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#### NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
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Subject:	Amendment No 3 to the 2017-2018 Action Programme of the African Peace Facility

1. On 25 June 2018, the Permanent Representatives Committee approved Amendment No 3 to the 2017-2018 Action Programme of the African Peace Facility (APF).
2. In line with Article 15(b) of Council Regulation (EU) 2015/322 of 2 March 2015 on the implementation of the 11th European Development Fund, Amendment No 3 to the Action Programme annexed to this note can now be adopted by the Commission.

**2017-2018 Action Programme of the African Peace Facility**

Amendment No. 3

(1) The first table is replaced by the following:

<b><u>‘INFORMATION FOR POTENTIAL GRANT APPLICANTS</u></b>	
<b><u>WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS</u></b>	
<p>This document constitutes the work programme for grants within the meaning of Article 128(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council, applicable to the European Development Fund (EDF) in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) No 323/2015 in the following sections concerning calls for proposals: section 5.4.1 “Grants – direct award (direct management)”.</p>	

<b>1. Title/basic act/ CRIS number</b>	2017-2018 action programme of the African Peace Facility (APF)  CRIS number: FED/2017/039-433	
<b>2. Zone benefiting from the action/location</b>	African continent	
<b>3. Programming document</b>	2017-2018 Action Programme of the African Peace Facility	
<b>4. Sector of concentration/ thematic area</b>	Peace and Security	DEV. Aid: <sup>1</sup> Yes (results 1 and 2)

<sup>1</sup> Official Development Aid is administered with the promotion of the economic development and welfare of developing countries as its main objective.

<b>5. Amounts concerned</b>	<p>Total estimated cost: EUR 561 356 616</p> <p>Total EDF contribution: EUR 560 773 116</p> <p>Contribution from the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg in support of the G5 Sahel Joint Force, as per Transfer Agreement ACP/FED/2017/39433/LU signed on 7 March 2018: EUR 583 500<sup>2</sup></p> <p>The APF is open to contributions from other donors and international partners that will be managed in line with the 11th EDF Implementation and Financial Regulations.</p>
<b>6. Aid modality(ies) and method(s) of implementation</b>	<p>Project Modality</p> <p>Direct Management (grants and procurement of services) with African Regional Economic Communities and services contractors</p> <p>Indirect management with the African Union Commission (AUC) and/or African Regional Economic Communities and Regional Mechanisms (RECs/RMs) having passed the pillar assessment.</p> <p>Indirect management with Expertise France</p> <p>Indirect management with the United Nations Secretariat and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</p>
<b>7 a) DAC code(s)</b>	15230
<b>b) Main Delivery Channel</b>	Multilateral Organisations - 40000

<sup>2</sup> Excluding a lump sum for administrative costs of EUR 16 500.’

8. Markers (from CRIS DAC form)	General policy objective	Not targeted	Significant objective	Main objective
	Participation development/good governance	<input type="checkbox"/>	x	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Aid to environment	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Gender equality (including Women In Development)	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Trade Development	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Reproductive, Maternal, New born and child health	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	RIO Convention markers	Not targeted	Significant objective	Main objective
	Biological diversity	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Combat desertification	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Climate change mitigation	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Climate change adaptation	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Global Public Goods and Challenges (GPGC) thematic flagships	N/A			
10. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	SDG 16: Promote just, peaceful and inclusive societies			

(2) Point 5.6 is replaced by the following:

## **‘5.6 Indicative budget**

The total EDF financial contribution for the period 2017-2018 is EUR 560 773 116.

Given the limited availability of EDF funds for the APF at the time of the approval of Decision C(2017) 2579 in April 2017, only EUR 430 000 000 were initially committed – EUR 220 000 000 from funds decommitted from projects under the 10<sup>th</sup> EDF, EUR 100 000 000 from the Intra-ACP envelope of the 11<sup>th</sup> EDF, and EUR 110 000 000 from the allocation for unforeseen needs of the 11<sup>th</sup> EDF regional programme for Eastern Africa, Southern Africa and the Indian Ocean.

With the second amending act, Decision C(2017) 5291, a further amount of EUR 105 000 000 from the 10<sup>th</sup> EDF decommitted funds (performance reserve) was allocated to the 2017-2018 Action Programme of the APF, mainly to cover expected additional financial requirements for Peace Support Operations in 2018 and requirements under the Early Response Mechanism.

With the third amending act, Decision C(2018) 1258, EUR 64 000 000 within the existing budget are reallocated to Result 3 to cover expected additional requirements for Peace Support Operations in 2018. EUR 44 000 000 are financed from Result 1 ("Implementation of the APSA Roadmap") and EUR 20 000 000 from Result 2 ('Early Response Mechanism').

A further amount of EUR 25 773 116 is allocated to the 2017-2018 Action Programme of the APF to cover expected additional requirements for Peace Support Operations in 2018. EUR 20 773 116 are financed from decommitted funds of the 2014-2016 Action Programme of the APF and EUR 5 000 000 from the 11<sup>th</sup> EDF West Africa Regional Indicative Programme.

The Commission has been entrusted with the responsibility of managing a contribution of EUR 600 000<sup>3</sup> from the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg in support of the G5 Sahel Joint Force, as per Transfer Agreement ACP/FED/2017/39433/LU signed on 7 March 2018, in accordance with the procedures applicable to the expenditure of the European Union, in particular the EDF.

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<sup>3</sup> Including EUR 16 500 lump sum for administrative costs.

The table below shows the indicative budget breakdown.

	<b>Total EDF contribution (amount in EUR)</b>	<b>Total estimated cost of the action (amount in EUR)</b>
<u>Result 1:</u> The APSA is implemented on the basis of the strategic priorities and objectives defined in the APSA roadmap 2016-2020	<b>13 000 000</b>	<b>13 000 000</b>
5.4.3 – PAGoDAs with the AUC (indirect management)	10 000 000	10 000 000
5.4.2 – Procurement in direct management – Joint Research Centre	1 000 000	1 000 000
5.4.2 – Procurement in direct management – Technical Assistance	2 000 000	2 000 000
<u>Result 2:</u> The AU and RECs/RMs are provided with the financial support needed to allow them to conduct preventive diplomacy initiatives and manage initial stages of conflicts in a timely manner.	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<u>Result 3:</u> African-led PSOs are provided with financial support required to manage conflict in an effective way.	<b>530 773 116</b>	<b>531 356 616<sup>4</sup></b>
5.4.3 – PAGoDAs with the AUC and RECs/RMs (indirect management)		
5.4.1 – Direct Grants to RECs/RMs		
5.4.4 – PAGoDAs with a Member State agency (indirect management)		
5.4.5 – PAGoDAs with an international organisation (indirect management)		
2.6. – Evaluation, 2.7. – Audit	<b>1 500 000</b>	<b>1 500 000</b>

<sup>4</sup> Including a contribution of EUR 583 500 (excl. lump sum for administrative cost of EUR 16 500) from the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg in support of the G5 Sahel Joint Force, as per Transfer Agreement ACP/FED/2017/39433/LU signed on 7 March 2018.

2.8. – Communication and Visibility	<b>500 000</b>	<b>500 000</b>
Contingencies	<b>15 000 000</b>	<b>15 000 000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>560 773 116</b>	<b>561 356 616<sup>5</sup></b>

The APF will continue to be open to additional voluntary contributions from European Union Member States and from other donors, managed in line with Regulation (EU) 2015/323 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund, to promote coherence and reduce transaction costs and administrative burden for the African partners.

Additional contributions to the Action Programme, each of which up to EUR 10 000 000 not exceeding 20 % of the maximum contribution of the European Union for the implementation of the programme shall not be considered substantial within the meaning of Article 94(4) of the Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012, applicable in accordance with Articles 2(1) and 26 of Regulation (EU) 2015/323, provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the actions. The use of contingencies shall be taken into account in this ceiling. In this regard, additional contributions will not be considered a specific change to the Action Programme to the effect of Article 15(b) of Regulation 2015/322 and therefore the authorising officer responsible may adopt such non-substantial changes in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.’

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<sup>5</sup> See footnote 4.