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# COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION

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#### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

#### 1. CONTEXT OF THE PROPOSAL

# Reasons for and objectives of the proposal

Regulation (EU) 2017/1939¹ implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO) was adopted on 12 October 2017 and entered into force on 20 November 2017. The EPPO assumed the investigative and prosecutorial tasks conferred on it by such Regulation on 1 June 2021. The EPPO is responsible for investigating, prosecuting and bringing to judgment the perpetrators of, and accomplices to, criminal offences affecting the Union's financial interests which are provided for in Directive (EU) 2017/1371² and determined by Regulation (EU) 2017/1939. In accordance with Article 8 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, the EPPO Central Office consists of, amongst others, the European Chief Prosecutor and the European Prosecutors.

Article 14 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 regulates the appointment and dismissal of the European Chief Prosecutor, who is appointed by common accord of the European Parliament and the Council. In accordance with Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, the selection is based on an open call for candidates, following which a selection panel draws up a shortlist of qualified candidates to be submitted to the European Parliament and the Council. Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 also provides that the Council is to establish the selection panel's operating rules on a proposal from the Commission.

On 13 July 2018, the Council adopted, upon proposal of the Commission, Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696 on the operating rules of the selection panel<sup>3</sup>, which were subsequently amended by Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1008<sup>4</sup> and Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/134<sup>5</sup>. On 17 January 2023, the Council appointed the members of the selection panel<sup>6</sup>.

On 14 October 2019, the European Parliament and the Council appointed the first European Chief Prosecutor of the EPPO<sup>7</sup>. In accordance with Article 14(1) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, the European Chief Prosecutor was appointed for a non-renewable period of seven

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Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO') OJ L 283, 31.10.2017, p. 1-71.

Directive (EU) 2017/1371 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2017 on the fight against fraud to the Union's financial interests by means of criminal law, OJ L 198, 28.7.2017, p. 29-41.

Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696 of 13 July 2018 on the operating rules of the selection panel provided for in Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO'), OJ L 282, 12.11.2018, p. 8–12.

Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1008 of 9 July 2020 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696 on the operating rules of the selection panel provided for in Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, OJ L 221, 10.7.2020, p. 1–2.

Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/134 of 17 January 2023 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696 as regards the use of videoconferencing for the hearing of candidates, OJ L 17, 19.1.2023, p. 92–93.

Council Decision (EU) 2023/133 of 17 January 2023 appointing the members of the selection panel provided for in Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, OJ L 17, 19.1.2023, p. 90–91.

Decision (EU) 2019/1798 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2019 appointing the European Chief Prosecutor of the European Public Prosecutor's Office, OJ L 274, 28.10.2019, p. 1–2.

years, starting as of 31 October 2019. The European Chief Prosecutor will therefore have to be replaced by October 2026.

In accordance with Rule III of the operating rules of the selection panel, the Commission is responsible for the selection panel's secretariat. The secretariat provides the administrative support necessary for the working of the selection panel, including the translation of documents. Rule V of the operating rules of the selection panel provides that, as soon as the applications for the position of the European Chief Prosecutor have been received, the selection panel's secretariat should send them to all the members of the selection panel.

In accordance with Rule VI.1, upon receipt of the candidates' applications, the selection panel should review such applications with regard to the requirements set out in Article 14(2) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, as further specified in the call, rank the candidates and hear a sufficient number of the highest ranked candidates with a view to establishing a shortlist of candidates. The secretariat should then transmit the shortlist of qualified candidates for the position of European Chief Prosecutor to the European Parliament and the Council.

Neither Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 nor the operating rules specify which authority is responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication of the open call for candidates for the position of European Chief Prosecutor. To this end, a clarification in Rule VI on the procedure for the appointment of the European Chief Prosecutor is appropriate.

Therefore, the aim of this proposal is to clarify that the Commission, which is responsible for the selection panel's secretariat, should also be responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication of the open call for candidates. It should be noted that the Commission prepared and published the first open call for the position of European Chief Prosecutor.

Given that the European Chief Prosecutor is appointed jointly by the European Parliament and the Council, the Commission should consult these two institutions, at the appropriate level, on the draft open call before its publication.

#### • Consistency with existing policy provisions in the policy area

The EPPO was established by means of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, which was adopted on the basis of Article 86 TFEU. By submitting this proposal for an amendment of Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696, as amended by Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1008 and Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/134, the Commission is complying with its obligations under Articles 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939. This proposal will enable to carry out the selection and appointment procedures of the European Chief Prosecutor in an efficient way and clarify the role of the Commission in such procedures, while respecting the prerogatives of the European Parliament and the Council. This proposal is therefore consistent with existing policy provisions in the policy area.

#### • Consistency with other Union policies

This initiative is consistent with other Union policies aimed at strengthening the protection of the Union's financial interests.

## 2. LEGAL BASIS, SUBSIDIARITY AND PROPORTIONALITY

#### Legal basis

The proposal is based on Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939.

#### • Subsidiarity (for non-exclusive competence)

The amendment of the operating rules of the selection panel provided for in Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 can only be done by the Council on a proposal from the Commission and is thus an exclusive competence by nature, which is not subject to the principle of subsidiarity.

#### Proportionality

This proposal is limited to what is necessary in order to attain the proposed objectives and is therefore compliant with the principle of proportionality. This proposal is essential in ensuring the effectiveness and legality of the nomination and appointment procedures of the European Chief Prosecutor.

#### Choice of the instrument

Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 provides that the Council is to establish the selection panel's operating rules on a proposal from the Commission. The operating rules were adopted by means of Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696. The choice of the proposed instrument is therefore required by the existing legislation on the matter.

# 3. RESULTS OF EX-POST EVALUATIONS, STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS AND IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

Given the technical nature of this proposal and its very limited impact, ex-post evaluations, stakeholder consultations and impact assessments were not carried out.

#### 4. BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

The proposal has no budgetary implications.

#### 5. OTHER ELEMENTS

#### • Implementation plans and monitoring, evaluation and reporting arrangements

Given the nature of this measure, there is no need for implementation plans and monitoring nor for evaluation and reporting arrangements.

### • Detailed explanation of the specific provisions of the proposal

Article 1 would amend the operating rules so as to clarify that the Commission is the institution responsible for drafting, adopting and publishing in the *Official Journal of the European Union* the open call for candidates for the position of European Chief Prosecutor, after consulting the European Parliament and the Council at the appropriate level. As the current operating rules do not specify which authority is responsible for this purpose, this amendment aims to clarify this important step of the selection and appointment procedure of the European Chief Prosecutor.

# Proposal for a

#### COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION

amending Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696 of 13 July 2018 on the operating rules of the selection panel provided for in Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO')

#### THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION.

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO')<sup>8</sup>, and in particular Article 14(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

#### Whereas:

- (1) Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696<sup>9</sup> established the operating rules of the selection panel for appointing the European Chief Prosecutor and the European Prosecutors.
- (2) While neither Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 nor Rule VI of the operating rules specify which authority is responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* of the open call for candidates for the position of European Chief Prosecutor, the Commission was responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication of the first open call for candidates, and provides the secretariat of the selection panel, which examines the applications.
- (3) It is therefore necessary to clarify that the Commission is responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication of the open call for candidates for the position of European Chief Prosecutor, after consulting the European Parliament and the Council at the appropriate level.
- (4) Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696 should therefore be amended accordingly,

#### HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

The Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1696 is amended as follows:

In Rule VI, the first paragraph is replaced by the following:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> OJ L 283, 31.10.2017, p. 1.

OJ L 282, 12.11.2018, p. 8.

'The Commission shall be responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication in the Official Journal of the European Union of the open call for candidates in accordance with Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939. The Commission shall consult the European Parliament and the Council on the draft call, before its adoption, at the appropriate level. Upon receipt of the candidates' applications, the selection panel shall review the applications with regard to the requirements set out in Article 14(2) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939, as further specified by the Commission in the open call for candidates. Candidates who do not meet the eligibility requirements shall be excluded from the next steps of the procedure. The selection panel shall rank candidates who fulfil the requirements according to their qualifications and experience, on the basis of the documentation and information provided in the application or produced following a request pursuant to Rule V. A sufficient number of the highest ranked candidates shall be heard by the selection panel to enable it to establish the shortlist referred to in Rule VII(1). The hearing shall take place in person or, upon a reasoned decision of the selection panel, either on its own initiative or at the request of the candidate, via videoconference. Before the selection panel decides on its own initiative to conduct a hearing via videoconference, it shall allow the candidate to state his or her views.'

#### Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council
The President

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#### 1. FRAMEWORK OF THE PROPOSAL/INITIATIVE

# 1.1. Title of the proposal/initiative

Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision amending Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1969 of 13 July 2018 on the operaing rules of the selection panel provided for in Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO')

#### 1.2. Policy area(s) concerned

Justice

#### 1.3. Objective(s)

#### 1.3.1. General objective(s)

The present proposal has as main objective to clarify the procedure for the selection and appointment of the European Chief Prosecutor. Specifically, it aims to clarify that the Commission, which is responsible for the selection panel's secretariat, will also be responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication of the open call for the candidates. This will provide legal clarity and as neither Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 nor the current operating rules specify which authority is responsible for this purpose.

#### 1.3.2. Specific objective(s)

To clarify that the Commission is responsible to draft, adopt and publish the open call for candidates for the position of European Chief Prosecutor.

#### 1.3.3. Expected result(s) and impact

Specify the effects which the proposal/initiative should have on the beneficiaries/groups targeted.

The Commission will be responsible for the drafting, the adoption and the publication of the open call for candidates for the position of European Chief Prosecutor.

# 1.3.4. Indicators of performance

*Specify the indicators for monitoring progress and achievements.* 

N/A

## 1.4. The proposal/initiative relates to:

■ a new action

| □ a new | action | following | a pilot | project / | preparatory a | ction <sup>10</sup> |
|---------|--------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|
| □ a new | action | Tomowing  | u piiot | project / | preparatory a | Ction               |

 $\Box$  the extension of an existing action

□ a merger or redirection of one or more actions towards another/a new action

# 1.5. Grounds for the proposal/initiative

1.5.1. Requirement(s) to be met in the short or long term including a detailed timeline for roll-out of the implementation of the initiative

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As referred to in Article 58(2), point (a) or (b) of the Financial Regulation.

1.5.2. Added value of EU involvement (it may result from different factors, e.g. coordination gains, legal certainty, greater effectiveness or complementarities). For the purposes of this section 'added value of EU involvement' is the value resulting from EU action, that is additional to the value that would have been otherwise created by Member States alone.

Reasons for action at EU level (ex-ante)

The amendment of the operating rules of the selection panel provided for in Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 can only be done by the Council on a proposal from the Commission and is thus an exclusive competence by nature, which is not subject to the principle of subsidiarity.

Expected generated EU added value (ex-post)

By clarifying the procedure, the Commission will be resposible to draft, adopt and publish the call for application for the position of European Chief Prosecutor.

1.5.3. Lessons learned from similar experiences in the past

N/A

1.5.4. Compatibility with the multiannual financial framework and possible synergies with other appropriate instruments

This proposal has no budgetary implications.

1.5.5. Assessment of the different available financing options, including scope for redeployment

This proposal has no budgetary implications.

| 1.6. | Duration of the proposal/initiative and of its financial impact  |
|------|--|
|      | ☐ limited duration   |
|      | <ul><li>— ☐ in effect from [DD/MM]YYYY to [DD/MM]YYYY</li></ul>  |
|      | <ul> <li>☐ financial impact from YYYY to YYYY for commitment appropriations and<br/>from YYYY to YYYY for payment appropriations.</li> </ul>   |
|      | □ unlimited duration   |
|      | <ul> <li>Implementation with a start-up period from YYYY to YYYY,</li> </ul>   |
|      | <ul> <li>followed by full-scale operation.</li> </ul>  |
| 1.7. | Method(s) of budget implementation planned <sup>11</sup>   |
|      | □ Direct management by the Commission  |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ by its departments, including by its staff in the Union delegations;     </li> </ul>   |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ by the executive agencies     </li> </ul>  |
|      | ☐ Shared management with the Member States   |
|      | ☐ <b>Indirect management</b> by entrusting budget implementation tasks to:   |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ third countries or the bodies they have designated     </li> </ul>   |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ international organisations and their agencies (to be specified)     </li> </ul>   |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ the European Investment Bank and the European Investment Fund     </li> </ul>  |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ bodies referred to in Articles 70 and 71 of the Financial Regulation     </li> </ul>   |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ public law bodies     </li> </ul>  |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ bodies governed by private law with a public service mission to the extent that they are provided with adequate financial guarantees     </li> </ul>   |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ bodies governed by the private law of a Member State that are entrusted with the implementation of a public-private partnership and that are provided with adequate financial guarantees     </li> </ul>   |
|      | <ul> <li>         — □ bodies or persons entrusted with the implementation of specific actions in the common foreign and security policy pursuant to Title V of the Treaty on European Union, and identified in the relevant basic act     </li> </ul>  |
|      | — □•bodies established in a Member State, governed by the private law of a Member State or Union law and eligible to be entrusted, in accordance with sector-specific rules, with the implementation of Union funds or budgetary guarantees, to the extent that such bodies are controlled by public law bodies or by bodies governed by private law with a public service mission, and are provided with adequate financial guarantees in the form of joint and several liability by the controlling bodies or equivalent financial guarantees and which may be, for each action, limited to the maximum amount of the Union support. |

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Details of budget implementation methods and references to the Financial Regulation may be found on the BUDGpedia site: <a href="https://myintracomm.ec.europa.eu/corp/budget/financial-rules/budget-implementation/Pages/implementation-methods.aspx">https://myintracomm.ec.europa.eu/corp/budget/financial-rules/budget-implementation/Pages/implementation-methods.aspx</a>.

#### 2. MANAGEMENT MEASURES

# 2.1. Monitoring and reporting rules

N/A

# 2.2. Management and control system(s)

2.2.1. Justification of the budget implementation method(s), the funding implementation mechanism(s), the payment modalities and the control strategy proposed

N/A

2.2.2. Information concerning the risks identified and the internal control system(s) set up to mitigate them

N/A

2.2.3. Estimation and justification of the cost-effectiveness of the controls (ratio between the control costs and the value of the related funds managed), and assessment of the expected levels of risk of error (at payment & at closure)

N/A

2.3. Measures to prevent fraud and irregularities

N/A

# 3. ESTIMATED FINANCIAL IMPACT OF THE PROPOSAL/INITIATIVE

# 3.1. Heading(s) of the multiannual financial framework and expenditure budget line(s) affected

• Existing budget lines

<u>In order</u> of multiannual financial framework headings and budget lines.

|   | Budget line | tribution                         |                                 |   |                                     |                           |
|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Heading of<br>multiannual<br>financial<br>framework | Number      | Diff./Non-<br>diff. <sup>12</sup> | from<br>EFTA<br>countries<br>13 | from candidate countries and potential candidates | From<br>other<br>third<br>countries | other assigned<br>revenue |
|   |             | Diff.                             | NO                              | NO  | NO                                  | NO                        |

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Diff. = Differentiated appropriations / Non-diff. = Non-differentiated appropriations.

EFTA: European Free Trade Association.

Candidate countries and, where applicable, potential candidates from the Western Balkans.

# 3.2. Estimated financial impact of the proposal on appropriations

- 3.2.1. Summary of estimated impact on operational appropriations
  - ♥ The proposal/initiative does not require the use of operational appropriations
  - □ The proposal/initiative requires the use of operational appropriations, as explained below
- 3.2.1.1. Appropriations from voted budget

EUR million (to three decimal places)

| Number |  |
|--------|--|
|--------|--|

| DG: <   | >                 |                  | Year            | Year              | Year  | Year  | TOTAL MFF |
|---|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| <b>D</b> 6  |                   |                  | 2024            | 2025              | 2026  | 2027  | 2021-2027 |
| Operational appropriations  |                   |                  |                 |                   |       |       |           |
| Dudget line   | Commitments       | (1a)             | 0.000           | 0.000             | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000     |
| Budget line   | Payments          | (2a)             | 0.000           | 0.000             | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000     |
| Appropriations of an administrative nature  | financed from the | e envelope of sp | ecific programn | nes <sup>15</sup> |       |       |           |
| Budget line   |                   | (3)              |                 |                   |       |       | 0.000     |
| TOTAL appropriations  | Commitments       | =1a+1b+3         | 0.000           | 0.000             | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000     |
| TOTAL appropriations  | Payments          | =2a+2b+3         | 0.000           | 0.000             | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000     |
|   |                   |                  | Year            | Year              | Year  | Year  | TOTAL MFF |
|   |                   |                  | 2024            | 2025              | 2026  | 2027  | 2021-2027 |
| TOTAL operational appropriations  | Commitments       | (4)              | 0.000           | 0.000             | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000     |
|   | Payments          | (5)              | 0.000           | 0.000             | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000     |
| TOTAL appropriations of an administrative from the envelope for specific programmes | (6)               | 0.000            | 0.000           | 0.000             | 0.000 | 0.000 |           |

Technical and/or administrative assistance and expenditure in support of the implementation of EU programmes and/or actions (former 'BA' lines), indirect research, direct research.

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| TOTAL appropriations under HEADING     | Commitments | =4+6 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
|--|-------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| of the multiannual financial framework | Payments    | =5+6 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |

# 3.2.2. Estimated output funded from operational appropriations (not to be completed for decentralised agencies)

Commitment appropriations in EUR million (to three decimal places)

| Indicate                             |                    |                     |    | Year<br>2024 |    | Year<br>1025 |                | ear<br>026 | Yea <b>202</b> |             |    |      |    | as necess<br>npact (see |    |      | TO          | <b>OTAL</b>   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----|--------------|----|--------------|----------------|------------|----------------|-------------|----|------|----|-------------------------|----|------|-------------|---------------|
| objectives and outputs               |                    |                     |    |              |    |              |                |            | OUTPU          | J <b>TS</b> |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |
| Ţ.                                   | Type <sup>16</sup> | Avera<br>ge<br>cost | No | Cost         | No | Cost         | N <sub>O</sub> | Cost       | No             | Cost        | No | Cost | No | Cost                    | No | Cost | Total<br>No | Total<br>cost |
| SPECIFIC OBJE                        | ECTIVE N           | To 1 <sup>17</sup>  |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      | I           |               |
| - Output                             |                    |                     |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |
| - Output                             |                    |                     |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |
| - Output                             |                    |                     |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |
| Subtotal for speci                   | fic object         | ive No 1            |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |
| SPECIFIC OBJ                         | ECTIVE 1           | No 2                |    | •            |    |              |                | •          |                |             | •  |      |    |                         |    |      | •           |               |
| - Output                             |                    |                     |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |
| Subtotal for specific objective No 2 |                    |                     |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |
| тот                                  | TALS               |                     |    |              |    |              |                |            |                |             |    |      |    |                         |    |      |             |               |

Outputs are products and services to be supplied (e.g. number of student exchanges financed, number of km of roads built, etc.).

As described in Section 1.3.2. 'Specific objective(s)'

#### 3.2.3. Summary of estimated impact on administrative appropriations

- — In the proposal/initiative does not require the use of appropriations of an administrative nature
- — □ The proposal/initiative requires the use of appropriations of an administrative nature, as explained below

#### 3.2.3.1. Appropriations from voted budget

| VOTED A DEPONDIA TIONS                        | Year  | Year  | Year  | Year  | TOTAL       |  |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|--|
| VOTED APPROPRIATIONS                          | 2024  | 2025  | 2026  | 2027  | 2021 - 2027 |  |
| HEADING 7                                     |       |       |       |       |             |  |
| Human resources                               | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000       |  |
| Other administrative expenditure              | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000       |  |
| Subtotal HEADING 7                            | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000       |  |
| Outside HEADING 7                             |       |       |       |       |             |  |
| Human resources                               | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000       |  |
| Other expenditure of an administrative nature | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000       |  |
| Subtotal outside HEADING 7                    | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000       |  |
|   |       |       |       |       |             |  |
| TOTAL   | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000       |  |

The appropriations required for human resources and other expenditure of an administrative nature will be met by appropriations from the DG that are already assigned to management of the action and/or have been redeployed within the DG, together, if necessary, with any additional allocation which may be granted to the managing DG under the annual allocation procedure and in the light of budgetary constraints.

# 3.2.4. Estimated requirements of human resources

- ☑ The proposal/initiative does not require the use of human resources
- ☐ The proposal/initiative requires the use of human resources, as explained below

# 3.2.4.1. Financed from voted budget

Estimate to be expressed in full-time equivalent units (FTEs)<sup>18</sup>

| VOTED APPROPRIATIONS   | Year | Year | Year | Year |  |  |  |
|--|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|
| VOTED APPROPRIATIONS   | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 |  |  |  |
| • Establishment plan posts (officials and temporary staff)         |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| 20 01 02 01 (Headquarters and Commission's Representation Offices) | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |
| 20 01 02 03 (EU Delegations)                                       | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |
| 01 01 01 01 (Indirect research)                                    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |
| 01 01 01 11 (Direct research)                                      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |
| Other budget lines (specify)                                       | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |
| • External staff (inFTEs)  |      |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| 20 02 01 (AC, END from the 'global envelope')                      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |
| 20 02 03 (AC, AL, END and JPD in the EU Delegations)               | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |  |  |  |

Please specify below the table how many FTEs within the number indicated are already assigned to the management of the action and/or can be redeployed within your DG and what are your net needs.

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| Admin. Support<br>line                    | - at Headquarters   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|---|---------------------|---|---|---|---|
| [XX.01.YY.YY]                             | - in EU Delegations | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 01 01 01 02 (AC, END - Indirect research) |                     |   | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 01 01 01 12 (AC, END - Direct research)   |                     |   | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other budget lines (specify) - Heading 7  |                     |   | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other budget lines                        | 0                   | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |
| TOTAL                                     | 0                   | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |

The staff required to implement the proposal (in FTEs):

|                                   | To be covered by<br>current staff<br>available in the<br>Commission<br>services | Exceptional additional staff*                    |                             |                          |  |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
|                                   |   | To be financed<br>under Heading 7<br>or Research | To be financed from BA line | To be financed from fees |  |
| Establishment plan posts          |   |  | N/A                         |                          |  |
| External staff<br>(CA, SNEs, INT) |   |  |                             |                          |  |

Description of tasks to be carried out by:

| Officials and temporary staff |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| External staff                |  |

3.2.5. Overview of estimated impact on digital technology-related investments

| TOTAL Digital and IT appropriations             | Year <b>2024</b>  | Year <b>2025</b> | Year <b>2026</b> | Year <b>2027</b> | TOTAL<br>MFF<br>2021 -<br>2027 |  |  |
|---|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| HEADING 7                                       |                   |                  |                  |                  |                                |  |  |
| IT expenditure (corporate)                      | 0.000             | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000                          |  |  |
| Subtotal HEADING 7                              | 0.000             | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000                          |  |  |
| Outside HEADING 7                               | Outside HEADING 7 |                  |                  |                  |                                |  |  |
| Policy IT expenditure on operational programmes | 0.000             | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000                          |  |  |
| Subtotal outside HEADING 7                      | 0.000             | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000                          |  |  |
|   |                   |                  |                  |                  |                                |  |  |
| TOTAL   | 0.000             | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000            | 0.000                          |  |  |

3.2.6. Compatibility with the current multiannual financial framework

The proposal/initiative:

|                 |   | -                         | financed through   |  | ment within                    | the relevant                 | heading of the     |  |  |
|-----------------|---|---------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|
|                 | N/A   | N/A                       |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | <ul> <li>         — □ requires use of the unallocated margin under the relevant heading of the MFF and/or use of the special instruments as defined in the MFF Regulation     </li> </ul> |                           |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | N/A   |                           |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | <ul><li>− □ requi</li></ul>   | res a rev                 | vision of the M  | sion of the MFF  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | N/A   |                           |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
| 3.2.7.          | Third-party   | Third-party contributions |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | The propos  | al/initiat                | tive:  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | <ul><li></li></ul>  | not prov                  | vide for co-fina   | ncing by thi   | ird parties                    |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | <ul><li>□ provi</li></ul>   | ides for t                | the co-financin  | g by third p   | arties estima                  | ted below:                   |                    |  |  |
|                 |   |                           |  | Appropr  | iations in EUR                 | million (to thre             | ee decimal places) |  |  |
|                 |   |                           | Year <b>2024</b>   | Year <b>2025</b>   | Year <b>2026</b>               | Year <b>2027</b>             | Total              |  |  |
| Specify         | y the co-financi  | ng body                   |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
| TOTA            | L appropriation   | s co-                     |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
| 3.3.            | •   | proposal                  | /initiative has i  |  | -                              |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | – ⊔ Inej  | proposai                  | /initiative has t  |  | g financial if                 | npact:                       |                    |  |  |
|                 | _   |                           | on own resou   |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 | _   |                           | please indica  |  | zenne is assid                 | aned to expe                 | nditure lines      |  |  |
|                 |   | ш                         | prease marea   | iie, ii iiie ie i  |                                | -                            | ee decimal places) |  |  |
| 4.              | DIGITAL   | DIMEN                     | NSIONS   |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
| 4.1.            | Requireme   | ents of d                 | ligital relevan  | ce   |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
| panel<br>applic | to clarify tha<br>cations for th  | t the Co<br>e position    | ited to a targete<br>mmission shou<br>on of Europea<br>eted amendmer | ald be responded to the control of t | nsible for the osecutor in the | publication<br>he Official . | of the call for    |  |  |
| 4.2.            | Data  |                           |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
| N/A             |   |                           |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |
|                 |   |                           |  |  |                                |                              |                    |  |  |

# 4.3. Digital solutions N/A 4.4. Interoperability assessment N/A 4.5. Measures to support digital implementation N/A