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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 2006 laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI)¹, and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has adopted the ENPI East Regional Strategy Paper and Indicative Programme for the period 2010-2013², chapter 6 of which provides for the following priorities: democracy, good governance and stability; economic development (including, inter alia, transport); climate change, energy and environment; and advancing integration with the EU and promoting regional cooperation.
- (2) The objectives pursued by the Action Programme 2012 part III, as set out in the attached annexes, are to address challenges in area of youth in Eastern Neighbourhood countries
- (3) The present Decision constitutes a Financing Decision within the meaning of Article 75 of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget³ (hereafter 'the Financial Regulation') and Article 90 of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23 December 2002 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget⁴ (hereafter 'the Implementing Rules').
- (4) The maximum contribution of the European Union set by the present Decision should cover any possible claims for interest due for late payment on the basis of Articles 83 of the Financial Regulation and 106(5) of its Implementing Rules.
- (5) The Commission is required to define the term "substantial change" in the meaning of Article 90 (4) of the Implementing Rules to ensure that any substantial change in this Decision shall follow the same procedure as the initial Decision.
- (6) The Commission has ensured that the management system set up by the entities to which the Commission will entrust implementation of EU funds for the action "Eastern Partnership Youth Window" comply with the conditions for the delegation of tasks under indirect centralised management, as provided for in Articles 56(1) of the Financial Regulation and article 35 of its Implementing Rules with regard to the actions implemented under indirect centralised management.

¹ OJ L 310, 9.11.2006, p. 1.

² C(2010)1144

³ OJ L 248 of 16.09.2002 p. 1.

⁴ OJ L 357 of 31.12 2002, p.1.

(7) The measure provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the ENPI Committee set up under Article 26 of Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

ENPI East Regional Action Programme 2012 part III in favour of Eastern Neighbourhood countries, the text of which is set out in the attached annex, is approved.

Article 2

The maximum contribution of the European Union to this programme is set at EUR 29 million to be financed from budget line 19 08 01 03 of the general budget of the European Union.

This amount includes EUR 14 million from the budget of 2012 and EUR 15 million from the budget of 2013 subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the draft budget for 2013 after the adoption of the budget for 2013 by the budgetary authority or provided for in the provisional twelfths for the Eastern Partnership Youth Window.

This maximum contribution shall also cover any possible interests due for late payment.

Article 3

Cumulated changes of the allocations to the specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution of the European Union shall not be considered substantial, provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the Action Programme. This may include an increase of the maximum contribution of the European Union up to 20%.

The relevant authorising officer may amend the present Decision to introduce non-substantial changes to the Action Programme in accordance with the principles of sound financial management.

Article 4

The management system set up by the entities to which the Commission will entrust implementation of EU funds for action "Eastern Partnership Youth Window" comply with the conditions for the delegation of tasks under indirect centralised management.

The implementing bodies will be (i) Youth in Action National Agencies of EU Member States, Croatia, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway and Turkey, and (ii) the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA). EACEA is a public body created by the Decision 2005/56/EC of the European Commission adopted on 14 January 2005.

The financial implementation of tasks related to this action can thus be entrusted to these entities.

Done at Brussels, 27.11.2012

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

ANNEX

Eastern Partnership Youth Window