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ANNEX

of the Commission Implementing Decision on the financing of a support measure in favour of the Syria crisis response for 2022-2023

Action Document

MULTIANNUAL MEASURE

This document constitutes the multiannual work programme in the sense of Article 110(2) of the Financial Regulation, and action plan/measure in the sense of Article 24 of NDICI-Global Europe Regulation.

1. SYNOPSIS

1.1. Action Summary Table

1. Title	Support measure in favour of the Syria crisis response for 2022-2023			
CRIS/OPSYS	Multiannual measure			
Basic Act	OPSYS business reference: ACT-61562			
	ABAC Commitment level 1 number: JAD.1082469			
	Financed under the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument (NDICI-Global Europe)			
2. Team Europe Initiative	No			
3. Zone benefiting from the action	The measure shall benefit the Syrian people and neighbouring countries hosting refugees from Syria (Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Egypt and Iraq) to help them address their needs. The measure shall be exceptionally extended to Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Egypt and Iraq as approximately 5.6 million Syrian refugees are currently hosted in neighbouring countries and they therefore play a crucial role in the Brussels conferences through their active participation in the related events.			
4. Programming document	N/A			
5. Link with relevant MIP(s) objectives/expected results	N/A			
	PRIORITY AREAS AND SECTOR INFORMATION			
6. Priority Area(s), sectors	43010 Multisector aid			

7. Sustainable Development Goals	Main SDG (1 only): 17			
(SDGs)	Other significant SDGs (up to 9) and where appropriate, targets:			
8 a) DAC code(s) ¹	15125 – Public procurement			
8 b) Main Delivery Channel @	61000 Private sector			
9. Targets	 Migration Climate Social inclusion and Human Development Gender Biodiversity Human Rights, Democracy and Governance 			
10. Markers ² (from DAC form)	General policy objective @	Not targeted	Significant objective	Principal objective
	Participation development/good governance			
	Aid to environment @	\boxtimes		
	Gender equality and women's and girl's empowerment			
	Trade development	\boxtimes		
	Reproductive, maternal, new- born and child health	\boxtimes		
	Disaster Risk Reduction @	\boxtimes		
	Inclusion of persons with Disabilities			
	Nutrition @	\boxtimes		
	RIO Convention markers @	Not targeted	Significant objective	Principal objective
	Biological diversity @	\boxtimes		
	Combat desertification @	\boxtimes		
	Climate change mitigation @	\boxtimes		
	Climate change adaptation @	\boxtimes		
11. Internal markers ³	Policy objectives	Not targeted	Significant objective	Principal objective

¹ DAC sectors (codes and descriptions) are indicated in the first and fourth columns of the tab 'purpose codes' in the following document: <u>http://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-financestandards/dacandcrscodelists.htm</u>

² For guidance, see <u>https://www.oecd.org/development/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/</u> (go to "Data collection and resources for reporters", select Addendum 2, annexes 18 (policy) and 19 (Rio) of the reporting directive).

If an action is marked in the DAC form as contributing to one of the general policy objectives or to RIO principles as a principal objective or a significant objective, then this should be reflected in the logframe matrix (in the results chain and/or indicators).

³ These markers have a different scope/rationale than the DAC codes. They are drawn from the level of budget allocation and emphasis given to the action in terms main objective(s) selected. This section should be in lie with the definition of objectives, results, activities in description of the action.

	Digitalisation @	\boxtimes		
	Tags: digital connectivity			
	digital governance			
	digital entrepreneurship			
	job creation			
	digital skills/literacy			
	digital services			
	Connectivity @	\boxtimes		
	Tags: transport			
	people2people			
	energy			
	digital connectivity			
	Migration @	\boxtimes		
	Reduction of Inequalities	\boxtimes		
	COVID-19	\boxtimes		
BUDGET INFORMATION				
12. Amounts concerned	Budget line: 14.200405-C1-NEAR			
concerneu	Total estimated cost: EUR 1 000 000			
	Total amount of EU budget contrib	oution: EUR 1 00	000 000	
	The contribution is for an amount of EUR 442 379 from the general budget of the European Union for 2022 and for an amount of EUR 558 101 from the general budget of the European Union for 2023, subject to the availability of appropriations for the respective financial year following the adoption of the relevant annual budget, or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths ⁴ .			
MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION				
13. Implementation	Project Modality			
modalities (type of	Direct management through:			
financing and management mode)	- Procurement			

1.2. Summary of the Action

The action is a support measure giving the European Commission the possibility to finance measures and activities that are needed for the achievement of the Union's political and financial commitment to support the Syrian people and countries in Syria's neighbourhood affected by the crisis. The support measure will finance administrative, technical and logistical support associated with the preparation, consultation, coordination, follow-up, communication and other activities necessary for the successful organisation of the Brussels conferences and related processes.

⁴ The EU budget contribution includes a contribution of EUR 200 000 in commitment and payment appropriations within the prerogative line 14 20 04 05 from the FMC ECHO to FMC NEAR in view of financing DG ECHO's contribution to the organisation of the 2023 Syria conference.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTION

2.1. Objectives and Expected Outputs

The Overall Objective of this action is to contribute to the achievement of the Union's political and financial commitments to support the Syrian people and neighbouring countries affected by the Syria crisis.

The Specific Objective (Outcome) of this action is to allow a successful preparation and organisation of the Brussels conferences and related events and processes. Those conferences, held annually, are the main pledging event for Syria. They aim to mobilise the international community in support of the Syrian population in Syria and the region. They also offer a unique platform for the international community to engage with the civil society from inside Syria, the region and beyond.

The Outputs to be delivered by this action contributing to Outcome 1 (Specific Objective 1) include: number of Brussels conferences, civil society consultations and Days of Dialogue.

2.2. Indicative Activities

Activities include, *inter alia* administrative, technical and logistical support for the organisation of the Brussels conferences and other events, and supporting activities such as consultation processes, awareness raising campaign, communication products, organisation of meetings and specific events.

2.3. Mainstreaming

Throughout the implementation of this Action, aspects of environmental protection, human rights, democracy and gender equality will be mainstreamed and, by nature of the objective, it will address people living in vulnerable and marginalised situations, promote resilience, conflict prevention and peace.

2.4. Risks and Lessons Learned

Category	Risks	Likelihood (High/ Medium/ Low)	Impact (High/ Medium/ Low)	Mitigating measures
	Previous announcement of the conference have been late, impacting on the Commission's ensuring availability of funds.	High	high	Through this Decision, the Commission will ensure availability of funds for the organisation ahead of the date setting and thus avoid the time pressure of previous years.
	FWC not available	Low	low	With funds available, the Commission will immediately proceed with a Request for Service after the announcement of the Brussels Conferences.

Lessons Learned:

Brussels Conferences on Supporting the future of Syria and the region have been organised since 2017, funded and organised under contracts managed by the Commission. Based on experience from previous years, , this work

programme is proposed to allow the EU to plan, prepare and implement activities well in advance, to ensure a smooth and well planned process to ensure a successful organisation of the Brussels conferences.

2.5. Intervention Logic

The underlying intervention logic for this action is that the European Commission will have preparedness for the organisation of the Brussels conferences in 2023 and 2024, and related processes and events.

3. IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

3.1. Indicative Implementation Period

The indicative operational implementation period of this action, during which the activities described in section 2 will be carried out and the corresponding contracts and agreements implemented, is 36 months from the date of adoption by the Commission of this financing Decision.

Extensions of the implementation period may be agreed by the Commission's responsible authorising officer by amending this financing Decision and the relevant contracts and agreements.

3.2. Implementation modalities: Direct Management (Procurement)

All measures will be implemented under **direct management** of **procurement contracts** by the Commission in accordance with article 62(1)(a) of the Financial Regulation. Procurement shall follow the provisions of Part One, Title VII Chapter 3 of the Financial Regulation.

Where appropriate, the Commission will make use of **existing Framework Contracts** concluded by other Directorates-General of the Commission, following Part One of the Financial Regulation.

3.3. Indicative Budget

	EU contribution (amount in EUR) 2022	EU contribution (amount in EUR) 2023	EU contribution (amount in EUR) Total
Procurement (direct management)	442 379	558 101	1 000 000
Totals	442 379	558 101	1 000 000

3.4. Organisational Set-up and Responsibilities

The European Commission is the contracting authority. Unit NEAR B.1 is in charge of the day to day management of the work programme.

3.5. Audit and Verifications

Without prejudice to the obligations applicable to contracts concluded for the implementation of this action, the Commission may, on the basis of a risk assessment, contract independent audit or verification assignments for one or several contracts or agreements.