Decision n° 3 of the Head of Administration and Finance

Subject: Interpretation of Article II.18 of the Clean Sky grant agreements on calculation of the JU contribution

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**Background:**

The Clean Sky JU implements two different types of Grant agreements (GA), namely the GA for Members (GAMs) and GA for Partners (GAPs).

The Executive team of the JU has the responsibility to validate the eligible costs in each project and to accurately calculate the JU contribution due to the beneficiaries of the projects.

Annex II.18 of both GAs deals with the calculation of the JU contribution.

For the GAM, the text of the Annex II.18 is:

The *JU financial contribution* cannot give rise to any profit for any *beneficiary*. For this purpose, at the time of the submission of the financial statement, the final amount of the *JU financial contribution* will take into account any *receipts* of the project received by each *beneficiary*. For each *beneficiary*, the *JU financial contribution* cannot exceed 50% of the eligible costs minus the *receipts* for the project.

For the GAP, the text of the Annex II.18 is:

3. The *JU financial contribution* cannot give rise to any profit for any *beneficiary*. For this purpose, at the time of the submission of the last financial statement, the final amount of the *JU financial contribution* will take into account any *receipts* of the project received by each *beneficiary*. For each *beneficiary*, the *JU financial contribution* cannot exceed the eligible costs minus the *receipts* for the project.
**Interpretation:**

Clean Sky JU shall use the following interpretation and method of calculation to implement the provisions of the GAs relating to Annex II.18.

The JU will calculate on an annual basis:

\[ A = \text{eligible costs of the project} \]
\[ B = \text{receipts declared by the beneficiary of the project} \]
\[ D = \% \text{ rate of funding applicable to the beneficiary} \]

The formula to use to arrive at the calculation of the JU contribution shall be:

\[ A - B = C \]
\[ C \times D = \text{maximum JU contribution for that reporting period of the project} \]

This shall be applicable for both types of Grant agreement. Beneficiaries shall be informed of this decision and shall be requested to declare at the end of each reporting period their receipts of the project to the JU.

For the specific case of the GAMs, the JU shall accept the declaration of receipts for the years 2008-2012 at the time of reporting for the 2013 annual financial report.

If the beneficiary has no receipts for the project, it shall declare ‘0’ in the appropriate place and shall accept that this financial report will be subject to a possible ex-post audit by the JU at a later stage.

This decision shall apply from 24 May 2013.

Done in Brussels, on 24 May 2013,

\[ \text{[Signature]} \]

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