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ANNEX 3

ANNEX

to the

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION

**amending the Commission implementing decision C(2022) 724 as regards the
implementation of actions under the Single Market Programme**

ANNEX III

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| AMENDMENT OF THE ACTIONS UNDER THE ACTIVITY ‘FOOD CHAIN’ |
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Annex III to Implementing Decision C(2022) 724 is amended as follows:

- (a) Section ‘I. Introduction’ is amended as follows
 a. the table (under point 4) is replaced by:

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| Actions | Indicative amount for 2022 | Indicative amount for 2023 | Indicative amount for 2024 | Indicative amount for 2025 | Indicative amount for 2026 | Indicative amount for 2027 |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Grants | 186 750 000 | 8 050 000 | 8 050 000 | 4 050 000 | 4 050 000 | 4 050 000 |
| Procurements | 34 344 000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Indirect management | 4 100 000 | 800 000 | - | - | - | - |
| Other actions | 620 000 | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 225 814 000 | 8 850 000 | 8 050 000 | 4 050 000 | 4 050 000 | 4 050 000 |

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- (b) Section ‘2. Grants’ is amended as follows:

- a. “The global budgetary envelope reserved for grants under this work programme is EUR 177 050 000 for the year 2022” is replaced by “The global budgetary envelope reserved for grants under this work programme is EUR 186 750 000 for the year 2022”.
- b. The list of grants for 2022 is replaced by :

| Action | Indicative date of launch | Indicative amount for 2022 (in EUR) |
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| Coordinated Control Plan for Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) monitoring in commensal and zoonotic agents on samples of food and food-producing animals. | 1 st semester 2022 | 3 000 000 |
| Implementation of the collection and reporting of data on sales and use of antimicrobials in animals. | 1 st semester 2022 | 6 750 000 |
| Activities of the EU reference laboratories and EU reference centres for 2022. | 1 st semester 2022 | 21 000 000 |

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| Implementation of veterinary programmes for animal diseases and zoonoses for 2022. | 1 st semester 2022 | 107 000 000 |
| Implementation of Phytosanitary programmes for 2022. | 1 st semester 2022 | 20 000 000 |
| Implementation of Emergency measures to combat certain animal diseases and plant pests for 2022 | 1 st semester 2022 | 19 000 000 |
| Contributing to more sustainable and circular food production systems by boosting Member States' capacities to evaluate and remove from the market unsafe pesticides and biocides | 2 nd Semester 2022 | 10 000 000 |
| | Total | 186 750 000 |

(c) The entire subsection '2.3. EU support to the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) for organising the first International Plant Health Conference' is deleted.

(d) The following subsection is added to section 2 'Grants' :

“2.8. Contributing to more sustainable and circular food production systems by boosting Member States' capacities to evaluate and remove from the market unsafe pesticides and biocides

2.8.1. Type of applicants targeted by the direct award

Grants shall be awarded to Member States on the basis of Article 10(1)(g)(i) of the Single Market Programme Regulation and without a call for proposals as foreseen in Article 195(d) of the Financial Regulation.

2.8.2. Legal basis

Regulation (EU) 2021/690 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 April (Single Market Programme), and in particular Annex I thereof.

2.8.3. Budget line

03.0206

2.8.4. Description of the action

The aim of the action is to provide financial assistance to Member State authorities in order to reduce systematic delays in their expected deliverables as competent authorities to complete their tasks under Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 on Plant Protection Products and/or Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 on Biocidal Products, such as the assessment of application dossiers for approval or renewal of approval of active substances, or of applications related to the authorisation of products. At the same time, it is intended to build expertise / scientific capacity in new areas relevant for implementing the objectives of the Farm to Fork Strategy and the Circular Economy Action Plan, and to achieve structural improvements in Member States capacities for the medium and long term.

2.8.5. Objective

To eliminate delays and/or lack of expertise (if relevant, in some prioritised areas) in the assessment procedures under Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 on Plant Protection Products and/or Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 on Biocidal Products. At the same time, where relevant, to build adequate capacity in the Member States and in accordance with the recommendations in the report on the REFIT evaluation of the pesticides legislation¹ and in accordance with the findings of the Implementation Report of Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 to the European Parliament and the Council², and to ensure that Member States review the fees they charge setting them at a level fully recovering their costs and ensure that the fees benefit the authorities conducting the evaluation work (ring-fencing), in view of having the required resources available in the future.

2.8.6. Expected results

Increased capacity in the Member States authorities dealing with their tasks under Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 on Plant Protection Products and/or Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 on Biocidal Products.

This will reduce delays and contribute to timely assessment of the dossiers under both Regulations, and, in the mid- and long term, achieve structural improvements in Member States' capacities to establish an improved, more efficient system of assessment of the dossiers.

2.8.7. Implementation

Implemented by Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA)

2.8.8. EU co-financing rate

A total of 50% of the eligible costs of additional experts that will be recruited by the Member States authority in addition to the already employed staff, except for Member States whose gross national income per inhabitant based on the latest Eurostat data is less than 90% of the Union average, for which the EU co-financing rate shall be 75% of the eligible costs in accordance with article 12(5)(a) of the Single Market Programme Regulation.

Member States are expected to make an analysis of their capacities to carry out their tasks (e.g. SWOT) covering both, Plant Protection Products and Biocidal Products as a basis for their proposals.

2.8.9. Award criteria

Relevance of the proposal to the objectives of the action, quality and impact.”

(e) section ‘3. Procurement’ is amended as follows:

- a. “The overall budgetary envelope reserved for procurement activities in 2022 is EUR 44 344 000” is replaced by “The overall budgetary envelope reserved for procurement activities in 2022 is EUR 34 344 000.”

(f) Section ‘4. Actions implemented under indirect management’ is amended as follows:

¹ https://ec.europa.eu/food/plants/pesticides/refit_en

² <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:52021DC0287&from=EN>

- a. “the global budgetary envelope for actions implemented under indirect management is respectively EUR 3 800 000 for 2022, and EUR 800 000 for 2023” is replaced by “The global budgetary envelope for actions implemented under indirect management is respectively EUR 4 100 000 for 2022, and EUR 800 000 for 2023.”

(g) The following subsection is added to section ‘4. Actions implemented under indirect management’:

“4.4. EU support to the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) for organising the first International Plant Health Conference

4.4.1. Implementing entity

The action is implemented by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) via a contribution agreement on the basis of Article 62(1)(c)(ii). The FAO is the only organisation combining competence in the relevant area with political commitment through its large number of member countries hence guaranteeing the highest impact.

4.4.2. Description of the action

The aim of the action is to support the organisation of the International Plant Health Conference. The scope of the conference would be wide, covering the entire spectrum of plant health, and would be oriented towards attaining the United Nations (‘UN’) Sustainable Development Goals. This would help maximise public attention and mainstream plant health policies into UN discussions.

Objective

The objective of the conference is to provide for the first time a forum to discuss global scientific, technical and regulatory plant health issues in a conference setting and at the same time advocate plant health to the media and general public.

Expected results

The expected results are to generate and disseminate current scientific and technical information about plant health issues. The conference proceedings are intended to be published electronically and selected papers in book format.

Parts of the conference would be widely used by generating a list of “recommendations” which then could form the basis of a paper on how to proceed after the International Plant Health Year has been completed. Recommendations of this conference may be incorporated into the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM) work programme in coming years as well as being translated into political decisions for future CPM/FAO Conference decisions.

The side-event workshop on the new EU Plant Health Regulation will clarify challenges and opportunities related to the new rules and will contribute to foster the ongoing cooperation with the main EU trade partners.

Budget: EUR 300 000 for 2022”