

## ANNEX I

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Rome November 20, 2023

Paolo Gentiloni  
Commissioner for Economy  
European Commission

**Subject: Letter of November 20, 2023 on the agreement to the modification of the Operational Arrangements between the European Commission and Italy**

Dear Commissioner Gentiloni,

Article 20(6) of Regulation (EU) 241/2021 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 February 2021, establishing the Recovery and Resilience Facility<sup>1</sup> (the “RRF Regulation”) establishes that the Commission and Italy should enter into Operational Arrangements to further specify the elements mentioned in the Council Implementing Decision of 13 July 2021 on the approval of the assessment of the recovery and resilience plan for Italy (ST 10160/21; ST 10160/21 ADD 1 REV 2), (the “**Council Implementing Decision**”).

On 22 December 2021, the Operational Arrangements between the Commission and Italy (the “Parties”) entered into force. According to Clause 4 of those Operational Arrangements, the Parties may modify the Operational Arrangements by mutual consent through an exchange of letters.

In accordance with Article 20(1) of the RRF Regulation, on 11 July 2023, Italy submitted a modified national RRP. Following the submission of the modified RRP by Italy, the Commission has proposed its positive assessment to the Council. The Council approved the positive assessment by means of the Council Implementing Decision of 19 September 2023<sup>2</sup>. Following the entry into force of this Council Implementing Decision, the Parties should amend the Operational Arrangements to further specify the elements mentioned therein.

For this purpose, on 20 November 2023, Italy and the Commission services agreed to the modifications to the Operational Arrangements as set out in the Annex to this letter, which take into account the amending Council Implementing Decision. On this basis, Italy hereby requests the Commission to formalise its agreement by replying in writing to this letter. For the purpose of

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<sup>(1)</sup> Regulation (EU) 2021/241 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 February 2021 establishing the Recovery and Resilience Facility, OJ L 057 18.2.2021, p. 17.

<sup>2</sup> ST12259/23; ST 12259/23 ADD 1.

identifying the changes, a courtesy version containing track changes to the modified Operational Arrangements has been attached to this letter.

In accordance with Article 24(2) and (3) of the RRF Regulation, the modification to the Operational Arrangements is to be agreed by Italy and the Commission before the preliminary assessment of the fourth request for payment. The modification shall enter into force on the date on which European Commission communicates its written agreement.

Yours sincerely,

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## ANNEX II

### Recovery and Resilience Facility

#### First modification to the

#### Operational arrangements between the European Commission and Italy

The modification to the Operational Arrangements shall enter into force on the date of receipt of the European Commission's agreement in writing.

This modification to the Operational Arrangements is made by and between

the European Union, represented by the European Commission,

hereinafter referred to as "**the Commission**"

and

**Italy**, represented by the Minister of European Affairs, Southern Italy, Cohesion Policy and the NRRP,

Hereinafter referred to as "**the Member State**",

hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Parties" and each of them a "Party"

The Parties have agreed the following:

Operational Arrangements of 22 December 2021 between the European Commission and Italy are modified as follows:

(1) In Section 1: Arrangements and timetable for monitoring and implementation and the relevant indicators relating to the fulfilment of the envisaged milestones and targets:

(a) Clause 1.2. is replaced by the following:

‘Italy designates the mission structure established at the Presidency of the Council of Ministers as the Coordinator (the “**Coordinator**”) to act as the interlocutor of the Commission for the overall implementation of the RRP and of these Operational Arrangements. The Coordinator is responsible at national level for coordinating and monitoring the effective implementation of the measures envisaged and the achievement of the objectives set in the RRP.’

(2) In Section 3: Timeline for payment requests

(a) The table for Financial Contribution is amended as follows:

(i) In the row for the Payment Request for the Fourth Instalment, ‘EUR 2 298 850 575’ is replaced by ‘EUR 2 315 646 882’.

(b) The table for Loan is amended as follows:

(i) In the row for the Payment Request for the Third Instalment, ‘EUR 10 344 827 586’ is replaced by ‘EUR 9 825 328 389’;

(ii) In the row for the Payment Request for the Fourth Instalment, ‘EUR 16 091 954 023’ is replaced by ‘EUR 16 611 453 220’.

(a) Annex I: Milestones, Targets and Related Indicators is amended as follows:

(i) In Non-Repayable Support, row M2C2-16, is replaced by the following:

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M2C2-16	Investment 3.4 Hydrogen testing for railway mobility	Milestone	Allocation of resources for hydrogen testing for railway mobility	Notification of the allocation of resources	N/A	N/A	N/A	Q1	2023	MIT	Summary document duly justifying how the milestone (including all the constitutive elements) was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence:  a) proof of the notification of the allocation of resources.	Allocation of resources according to the procedures and criteria established to build ten refuelling stations for railway based on hydrogen along six railway lines.

(ii) In Non-Repayable Support, row M2C2-27, is replaced by the following:

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M2C2-27	Investment 4.3 Installation of charging infrastructures	Milestone	Award of all public contracts for the installation of charging infrastructures M1	Notification of the award of all the public contracts for the installation of charging infrastructures	N/A	N/A	N/A	Q2	2023	Ministry of Ecological Transition Ministry of the Economy Ministry of sustainable infrastructure and mobility	Summary document duly justifying how the milestone (including all the constitutive elements) was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence: a) copy of the notification of funding admission decree of the project  b) extract of the relevant parts of the technical specifications of the project proving alignment with the CID's description of the investment and milestone	Notification of the award of all public contracts to build at least 4700 re-charging stations urban areas (all municipalities)  The project may also include pilot re-charging stations aimed at storing energy

(iii) In Non-Repayable Support, row M2C3-2, is replaced by the following:

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M2C3-2	Investment 2.1- Strengthening of the Ecobonus and Sismabonus for energy efficiency and building safety	Target	Building renovation Superbonus and Sismabonus T1	N/A	Number	0	17000000	Q2	2023	Ministry of Environment and Energy Security	The energy efficiency certificate referred is the Energy Performance Certification in line with the Decree 63/2013	Explanatory document duly justifying how the target was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence:  a) List of certificates of completion issued in accordance with the national legislation with square meters per building renovation;  b) report by an independent engineer endorsed by the relevant ministry,	Complete building renovation for, at least 17 000 000 square meters which result in primary energy savings of at least 40% and increasing at least two categories in the energy efficiency certificate.

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												including justification that the technical specifications of the project(s) are aligned with the CID's description of the investment and target;  c) specific assessment of the Do No Significant Harm Principle, including references to the concrete texts that prove compliance with this principle	



(iv) In Non-Repayable Support, row M4C1-9, is replaced by the following:

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M4C1-9	Investment 1.1: Plan for nurseries and preschools and early childhood education and care services	Milestone	Award of contracts for building, renovating and ensuring the safety of nurseries, preschools and early childhood education and care services	Notification by the local authorities beneficiaries of the financing of the award of all public contracts for the first set of eligible interventions	N/A	N/A	N/A	Q2	2023	Ministry of Education, Municipalities, Family department	Summary document duly justifying how the milestone (including all the constitutive elements) was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence:  a) copy of contract award notification;  b) notification by local authorities to final beneficiaries  c) extract of the relevant parts of the calls, awarding decrees, or additional potential relevant documents	Award of contract and territorial distribution, for the nursery, preschool, early childhood education and care services. The award shall be done in compliance with the “Do no significant harm” Technical Guidance (2021/C58/01) through the use of an exclusion list and the requirement of compliance with the relevant EU and national environmental legislation.

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											containing the selection criteria that ensure compliance with the Do No Significant Harm Principle, through the use of an exclusion list, and compliance with the relevant EU and national environmental legislation	

(v) In Non-Repayable Support, row M2C2-33, is replaced by the following:

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M2C2-33	Investment 4.4.2: Strengthening of the regional	Milestone	Award of all public contracts for the	Notification of the award of all the contracts for the regional	N/A	N/A	N/A	Q2	2023	MIT	Summary document duly justifying how the milestone (including all the constitutive elements) was	Notification of the award of all public contracts for the acquisition of zero emission trains (in line

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	public transport railway fleet with zero emissions trains and universal service		strengthening of regional public transport railway fleet with zero emission trains and universal service.	public transport railway fleet with zero emission trains and universal service							<p>satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence:</p> <p>a) copy of the contracts awarded or copy of the contract award notification;</p> <p>b) copy of the technical annexes of rolling stock material procured , proving alignment with requirements of the CID Annex.</p>	with intervention field 72 bis of Annex VI to the RRF Regulation, it also applies to bi-mode trains).

(vi) In Non-Repayable Support, row M5C3-8, is replaced by the following:

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M5C3-8	Investment 1.3: Structured socio-educational interventions to combat educational poverty in the South supporting the Third Sector	Target	Educational support to minors (first batch)	N/A	Number	0	20000	Q2	2023	Agency for Territorial Cohesion	The provision “Key elements of the tender” shall be understood as applying to upcoming tenders (those launched after the entry into force of the Council Implementing Decision on the approval of the assessment of the Recovery and Resilience Plan for Italy)	Summary document duly justifying how the target was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence: a) request for the enrolment to the educational support courses; b) documents proving the actual enrolment of the minor to the	At least 20 000 minor aged up to 17 years shall receive educational support. The projects of educational support shall focus on one of the following areas:  • Interventions for children aged zero to six aimed at strengthening the conditions of access to nursery and kindergarten services and at supporting parenthood;  • Interventions for children aged five to ten aimed at guaranteeing effective

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												<p>educational support course provided by third sector organization managing the course, including confirmation of enrolment;</p> <p>c) a list of projects with a brief description in line with the CID requirements of the target;</p> <p>d) copy of the notification of awarding decree for the educational support projects by the Agency for Territorial</p>	<p>educational opportunities and early prevention of school dropout, bullying and other phenomena of distress;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interventions for children aged 11-17, which aim at improving education supply and preventing the phenomenon of early school leaving.</li> </ul> <p>Key elements of the tender:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public notices shall account for at least EUR 50 000 each</li> <li>- The third sector entities projects shall last at least</li> </ul>

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												<p>Cohesion to third sector organizations providing educational support.</p> <p>one year and up to two years.</p> <p>The actions shall take place in the regions of Abruzzo, Basilicata, Campania, Calabria, Molise, Puglia, Sardegna and Sicilia</p>	

(vii) In Loan Support, row M1C3-20is replaced by the following:

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M1C3-20	Investment - 3.2 Development of the film industry (Cinecittà project)	Milestone	Signature of the contracts between the implementing entity Cinecittà' SPA and the companies in relation to the construction of nine studios	Signature of the contracts	N/A	N/A	N/A	Q2	2023	Ministry of Culture, Cinecittà' SPA.	Milestone M1C3-20 shall require the signature of the contracts for the construction of 5 new studios and the recovery of 4 existing ones.	Summary document duly justifying how the milestone (including all the constitutive elements) was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• copy of signed contract(s)</li> <li>• extract of the relevant parts of the technical specifications of the project proving alignment</li> </ul>	Signature of the contracts between the implementing body, Cinecittà' SPA and the companies in relation to the construction of nine studios.  This intervention includes the construction of new studios, recovery of existing studios, investments in new digital technologies, systems and services aimed at strengthening the Cinecittà film studios managed by Cinecittà' SPA.

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												<p>with the CID's description of the investment and milestone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>extract of the relevant parts of contracts reflecting the selection criteria included in the relevant call(s) that ensure compliance with the Do No Significant Harm principle and the elements of the respective intervention field of Annex VI of</li> </ul>	<p>The contract between the implementing entity Cinecitta' Spa and the companies shall contain selection/eligibility criteria for compliance with the DNSH Technical Guidance (2021/C58/01) of supported assets/activities and/or companies.</p> <p>Commitment/target to invest 20% in assets/activities and/or companies compliant with the selection criteria for digital tracking and 70% with selection</p>



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												the RRF Regulation	criteria for climate tracking.

(viii) In Loan Support, row M4C1-28 is replaced by the following:

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M4C1-28	Reform 1.7: Reform of student housing regulation and investment in student housing	Milestone	Awards of initial contracts for the creation of additional sleeping accommodation units (beds)	Publication of the awards in the Ministry's website	N/A	N/A	N/A	Q2	2023	Ministry of University and Research	Summary document duly justifying how the target was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence:  a) Link to the publication of the awards of initial contracts for the creation of additional sleeping accommodation units (beds) in the Ministry's website.	Awards of initial contracts for the creation of additional sleeping accommodation units (beds).

(ix) In Loan Support, row M4C1-30 is replaced by the following:

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M4C1-30	Reform 1.7: Reform of student housing regulation and investment in student housing	Target	Student sleeping accommodation units created and assigned following the existing or the new legislative scheme	N/A	Number	0	60000	Q2	2026	Ministry of University and Research	Summary document duly justifying how the target was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence: a) list of the additional sleeping accommodation units (beds) assigned to students, in line with conditions set out in the Council Implementing Decision; b) copies of the calls for projects and of the awards for the creation of the student accommodation units.	At least 60 000 additional sleeping accommodation units (beds) created and assigned following either Law no. 338/2000, as revised in August 2022 or the new legislative scheme adopted under milestone M4C1-29, Reform 1.7: Reform of student housing regulation and investment in student housing.

(x) In Loan Support, row M5C1-18 is replaced by the following:

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M5C1-18	Investment 5 - Creation of women's enterprises	Target	Financial support to enterprises has been committed	N/A	Number	0	700	Q2	2023	Ministry of Economic Development	Summary document duly justifying how the target (including all the constitutive elements) was satisfactorily fulfilled. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence: a) a list of projects and for each of them: - a brief description; - copy of the acknowledgment of commitment of financial support, signed by the granting authorities with a clear reference to	Financial support has been committed to at least 700 additional enterprises compared to the baseline. The implementation of support to female entrepreneurship is undertaken through instruments already active (nito, smart & start) and the new fund established by the Budget Law for 2021.

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											the instruments in the description of the target.	(Women's enterprises supported until November 2020 by existing financial instruments as the baseline).