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DECISION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the European Union,

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

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community,

Having regard to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, and in particular Article 3(6) thereof,

Whereas the Commission's work on artificial intelligence (AI) innovation and diffusion requires cooperation across a number of portfolios to deliver the best results.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

- (1) A Project Group on AI is set up to support delivering on this project. It shall facilitate the joint work in line with the Political Guidelines and the Mission Letters.
- (2) The Project Group shall steer the development of an integrated approach to AI adoption by industry, public services and society as a whole, to maximise its contribution to productivity, growth and competitiveness. It shall bring together the efforts looking at the horizontal enablers for AI diffusion and innovation, including data, and targeted measures to foster AI advances in key sectors. It shall promote an integrated approach to AI at every stage from research, demonstration, innovation to application to industrial processes and public services.
- (3) Without prejudice to the decision-making process of the College and the responsibility of the collegial preparatory bodies, the Project Group shall ensure timely preparation and provide political steer for the development of the initiatives and implementation of priorities. It shall notably oversee the preparations of the Apply AI strategy, as well as policy-specific actions including the AI strategy for cultural and creative industries, the European AI Research Council, the strategic roadmap for digitalisation and AI in the energy sector, the strategy on the use of digital technologies, including of AI, in EU civil and criminal justice matters etc.
- (4) The Project Group shall maximise the opportunities for the EU's values-based and people-centric approach to contribute to a positive and sustainable development of AI.
- (5) The Project Group shall regularly review progress towards our objectives on AI innovation and deployment and give orientations for any policy adjustments needed. It shall take stock of the outcome of consultations and engagement with Member States, industry and civil society.

Article 2

- (1) The Executive Vice-President for Tech Sovereignty, Security and Democracy shall chair the group.
- (2) The composition of the Project Group shall be as follows:
 - Executive Vice-President for Tech Sovereignty, Security and Democracy,
 - Executive Vice-President for Prosperity and Industrial Strategy,
 - Executive Vice-President for Social Rights and Skills, Quality Jobs and Preparedness,
 - Commissioner for Trade and Economic Security; Interinstitutional Relations and Transparency,
 - Commissioner for Health and Animal Welfare,
 - Commissioner for Defence and Space,
 - Commissioner for Startups, Research and Innovation, and
 - Commissioner for Democracy, Justice, the Rule of Law and Consumer Protection.
- (3) The President may decide to attend and chair the Project Group. Other Executive Vice-Presidents and Commissioners may participate in relevant meetings of the Project Group and contribute to the work on invitation by the chair.
- (4) The chair decides for each meeting if participants can be accompanied by one or more staff members, either from the Cabinet or Services.
- (5) The Secretary-General of the Commission or a Deputy Secretary-General, the Director-General of the Legal Service or his or her Deputy, the Director General of Directorate-General for Communication or his or her Deputy, and the Cabinet of the President, have standing invitations to attend the meetings of the Project Group.

Article 3

- (1) The Secretariat-General shall ensure the secretariat of the Project Group.
- (2) The secretariat shall assist in the organisation of the Project Group's meetings and prepare draft agendas. The secretariat shall ensure the timely preparation and/or circulation of meeting documents (short discussion notes, background).
- (3) The agendas of meetings of the Project Group shall be decided by the chair in agreement with the Cabinet of the President. Participants may suggest items to be included in the agenda.
- (4) The chair shall draw the conclusions of the meeting which shall be circulated by the secretariat. The conclusions shall be published on the Commission website unless the chair

decides otherwise depending on the nature of the discussions.

Article 4

- (1) The Project Group is established for an initial period of one year.
- (2) The Project Group may continue to operate subsequently if the President decides to renew its mandate under the same or revised terms.

Done at Brussels, 7 January 2025.

The President

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