



**2016 annual work programme for the implementation of the pilot projects "Promoting health-enhancing physical activity across Europe", "Improving learning outcomes by supporting novice teachers, through online coaching and mentoring", and of the preparatory actions "New Narrative for Europe" and "EFFE – Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe"**

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**of 31.3.2016**

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Articles 84(2) and 54(2)(a)(b) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 54(2)(a) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 provides that appropriations for pilot projects of an experimental nature designed to test the feasibility of an action and its usefulness, may be implemented without a basic act as long as the actions which they are intended to finance fall within the competence of the Union.
- (2) Under Article 54(2)(b) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, appropriations for preparatory action in the fields of application of the TFEU and the Euratom Treaty, designed to prepare proposals with a view to the adoption of future actions, may be implemented without a basic act.
- (3) In accordance with Article 84(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union<sup>2</sup>, the commitment of expenditure shall be preceded by a financing decision setting out the essential elements of an action involving expenditure from the budget and adopted by the Commission.
- (4) In accordance with Article 128(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, an annual work programme for grants must be adopted.
- (5) As the 2016 work programme provides a sufficiently detailed framework within the meaning of Article 94(2) and (3) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012, this Commission Decision constitutes a financing decision for the expenditure envisaged under the work programme of grants and contracts.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 298, 26.10.12, p.1.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 362, 31.12.12, p.1.

- (6) This financing decision may also cover the payment of default interest due on the basis of Article 92(6) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and Article 111(4) of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The annexed work programme is hereby adopted for a total budget of EUR 1.950.000 on the budget lines:

- Pilot project – Promoting health-enhancing physical activity across Europe, budget line 15 02 77 10 : EUR 600,000
- Pilot project – Improving learning outcomes by supporting novice teachers, through online coaching and mentoring, budget line 15 02 77 11: EUR 500,000
- Preparatory action – New Narrative for Europe, budget line 15 04 77 11: EUR 500,000
- Preparatory action– EFFE – Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe, budget line 15 04 77 12: EUR 350,000

It constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of the Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012.

These appropriations may also cover interest due for late payment.

*Article 2*

The Director-General of DG Education and Culture is responsible for ensuring the publication and implementation of the 2016 annual work programme on grants and contracts for the budget lines 15 02 77 10, 15 02 77 11, 15 04 77 11 and 15 04 77 12.

Done at Brussels, 31.3.2016

*For the Commission  
Tibor Navracsics  
Member of the Commission*



COMMISSION  
EUROPÉENNE

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**DÉCISION DE LA COMMISSION**

**du 31.3.2016**

**relative à l'adoption du programme de travail annuel 2016 pour la mise en œuvre des projets pilotes «Promotion de l'activité physique bienfaisante pour la santé à travers l'Europe» et «Améliorer l'acquis de l'apprentissage en encourageant les enseignants débutants grâce à l'apprentissage, à l'accompagnement et au tutorat en ligne», et des actions préparatoires «Nouveau récit sur l'Europe» et «L'Europe pour les festivals, les festivals pour l'Europe (EFFE)»**

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LA COMMISSION EUROPÉENNE,

vu le traité sur le fonctionnement de l'Union européenne,

vu le règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 du Parlement européen et du Conseil du 25 octobre 2012 relatif aux règles financières applicables au budget général de l'Union et abrogeant le règlement (CE, Euratom) n° 1605/2002 du Conseil<sup>1</sup>, et notamment son article 84, paragraphe 2, et son article 54, paragraphe 2, points a) et b),

considérant ce qui suit:

- (1) L'article 54, paragraphe 2, point a), du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 dispose que les crédits relatifs à des projets pilotes de nature expérimentale visant à tester la faisabilité d'une action et son utilité peuvent être exécutés sans acte de base, pour autant que les actions financées relèvent de la compétence de l'Union.
- (2) Conformément à l'article 54, paragraphe 2, point b), du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012, les crédits relatifs à des actions préparatoires dans les domaines d'application du traité sur le fonctionnement de l'Union européenne et du traité Euratom, destinées à préparer des propositions en vue de l'adoption d'actions futures, peuvent être exécutés sans acte de base.
- (3) En vertu de l'article 84, paragraphe 2, du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 et de l'article 94 du règlement délégué (UE) n° 1268/2012 de la Commission du 29 octobre 2012 relatif aux règles d'application du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 du Parlement européen et du Conseil relatif aux règles financières applicables au budget général de l'Union<sup>2</sup>, l'engagement de la dépense est précédé d'une décision de financement exposant les éléments essentiels d'une action qui implique une dépense à charge du budget, adoptée par la Commission.
- (4) L'article 128, paragraphe 1, du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 prévoit qu'un programme de travail annuel doit être adopté pour les subventions.
- (5) Le programme de travail 2016 constituant un cadre suffisamment précis aux fins de l'article 94, paragraphes 2 et 3, du règlement délégué (UE) n° 1268/2012 de la Commission, la présente décision de la Commission constitue une décision de financement pour les dépenses prévues dans le programme de travail relatif aux subventions et aux marchés.

<sup>1</sup> JO L 298 du 26.10.2012, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> JO L 362 du 31.12.2012, p. 1.

- (6) La présente décision de financement peut également couvrir le paiement d'intérêts de retard dus sur la base de l'article 92, paragraphe 6, du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 et de l'article 111, paragraphe 4, du règlement délégué (UE) n° 1268/2012 de la Commission,

DÉCIDE:

*Article premier*

Le programme de travail figurant en annexe est adopté pour un budget total de 1 950 000 EUR à prélever sur les lignes budgétaires suivantes:

- Projet pilote «Promotion de l'activité physique bienfaisante pour la santé à travers l'Europe», ligne budgétaire 15 02 77 10: 600 000 EUR
- Projet pilote «Améliorer l'acquis de l'apprentissage en encourageant les enseignants débutants grâce à l'apprentissage, à l'accompagnement et au tutorat en ligne», ligne budgétaire 15 02 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Action préparatoire «Nouveau récit sur l'Europe», ligne budgétaire 15 04 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Action préparatoire «L'Europe pour les festivals, les festivals pour l'Europe (EFFE)», ligne budgétaire 15 04 77 12: 350 000 EUR

Il constitue une décision de financement au sens de l'article 84 du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012.

Ces crédits peuvent également couvrir les intérêts de retard.

*Article 2*

Le directeur général de la direction générale de l'éducation et de la culture est chargé de veiller à la publication et la mise en œuvre du programme de travail annuel 2016 relatif aux subventions et aux marchés pour les lignes budgétaires 15 02 77 10, 15 02 77 11, 15 04 77 11 et 15 04 77 12.

Fait à Bruxelles, le 31.3.2016

*Par la Commission  
Tibor Navracsics  
Membre de la Commission*



Brüssel, den 31.3.2016  
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**BESCHLUSS DER KOMMISSION**

**vom 31.3.2016**

**über die Annahme des Jahresarbeitsprogramms 2016 für die Durchführung der Pilotprojekte „Europaweite Unterstützung gesundheitsfördernder körperlicher Aktivität“ und „Verbesserung der Lernergebnisse durch Unterstützung junger Lehrkräfte mittels Online-Coaching und -Mentoring“ sowie der vorbereitenden Maßnahmen „Ein neues Bild Europas“ und „Europa für Festivals, Festivals für Europa (EFFE)“**

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### DIE EUROPÄISCHE KOMMISSION –

gestützt auf den Vertrag über die Arbeitsweise der Europäischen Union,  
gestützt auf die Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates vom 25. Oktober 2012 über die Haushaltsordnung für den Gesamthaushaltsplan der Union und zur Aufhebung der Verordnung (EG, Euratom) Nr. 1605/2002 des Rates<sup>1</sup>, insbesondere auf die Artikel 84, Absatz 2 und Artikel 54, Absatz 2 Buchstaben a und b,  
in Erwägung nachstehender Gründe:

- (1) Gemäß Artikel 54 Absatz 2 Buchstabe a der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 können Mittel für Pilotprojekte experimenteller Art, mit denen Durchführbarkeit und Nutzen einer Maßnahme bewertet werden, ohne Basisrechtsakt verwendet werden, sofern die Europäische Union die Zuständigkeit für die zu finanzierenden Maßnahmen hat.
- (2) Gemäß Artikel 54 Absatz 2 Buchstabe b der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 können Mittel für vorbereitende Maßnahmen, die in den Anwendungsbereichen des Vertrags über die Arbeitsweise der Europäischen Union (AEUV) und des Euratom-Vertrags angesiedelt sind und auf die Erarbeitung von Vorschlägen für künftige Maßnahmen abstellen, ohne Basisrechtsakt verwendet werden.
- (3) Gemäß Artikel 84 Absatz 2 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 und Artikel 94 der Delegierten Verordnung (EU) Nr. 1268/2012 der Kommission vom 29. Oktober 2012 über die Anwendungsbestimmungen für die Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates über die Haushaltsordnung für den Gesamthaushaltsplan der Union<sup>2</sup> muss der Mittelbindung aus dem Unionshaushalt ein von der Kommission erlassener Finanzierungsbeschluss vorangehen, in dem die wesentlichen Aspekte der Maßnahme, die die Ausgabe bewirkt, präzisiert werden.
- (4) Gemäß Artikel 128 Absatz 1 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 muss für Finanzhilfen ein jährliches Arbeitsprogramm angenommen werden.
- (5) Da mit dem Arbeitsprogramm 2016 ein hinreichend genauer Rahmen im Sinne des Artikels 94 Absätze 2 und 3 der Delegierten Verordnung (EU) Nr. 1268/2012 der Kommission aufgestellt wird, gilt der vorliegende Beschluss der Kommission als

<sup>1</sup> ABl. L 298 vom 26.10.2012, S. 1.

<sup>2</sup> ABl. L 362 vom 31.12.2012, S. 1.

Finanzierungsbeschluss hinsichtlich der im Arbeitsprogramm für Finanzhilfen und Aufträge vorgesehenen Ausgaben.

- (6) Der vorliegende Finanzierungsbeschluss kann auch die Zahlung von Verzugszinsen nach Maßgabe des Artikels 92 Absatz 6 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 und des Artikels 111 Absatz 4 der Delegierten Verordnung (EU) Nr. 1268/2012 der Kommission abdecken —

BESCHLIESST:

*Artikel 1*

Das Arbeitsprogramm im Anhang wird hiermit mit einem Gesamtvolumen von 1 950 000 EUR aus den folgenden Haushaltlinien angenommen:

- Pilotprojekt – Europaweite Unterstützung gesundheitsfördernder körperlicher Aktivität, Haushaltlinie 15 02 77 10: 600 000 EUR
- Pilotprojekt – Verbesserung der Lernergebnisse durch Unterstützung junger Lehrkräfte mittels Online-Coaching und -Mentoring, Haushaltlinie 15 02 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Vorbereitende Maßnahme – Ein neues Bild Europas, Haushaltlinie 15 04 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Vorbereitende Maßnahme – Europa für Festivals, Festivals für Europa (EFFE), Haushaltlinie 15 04 77 12: 350 000 EUR

Es gilt als Finanzierungsbeschluss im Sinne des Artikels 84 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012.

Diese Mittel können auch die Zahlung von Verzugszinsen abdecken.

*Artikel 2*

Die Generaldirektorin der GD Bildung und Kultur ist dafür zuständig, das Jahresarbeitsprogramm 2016 für Finanzhilfen und Aufträge, die unter die Haushaltlinien 15 02 77 10, 15 02 77 11, 15 04 77 11 und 15 04 77 12 fallen, zu veröffentlichen und umzusetzen.

Geschehen zu Brüssel am 31.3.2016

*Für die Kommission  
Tibor Navracsics  
Mitglied der Kommission*

## Summary

**2016 annual work programme for the implementation of the pilot projects "Promoting health-enhancing physical activity across Europe", "Improving learning outcomes by supporting novice teachers, through online coaching and mentoring", and of the preparatory actions "New Narrative for Europe" and "EFFE – Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe"**

In accordance with Article 84(2) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 and Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union , the commitment of expenditure shall be preceded by a financing decision setting out the essential elements of an action involving expenditure from the budget and adopted by the Commission.

In accordance with Article 128(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, an annual work programme for grants must be adopted.

As the 2016 work programme provides a sufficiently detailed framework within the meaning of Article 94(2) and (3) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012, this Commission Decision constitutes a financing decision for the expenditure envisaged under the work programme of grants and contracts.

The 2016 total expenditure for the Preparatory Actions and Pilot Projects is EUR 1.950.000 on the budget lines:

- Pilot project – Promoting health-enhancing physical activity across Europe, budget line 15 02 77 10 : EUR 600,000
- Pilot project – Improving learning outcomes by supporting novice teachers, through online coaching and mentoring, budget line 15 02 77 11: EUR 500,000
- Preparatory action – New Narrative for Europe, budget line 15 04 77 11: EUR 500,000
- Preparatory action– EFFE – Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe, budget line 15 04 77 12: EUR 350,000

It constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of the Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012.

These appropriations may also cover interest due for late payment.

## **Résumé**

**Programme de travail annuel 2016 pour la mise en œuvre des projets pilotes «Promotion de l'activité physique bienfaisante pour la santé à travers l'Europe» et «Améliorer l'acquis de l'apprentissage en encourageant les enseignants débutants grâce à l'apprentissage, à l'accompagnement et au tutorat en ligne», et des actions préparatoires «Nouveau récit sur l'Europe» et «L'Europe pour les festivals, les festivals pour l'Europe (EFFE)»**

En vertu de l'article 84, paragraphe 2, du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 et de l'article 94 du règlement délégué (UE) n° 1268/2012 de la Commission du 29 octobre 2012 relatif aux règles d'application du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 du Parlement européen et du Conseil relatif aux règles financières applicables au budget général de l'Union, l'engagement de la dépense est précédé d'une décision de financement exposant les éléments essentiels d'une action qui implique une dépense à charge du budget, adoptée par la Commission.

L'article 128, paragraphe 1, du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012 prévoit qu'un programme de travail annuel doit être adopté pour les subventions.

Le programme de travail 2016 constituant un cadre suffisamment précis aux fins de l'article 94, paragraphes 2 et 3, du règlement délégué (UE) n° 1268/2012 de la Commission, la présente décision de la Commission constitue une décision de financement pour les dépenses prévues dans le programme de travail relatif aux subventions et aux marchés.

Le budget total 2016 pour les actions préparatoires et les projets pilotes s'élève à 1 950 000 EUR, à prélever sur les lignes budgétaires suivantes:

- Projet pilote «Promotion de l'activité physique bienfaisante pour la santé à travers l'Europe», ligne budgétaire 15 02 77 10: 600 000 EUR
- Projet pilote «Améliorer l'acquis de l'apprentissage en encourageant les enseignants débutants grâce à l'apprentissage, à l'accompagnement et au tutorat en ligne», ligne budgétaire 15 02 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Action préparatoire «Nouveau récit sur l'Europe», ligne budgétaire 15 04 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Action préparatoire «L'Europe pour les festivals, les festivals pour l'Europe (EFFE)», ligne budgétaire 15 04 77 12: 350 000 EUR

Il constitue une décision de financement au sens de l'article 84 du règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012.

Ces crédits peuvent également couvrir les intérêts de retard.

## Übersicht

**über das Jahresarbeitsprogramm 2016 für die Durchführung der Pilotprojekte „Europaweite Unterstützung gesundheitsfördernder körperlicher Aktivität“ und „Verbesserung der Lernergebnisse durch Unterstützung junger Lehrkräfte mittels Online-Coaching und -Mentoring“ sowie der vorbereitenden Maßnahmen „Ein neues Bild Europas“ und „Europa für Festivals, Festivals für Europa (EFFE)“**

Gemäß Artikel 84 Absatz 2 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 und Artikel 94 der Delegierten Verordnung (EU) Nr. 1268/2012 der Kommission vom 29. Oktober 2012 über die Anwendungsbestimmungen für die Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates über die Haushaltsordnung für den Gesamthaushaltsplan der Union muss der Mittelbindung aus dem Unionshaushalt ein von der Kommission erlassener Finanzierungsbeschluss vorangehen, in dem die wesentlichen Aspekte der Maßnahme, die die Ausgabe bewirkt, präzisiert werden.

Gemäß Artikel 128 Absatz 1 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012 muss für Finanzhilfen ein jährliches Arbeitsprogramm angenommen werden.

Da mit dem Arbeitsprogramm 2016 ein hinreichend genauer Rahmen im Sinne des Artikels 94 Absätze 2 und 3 der Delegierten Verordnung (EU) Nr. 1268/2012 der Kommission aufgestellt wird, gilt der vorliegende Beschluss der Kommission als Finanzierungsbeschluss hinsichtlich der im Arbeitsprogramm für Finanzhilfen und Aufträge vorgesehenen Ausgaben.

Die Gesamtausgaben für die vorbereitenden Maßnahmen und die Pilotprojekte für das Jahr 2016 belaufen sich auf 1 950 000 EUR aus folgenden Haushaltlinien:

- Pilotprojekt – Europaweite Unterstützung gesundheitsfördernder körperlicher Aktivität, Haushaltlinie 15 02 77 10: 600 000 EUR
- Pilotprojekt – Verbesserung der Lernergebnisse durch Unterstützung junger Lehrkräfte mittels Online-Coaching und -Mentoring, Haushaltlinie 15 02 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Vorbereitende Maßnahme – Ein neues Bild Europas, Haushaltlinie 15 04 77 11: 500 000 EUR
- Vorbereitende Maßnahme – Europa für Festivals, Festivals für Europa (EFFE), Haushaltlinie 15 04 77 12: 350 000 EUR

Das Arbeitsprogramm gilt als Finanzierungsbeschluss im Sinne des Artikels 84 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012.

Diese Mittel können auch die Zahlung von Verzugszinsen abdecken.

**ANNEX I**

<b>2016 Annual work programme for the implementation of the Pilot Project "Promoting health-enhancing physical activity across Europe"</b>	
<b>Budget line</b>	15 02 77 10
<b>Legal basis:</b>	Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2)(a) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

**1. BACKGROUND**

The promotion of health-enhancing physical activity (HEPA) in EU and national policy making aims at addressing not only better health and well-being but also the alarming social and economic costs associated to physical inactivity. A respective process is in place and relevant structures have been set up at EU level, in cooperation with Member States (MS) and stakeholders, to encourage the development and implementation of more effective European and national policies and actions to make everybody move more and practice sport and physical activity. Basically, the EU addresses the promotion of HEPA in three ways, i.e. through (a) a comprehensive policy agenda, the main instrument being the implementation of the 2013 Council Recommendation on HEPA and its monitoring provisions in close cooperation with MS and the World Health Organization (WHO)<sup>1</sup>, (b) targeted funding through EU funding instruments, including but not only Erasmus+ Sport, and (c) the European Week of Sport, a cross-European campaign to raise awareness of the many benefits of sport and physical activity among people in Europe and to increase opportunities for them to be(come) active.

In this context, specific challenges have been identified recently to which increasing attention should be paid:

- Challenges with regard to certain categories of population which have no or only limited access to the practice of sport and physical activity. Refugees clearly belong to this category. This fact has raised new questions for policy makers and providers of sport and physical activity.
- Challenges with regard to the methods of monitoring physical activity in Europe and to the availability of comparable data in the EU-28. In the context of implementing the monitoring provisions in the 2013 Council Recommendation on HEPA, it became apparent that Member States use different instruments and surveys to measure physical activity prevalence rates leading to very different, sometimes contradicting results and this also renders a comparison across Europe problematic. Sound figures are crucial for policy making aimed at improving physical activity.

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<sup>1</sup> To implement this Recommendation, the Commission was invited to promote the functioning of a framework to monitor HEPA policies and the prevalence of physical activity at national level, in cooperation with the WHO. That monitoring framework is based on 23 indicators which are defined and annexed to the Council Recommendation. The Commission was further invited to produce, in cooperation with the WHO, country-specific overviews on physical activity, on the basis of these indicators. The first release of these country fact sheets on physical activity was published in September 2015, including more than 100 success stories and up to date monitoring and surveillance data.

## **2. OBJECTIVES AND MAIN FEATURES OF THE ACTION**

When implementing this pilot project it is important to build on the described process and the structures in place to promote physical activity, not to duplicate efforts but to support the process by addressing the above two challenges.

This action will thus have two pillars, one focusing on the promotion of HEPA policy measures and actions for refugees, and one about the promotion of evidence-based policies in the field of HEPA, complementary to the work already undertaken.

### **a) Promoting HEPA policy measures and actions for refugees**

The massive arrival of refugees is one of the major challenge Europe is facing. Even if housing, food and education must be considered as first priorities, sport and physical activity can play an important role in the integration and well being of refugees.

Promoting sport and physical activity among the refugees population would fill a gap in the EU efforts to ensure better access to sport and physical activity for *all* socially-excluded groups. Some pilot actions could test and identify best practices in the Member States in such specific situation and with such a specific public.

#### Expected results

- Awareness-raising among refugees about the benefits of practicing sport and physical activity;
- Better integration of refugees in society through sport and physical activity;
- Increased knowledge among refugees of European values through participation in sport and physical activity.

### **b) Improving the evidence base for HEPA policies**

By tackling the challenges relating to the methods of measuring physical activity prevalence, the envisaged action would add value to existing and ongoing activities in the EU and its Member States to tackle the lack of physical activity among Europe's population.

Concretely, an idea for a project to calibrate and convert physical activity surveillance data across the EU-28 was discussed with the World Health Organization, with international researchers and with the Member States in the context of the Expert Group on Health-enhancing physical activity (XG HEPA) in early 2016.

The main purpose of the project would be to compare commonly used questionnaires for physical activity surveillance (e.g. Global Physical Activity Questionnaire - GPAQ, International Physical Activity Questionnaire - IPAQ, European Health Interview Survey Physical Activity Questionnaire - EHIS-PAQ, Eurobarometer) against each other and against objective accelerometer data in a validation study that would utilise representative samples in some EU countries. Potentially, participating countries could also use their national physical activity related questionnaire as part of the study.

Through such project it would be possible to compare prevalence of physical activity as generated by the different questionnaires with concrete accelerometer data. Member States would thus be able to calibrate existing prevalence that stem from questionnaire data. It would also be possible to convert prevalence rates that stem from one instrument (e.g. IPAQ) to prevalence estimates from another instrument (e.g. EHIS).

In preliminary discussions with Member States the perspective of having better and comparable prevalence data in Europe was very much welcomed as a basis for designing more effective HEPA promotion policies and actions. Several Member States already expressed interest in participating, would such project be implemented.

#### Expected results:

- The project would strengthen the evidence base for HEPA policy making by improving the methods to measure physical activity prevalences and by providing possibilities to obtain more objective and comparable data on physical activity across Europe.
- Scientific publications will be produced. Ultimately, the project results would feed HEPA promotion policies in the Member States.

### **3. IMPLEMENTATION**

#### **a) Promoting HEPA policy measures and actions for refugees – Call for Proposals**

It would allow the testing of HEPA activities in approximately 6 Member States particularly concerned by the massive arrival of refugees. Approximately 6 projects would be selected, one per Member State. These projects should involve local sport organisations and take into account gender equality.

Estimated budget: 300.000 €

The EU contribution may not exceed 80 % of the total eligible costs of the project.

##### Eligible applicants

In order to be eligible, projects must be presented by applicants meeting the following criteria:

- be a public or private organisation with legal personality, whose principal activity is in the field of sport and physical activity (natural persons are not eligible to apply for a grant under this call);
- have their registered legal office in one of the 28 EU Member States.

##### Selection criteria

- Operational capacity: applicants must have the professional skills and qualifications necessary to complete the proposed action.
- Applicants must certify their financial and operational capacity to complete the proposed action by signing a declaration on their honour and submitting any supporting documents requested in the call for proposals. According to article 196(3) of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 (hereinafter Rules of Application, the first requirement does not apply to public bodies and international organisations.

##### Award criteria

Points will be allocated to eligible applications out of a total of 100 on the basis of the following weighting:

- **Relevance of the project (criterion 1) (maximum 30 points):** The extent to which the proposal contributes to the objectives and priorities of the action referred above.
- **Quality (criterion 2) (maximum 40 points):** The quality of the overall design of the activities proposed and methodology for achieving the objectives, including cost efficiency, sustainability of the proposed actions (the extent to which the actions will be carried out also after the end of the project) and budget proposal.
- **Management of the project (criterion 3) (maximum 30 points):** The extent to which the applicant demonstrates its ability to organise, coordinate and implement the various aspects of the proposed activities.

#### **b) Improving the evidence base for HEPA policies**

This action would be based on previous and planned work carried out in cooperation with the WHO and the Member States in the context of implementing the 2013 Council Recommendation on HEPA. Taking into account preparatory work with the WHO and its competence centres, it would consist of the field work needed to improve the methods to measure physical activity prevalences. It would provide the necessary input for the work within the existing cooperation structures to define conversion and calibration factors.

Although the interest from Member States in participating in the project is high, budgetary constraints will limit the number of countries, and a selection will most likely need to be done on the basis of geographical distribution and strength of commitment from the countries.

This action could be carried out under an existing framework contract.

Estimated budget: 300.000 €

#### 4. TIMETABLE

The indicative timetable of implementation of the 2016 appropriations is as follows:

ACTION	DATE
Adoption of the Commission financing decision	March 2016
Publication of the call for tender	April 2016
<b>Contract signature</b>	<b>June 2016</b>
<b>Payment schedule</b>	<b>60% interim payments 2017 40% final payment 2018</b>
Contract duration	16 months

Programming-table

Budget-line 15.027710		EUR 28	o	o	o	TOTAL ↳ 600.000	o
wn. c	Action	Budget	Mode of implemen- tation	Indicative/planned number of interventions	Average contribution/interven- tion	Maximum rate of co-financing of eligible costs	Publication of the calls
1.10	Improving the evidence base for HEPA policies	300.000	CFP	60	50.000	80%	Jun-16
1.20	Promotion of HEPA policy measures and actions for refugees	300.000	PP	10	N/A	N/A	N/A
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>600.000</b>	<b>o</b>	<b>o</b>	<b>o</b>	<b>o</b>	<b>o</b>

CFP: Grants awarded with a call for proposals

PP: Public Procurement

N/A.: Not applicable

<b>2016 Annual work programme for the implementation of the Pilot Project "Improving learning outcomes by supporting novice teachers, through online coaching and mentoring"</b>	
<b>Budget line</b>	15 02 77 11
<b>Legal basis:</b>	Pilot project within the meaning of Article 54(2)(a) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

## 1. BACKGROUND

This pilot project will create tools to help teachers in the first, often difficult years of their careers to become effective professionals. Mentoring is increasingly recognised as a powerful method to support teacher's education and professional development (and to engage experienced teachers in peer-to-peer support). An increasing number of countries use systematic mentoring as a way of supporting novice teachers in their first school assignments.

The project will pilot these actions in four targeted countries that either have mentoring schemes in place, but no corresponding support networks, or have a recent experience of introducing mentoring and could benefit from such networks and tools.

It will involve the development of online peer networks for (a) beginning teachers and (b) their mentors, as well as (c) an online professional development course for mentors of student school teachers.

## 2. OBJECTIVES AND MAIN FEATURES OF THE ACTION

As mentioned in the Commission executability letter of 28 October 2015, the resources available for the pilot project (EUR 500.000 in commitment appropriations) have been significantly reduced from the initial indicative proposal (EUR 1.000.000). Taking into account the reduced budget, the Commission considers it is advisable to focus only on one of the two parts of the project initially proposed (developing online material only).

The online tools will support beginning teachers in the first years of their careers, and their mentors, by providing high-quality tools to further enable teachers' professional development. In order for these pilot tools to be coherent with existing European Commission online tools and websites, they will follow strict guidelines on the visual nature and structure of the online platforms and course website and materials.

Expected results:

- An online Beginning Teachers peer network;
- Online national Mentor Networks (piloted in 4 target countries);
- An online professional development course for mentors of student school teachers.

The concrete actions to be implemented are as follows:

1. Preparatory work designing appropriate online tools for the networks and undertaking research to identify the countries/languages that would benefit from animation.
2. Recruiting participants to the networks: both online users and volunteer animators or ambassadors to ensure that the tool remains focused, useful and dynamic.
3. Developing an online professional development course, including appropriate tools, content and course leaders.

4. Advertising, recruiting to, and running the course with 3-4 language options in parallel.
5. Fully evaluating the three outputs and reporting on the feasibility of continuing/developing the outputs in conjunction with existing EC and international platforms.

### 3. IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation will support the creation of a virtual space to support beginning teachers in the first years of their careers, to become effective professionals in teaching, classroom, management etc. It will include the development of online modules for teacher learning, coaching and mentoring aimed at increasing the self-efficacy of novice teachers. The online module will complement existing activities in the School Education Gateway, as well as its planned evolution as of 2016 (in particular, the new Teacher Academy service), aimed at providing high-quality tools and services to further enable teachers' professional development, funded under the Erasmus+ Programme.

The item will be implemented through procurement procedures.

Estimated budget: 500.000 €

### 4. TIMETABLE

The indicative timetable of implementation of the 2016 appropriations is as follows:

ACTION	DATE
Adoption of the Commission financing decision	March 2016
Publication of the call for tender	April 2016
<b>Contract signature</b>	<b>June 2016</b>
<b>Payment schedule</b>	<b>60% interim payments 2017 40% final payment 2018</b>
Contract duration	16 months

Budget-line 15027711		EUR-28	.....500.000	TOTAL	
WPI (*)	Actions	Budget	Mode of implementation	Indicative/planned-number of interventions	Average contribution/intervention
<b>Improving learning outcomes by supporting novice teachers, through online coaching and mentoring</b>					
1.10	Improving learning outcomes by supporting novice teachers, through online coaching and mentoring	500.000	PP-EA	1	500.000
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>500.000</b>			

PP-EA: → Public Procurement, implemented by the EACEA → N/A: → Not applicable

<b>2016 Annual work programme for the implementation of the preparatory action ' New Narrative for Europe'</b>	
<b>Budget line</b>	15.04 77 11
<b>Legal basis:</b>	Preparatory Action within the meaning of Article 54(2)(b) of the Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

## **1. BACKGROUND**

In 2013 and 2014, the Commission implemented the pilot project "New Narrative for Europe" decided by the Budgetary Authority. The project intended to produce a new narrative on Europe by bringing together certain central figures from the cultural and creative sectors as well as other opinion makers, gathered in a 'cultural committee'. The main output of the initiative has been the declaration "The Mind and Body of Europe" published on 1st March 2014.

Taking into account the outcome of the pilot project, the budgetary authority has decided to extend the scope of this action through a preparatory action in 2015 and 2016.

In a context of growing disengagement with Europe, dialoguing with citizens, in particular young people, across Europe on the issue of European Union identity in the globalised world of the 21st century remains a priority. This preparatory action aims at promoting dialogue and debate amongst European citizens and in particular among and with younger generations.

## **2. OBJECTIVES AND MAIN FEATURES OF THE ACTION**

The objective of this preparatory action is to foster debate with young people at grassroots level and collect fresh views about the EU's current challenges, ways forward and the future of the European project. It will have as priority to reach out to youth as young people are not only the ones mostly concerned with the future but also a part of the population mostly affected by the crisis.

With the cooperation and assistance of youth organisations and a limited number of personalities from the cultural and scientific world, acting as 'ambassadors', this preparatory action is expected to meet three specific objectives:

- 1) to conduct events to foster dialogue and debate on the narratives for Europe in as many Member States as possible;
- 2) to support and participate in public events with broad media coverage that are organised by youth, cultural, scientific and citizens' organizations and focus on the debate on the new narrative for Europe;
- 3) to extend the debate through the social media;
- 4) to ensure maximum inclusion of citizens by supporting independent media platforms covering the debate on the new narrative for Europe.

### Expected results:

- to provide a platform in which young people, artists, authors, scientists, cultural practitioners and engaged citizens of different ages can share their views on and for the development of a European social imaginary and public space of debate;
- to connect people living in Europe to the European integration project via debates, the arts and sciences;
- to continue dialogue with citizens and enlarge the scope of the debate to younger generations and gather their views and opinions to be made public through digital platforms.

The concrete actions to be implemented are as follows:

- Organising events in around 20 Member States. One event in Strasbourg in the margins of European Youth Event (May 2016).
- Developing a social media campaign in order to create a digital platform to gather the contributions from all the debates and to encourage a wide participation from citizens
- Testing the way in which this initiative could have a long-lasting impact through networks among existing youth, cultural and scientific organisations.
- To have an official launch and a final event gathering the results of national youth events and the social media campaign

### 3. IMPLEMENTATION

To support these activities, the Commission will work with contractors through existing framework contracts to deliver the following activities:

- the organisation of events, including debates, exhibitions and cultural performances, covering travel and accommodation arrangements for participants and the expertise support for performing tasks relating to specific programming of the events;
- logistical support to the ambassadors, covering travel and accommodation arrangements and the logistical organisation of their attendance in public events
- the organisation of events in the Member States;
- communication campaign including social media.

Estimated budget: 500.000 €

### 4. TIMETABLE

The indicative timetable of implementation of the 2016 appropriations is as follows:

ACTION	DATE
Adoption of the Commission financing decision	March 2016
<del>Signature of the specific contracts under framework contracts</del>	<del>September 2016</del>
<del>Payment schedule</del>	<del>50% pre-financing 2016 50% final payment 2017</del>
Contract duration	6 – 9 months

Budget-line 15047711		EUR-28	500.000			TOTAL ↴ ↳ 500.000	
WPL (%)	Actions	Budget	Mode of implementation	Indicative/planned number of interventions	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum rate of co-financing of eligible costs	Publication of the calls
1.10	New Narrative for Europe	500.000	PP	3 or 4	125.000	N/A	N/A
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>500.000</b>					

PP: Public Procurement  
N/A: Not applicable

<b>2016 Annual work programme for the implementation of the Preparatory Action EFFE – Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe'</b>	
<b>Budget line</b>	15 04 77 12
<b>Legal basis:</b>	Preparatory action within the meaning of Article 54(2)(b) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

## 1. BACKGROUND

Cultural festivals have grown immensely in Europe over the last decade and are an important player in the cultural life of Europeans. In addition to their direct benefits on culture and the arts, they also have a significant impact on social, economic, educational development and help bring citizens together. Festivals bring together people from all strands of society by providing a festive and creative environment which makes them valuable platforms for audience participation. They also contribute to tourism, jobs and growth.

In addition, most of the festivals are international players, which cooperate and create with other festivals from other European countries. To that extent, festivals embrace transversal values fundamental to the European integration process.

The pilot project "Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe" finished at the end of 2015. The results of this pilot project have been very satisfactory, with more than 760 labelled festivals from 31 countries and 12 festivals awarded.

There is a need to continue this work with a view of consolidating the award and the label as a truly European initiative covering all culture festivals and of recognising and rewarding the innovation efforts made by these festivals. On the basis of the pilot project success, the preparatory action will continue to channel the energy of festivals into supporting cultural diversity in Europe as well as economic benefit and job creation.

## 2. OBJECTIVES AND MAIN FEATURES OF THE ACTION

Building on the results of the pilot project, the preparatory action should contribute to the objectives of the EU in the field of culture as stated in the art. 167 of the Treaty: to "contribute to the flowering of the cultures of the Member States, while respecting their national and regional diversity" and encourage "cooperation between Member States and, if necessary, supporting and supplementing their action" in the field of culture.

The preparatory action also seeks to cover wider objectives and policies of the EU: it seeks to generate and deliver an added value to the activities carried out by festivals in Europe which contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy of smart, sustainable and inclusive growth thanks to their spill-over capacity in the cultural and creative sectors, in the field of tourism, regional and urban development, etc.

It will also capitalise on the potential of festivals in order to maximise their contribution to various EU policies, including innovation, social inclusion, education, youth work and intercultural dialogue.

Last, by promoting the visibility of Europe's values through festivals, the action proposed will reach a large number of citizens across Europe, in particular young people.

### Expected results:

The preparatory action will continue the work of the pilot project and prepare the ground for the development of the award and the label into a permanent action, possibly European Festival Award and European Festival Label. More specifically, it is expected that the selected organisation/consortium will:

- (a) Develop a solid, credible and transparent mechanism for the selection of European festivals to receive a label and/or award;
- (b) Develop a branding strategy in the continuity of the pilot project, for a recognisable and valuable label and award;
- (c) Create a momentum ensuring high visibility for the award and label, the winners and the values that labelled festivals promote, and engage different target groups for the label and awards;
- (d) Develop networking and partnership activities with a view to ensuring the sustainable impact of the label and awards.

### **3. IMPLEMENTATION**

The preparatory action will be implemented through a framework partnership agreement and subsequent specific agreement, following a call for proposals.

#### Eligibility criteria

To be eligible applicants must:

- Be a public or private organisation with legal personality, whose principal activity is in the field of culture; natural persons are not eligible to apply for a grant under this call;
- Have their registered legal office in one of the 28 Member States.

#### Selection criteria

The applicants must have:

- Stable and sufficient sources of funding to maintain his activity throughout the period during which the action is being carried out and to participate in its funding;
- The professional competencies and qualifications required to complete the proposed action;

Applicants shall be an organisation or a consortium of partners having a significant capacity and experience in representing networks of cultural festivals in all cultural and creative sectors<sup>2</sup> across a large European geographical scale. The organisations shall also be capable of designing and implementing a programme of activities seeking to effectively prepare and implement a fully-fledged label and award scheme.

Applicants must certify their financial and operational capacity to complete the proposed action by signing a declaration on their honour and submitting any supporting documents requested in the call for proposals. According to article 196(3) of the Rules of Application, the first requirement does not apply to public bodies and international organisations.

#### Award criteria

The applications will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- Relevance of the project (maximum 40 points)
- Impact and dissemination (maximum 35 points)
- Quality of the project design and implementation (maximum 25 points)

The co-financing rate shall be maximum 80 % of the eligible budget.

<sup>2</sup> According to the definition of cultural and creative sectors in Article 2 of Regulation (EU) N° 1295/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Creative Europe Programme.

Estimated budget: 350.000 €

#### 4. TIMETABLE

The indicative timetable of implementation of the 2016 appropriations is as follows:

ACTION	DATE
Adoption of the Commission financing decision	March 2016
Publication of call for proposals	April 2016
<b>Agreement signature</b>	<b>July 2016</b>
<b>Payment schedule</b>	<b>50% pre-financing 2016</b> <b>50% final payment 2017</b>

Budget-line 15047712	EUR-28 .....350.000	TOTAL 350.000
EFFE - Festivals for Europe, Europe for Festivals		
WPI (*)	Actions	Budget
1.10	EFFE - Festivals for Europe, Europe for Festivals	350.000 CFP
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>350.000</b>

CFP: Grants awarded with a call for proposals

## **CORRIGENDUM<sup>1</sup>**

**Corrigendum to ANNEX I<sup>2</sup> and page 4 - Programming table  
(Budget line: 15 02 77 10) concerning the name of the "Actions"**

**For:**

<b>WPI (*)</b>	<b>Actions</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Mode of implementation</b>
<b>1.10</b>	Improving the evidence base for HEPA policies	300.000	CFP
<b>1.20</b>	Promotion of HEPA policy measures and actions for refugees	300.000	PP

(\*) WPI: Work Programme Index  
CFP: Grants awarded with a call for proposals  
PP: Public Procurement

***Please read instead:***

<b>WPI (*)</b>	<b>Actions</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Mode of implementation</b>
<b>1.10</b>	Promotion of HEPA policy measures and actions for refugees	300.000	CFP
<b>1.20</b>	Improving the evidence base for HEPA policies	300.000	PP

(\*) WPI: Work Programme Index  
CFP: Grants awarded with a call for proposals  
PP: Public Procurement

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<sup>1</sup> After adoption of Decision C(2016)1848  
<sup>2</sup> C(2016)1848