

Governing Board

DECISION GB(D)15-2023

Approving the request to increase the Union contribution for the SESAR 3 JU as a result of the association of the United Kingdom to the Horizon Europe Programme

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SESAR 3 JOINT UNDERTAKING ("SESAR 3 JU"),

Having regard to:

- Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012¹, in particular Articles 62(1), point (c)(iv), 71 and 154,
- European Parliament and Council Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination, and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1290/2013 and (EU) No 1291/2013 ("Horizon Europe Regulation"), and in particular Articles 16(5),
- Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014² ("Single Basic Act"), as last amended by Council Regulation (EU) 2023/1782 of 25 July 2023, in particular Articles 10, 145 and 146,
- The SESAR 3 JU Membership Agreement approved under Governing Board's decision ref. GB(D)10-2022, in particular Articles 8 and 19,
- The SESAR 3 JU EUROCONTROL Administrative Agreement approved under Governing Board's decision ref. GB(D)15-2022,

Whereas:

- (1) The Union financial contribution to the SESAR 3 JU shall cover administrative and operational costs up to EUR 600 000 000, while the private members shall make a contribution of at least EUR 500 000 000 and EUROCONTROL shall make a contribution up to EUR 500 000 000.
- (2) The amount of the Union contribution to the SESAR 3 JU may be increased with contributions from third countries associated to Horizon Europe in line with Article 16(5) of the Horizon Europe Regulation and provided that the total amount by which



¹ OJ L 193/30.07.2018, p. 1

² OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17



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the Union contribution is increased is at least matched by the contribution of members other than the Union, or their constituent or affiliated entities.

- (3) On 4 December 2023, the European Union and the UK signed an agreement on the association of the UK to Horizon Europe, effective as of 1 January 2024³.
- (4) As a consequence, the SESAR 3 JU should request to the European Commission for an increase of the EU contribution by EUR 30 000 000 for the remaining period of Horizon Europe and the members other than the Union should commit to the same amount;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The members other than the Union and EUROCONTROL, or their constituent or affiliated entities, agree to collectively increase the amount of their contribution to SESAR 3 JU by up to EUR 30 000 000 over a period ending on 31 Dember 2031, in case the Union contribution would increase.

Article 2

This increase shall not have any impact on the amount of financial contributions to administrative costs of SESAR 3 JU.

Article 3

This decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done in Brussels, 14 December 2023.

For the SESAR 3 JU Governing Board

The Chairperson

³ OJ L 2023/2731, 05.12.2023, p.1 - Decision No 1/2023 of the specialised committee on participation in union programmes established by article 8(1), point (s), of the trade and cooperation agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, of the other part, of 4 December 2023.

