

**DECISION 38/2018**  
**OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF**  
**THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY (EIT)**

**ON THE ALLOCATION OF THE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR THE START-UP GRANT TO THE TWO  
NEWLY DESIGNATED KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION COMMUNITIES  
'EIT URBAN MOBILITY' AND 'EIT MANUFACTURING'**

**THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY,**

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 294/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 establishing the European Institute of Innovation and Technology<sup>1</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EU) No 1292/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013<sup>2</sup> (hereinafter "EIT Regulation"), and in particular Articles 14 and 20(8) and Section 2(a) of the Statutes annexed to the EIT Regulation;

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013<sup>3</sup> of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC<sup>4</sup>, and in particular Article 8 thereof;

Having regard to Decision No 1312/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the Strategic Innovation Agenda of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)<sup>5</sup>;

Having regard to the Decision of the Governing Board of the EIT of 27 December 2013 on adopting the Financial Regulation for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology<sup>6</sup>, as amended by Decision 6/2015 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 5 March 2015<sup>7</sup> and by Decision 11/2016 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 20 April 2016<sup>8</sup>, in particular Article 90 thereof;

Having regard to Decision 1/2018 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 26 January 2018 on the adoption of the Draft Single Programming Document (2019-2021) of the EIT<sup>9</sup>, and its revision by Decision 21/2018 of the Governing Board of the EIT<sup>10</sup>;

Having regard to Decision 10/2018 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 22 March 2018 on the principles for the determination of the 2019 EIT financial allocation and for the prospective distribution of the EIT Budget for 2020<sup>11</sup>;

<sup>1</sup> OJ L97 of 09.04.2008, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L347 of 20.12.2013, p. 174.

<sup>3</sup> OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104–173

<sup>4</sup> OJ L 412, 30.12.2006, p. 1–43

<sup>5</sup> OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 892–923

<sup>6</sup> 28/GB/2013 01364.EIT.2014.I.

<sup>7</sup> 00101.EIT.2015.I.GB.34

<sup>8</sup> 04141.EIT.2016.I.GB.41

<sup>9</sup> 00241.EIT.2018.I.GB.WP

<sup>10</sup> 04512.EIT.2018.I.GB.WP

Having regard to Decision 32/2018 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 15 November 2018 on the allocation of 2019 financial contribution to the Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs)<sup>12</sup>;

Having regard to Decision 36/2018 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 4 December 2018 on the selection and designation of 'EIT Urban Mobility'<sup>13</sup>;

Having regard to Decision 37/2018 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 5 December 2018 on the selection and designation of 'EIT Manufacturing'<sup>14</sup>

## WHEREAS

- (1) The EIT has designated on 4-5 December 2018 two new Knowledge and Innovation Communities (KICs) in the areas of Urban Mobility and Added-Value Manufacturing.
- (2) Point XI.2, Annex XI Grants 2019 of the Draft Single Programming Document (2019-2021) of the EIT states that the EIT will provide the two newly designated KICs with Start-up Grants during the start-up phase. The indicative amount for the grant is from EUR 2 million to 4 million per KIC (i.e. maximum EUR 8 million in total).
- (3) The purpose of the start-up grant is to support the efficient setting up of the two KICs, by covering the eligible costs of, inter alia, the establishment of legal structures, including the set-up of the KIC Legal Entity; the recruitment and appointment of a CEO and other core staff; the coordination and signature of the internal agreements formalising the engagement of partner organisation; and the preparation of the first KIC Business Plan.

## HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

### Article 1

#### *Maximum amount of the start-up grant*

- (1) The maximum EIT financial contribution for the start-up grant for EIT Urban Mobility shall be EUR 4 million, covering the period from the date of submission of the Start-up Plan until 31 December 2019.
- (2) The maximum EIT financial contribution for the start-up grant for EIT Manufacturing shall be EUR 4 million, covering the period from the date of submission of the Start-up Plan until 31 December 2019.

### Article 2

#### *Final amount of the start-up grant*

- (1) The final amount of the start-up grant of EIT Urban Mobility shall be determined in the award decision to be made by the EIT Director, Authorising Officer, based on the evaluation and approval of the Start-up Plan of EIT Urban Mobility, as result of the 2019 Call for Start-up Plan proposals and estimated budgets in the area of Urban Mobility.

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<sup>11</sup> 00301.EIT.2017.I.GB45

<sup>12</sup> Ref. Ares(2018)587254

<sup>13</sup> Ref. Ares(2018)6260797

<sup>14</sup> Ref. Ares(2018)6261053

- (2) The final amount of the start-up grant of EIT Manufacturing shall be determined in the award decision to be made by the EIT Director, Authorising Officer, based on the evaluation and approval of the Start-up Plan of EIT Manufacturing, as result of the 2019 Call for Start-up Plan proposals and estimated budgets in the area of Manufacturing.

**Article 3**  
***Conditions***

The EIT financial contribution provided for in the present decision is subject to the final adoption of the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2019, which will determine the amount of the EU funding to the EIT in 2019, and to the adoption of the EIT Budget for 2019. In case of a reduction of the EU finding to the EIT, the maximum EIT financial contribution for the start-up grant of the two KICs shall be amended proportionally.

**Article 4**  
***Entry into force***

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

Done in Budapest, 5 December 2018

For the EIT

Dirk Jan van den Berg

Chairman of the EIT Governing Board