

**DECISION 42/2018**  
**OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF**  
**THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY (EIT)**

**ON THE ADOPTION OF THE FINAL SINGLE PROGRAMMING DOCUMENT (2019-2021)**  
**OF THE EIT**

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 the "EIT Regulation"), and in particular Article 15 and Section 2 (a) of the Statutes annexed to the EIT Regulation;

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>3</sup> (hereinafter the "Financial Regulation"), and in particular Articles 84, 128 and 138 thereof;

Having regard to the Decision of Governing Board of the EIT of 27 December 2013 adopting the Financial Regulation for the European Institute of Innovation and Technology,<sup>4</sup> as amended by Decision No 6/2015 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 5 March 2015<sup>5</sup> and by Decision 11/2016 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 20 April 2016<sup>6</sup> (hereinafter the "EIT Financial Regulation"), and in particular Article 32 (1), Article 33(8) and Article 68 (2) thereof;

Having regard to 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>7</sup> (hereinafter the "Rules of Application"), and in particular Article 94 and 111(4) thereof;

Having regard to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1271/2013<sup>8</sup> of 30 September 2013 on the framework financial regulation for the bodies referred to in Article 208 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council (hereinafter the 'Framework Financial Regulation');

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): the contribution of the EIT to a more innovative Europe<sup>9</sup> (hereinafter the "Strategic Innovation Agenda");

<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 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

<sup>4</sup> 01364.EIT.2014.I.

<sup>5</sup> 00101.EIT.2015.I.GB34

<sup>6</sup> 04141.EIT.2016.I.GB.41

<sup>7</sup> OJ L 362, 31.12.2012, p. 1

<sup>8</sup> OJ L 328, 7.12.2013, p.42

<sup>9</sup> OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 892.

Having regard to the Commission Communication<sup>10</sup> on the guidelines for programming document for decentralised agencies and the template for the Consolidated Annual Activity Report for decentralised agencies;

Having regard to Decision 1/2018 of the Governing Board of the EIT of 26 January 2018 adopting the Draft Single Programming Document 2019-2021<sup>11</sup>;

Having regard to the Commission opinion adopted on 14 December 2018<sup>12</sup>;

## WHEREAS

- (1) Article 32 (1) of the EIT Financial Regulation and of the Framework Financial Regulation provides that the EIT shall draw up a programming document containing multiannual and annual programming taking into account guidelines set by the Commission.
- (2) The guidelines for a Single Programming Document (SPD) have been issued by the Commission. It is stated in the Commission Communication that the SPD will *“form the multi-annual and annual work programmes referred to in the founding regulation of each agency”*.
- (3) The Single Programming Document shall contain a statement of the main priorities and planned initiatives of the EIT and the KICs, an estimate of financing needs and sources as well as appropriate indicators for monitoring.
- (4) Pursuant to Article 33 (5) of the EIT Financial Regulation, the draft SPD has to be submitted to the Commission, the European Parliament and the Council no later than 31 January in year N-1.
- (5) According to the Commission Communication, the European Commission shall deliver an opinion on the Draft Single Programming Document by 1 July year N-1.
- (6) The EIT shall take due account of the European Commission opinion and, in the event of disagreement, justify its position.
- (7) The final Single Programming Document shall be adopted by the EIT Governing Board and transmitted by the EIT to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Commission, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee for the Regions for information.
- (8) The 2019 work programme constitutes a financing decision for the activities it covers since the elements set out in Article 32(3) of the Framework Financial Regulation and in Article 84 of the Financial Regulation and in Article 94 of the Rules of Application are clearly identified.
- (9) In order to provide for some degree of flexibility while applying specific actions covered by this decision, it is necessary to foresee a possibility for the authorising officer to introduce non substantial changes on

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<sup>10</sup> Ref. Ares(2014)4305716 - 19/12/2014 Brussels, 16.12.2014 C(2014) 9641 final

<sup>11</sup> 00241.EIT.2018.I.GB.WP

<sup>12</sup> ref: C(2018)8521

specific actions. Such changes should not, however, have a disproportionate impact on the budget line concerned and they should not significantly affect the nature and objectives of the action.

- (10) The EIT Governing Board shall adopt the Final Single Programming Document of the EIT for 2019-2021 together with the budget of the EIT and the establishment plan for 2019.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

**Article 1**  
***Adoption***

The Final Single Programming Document of the EIT for 2019-2021, as annexed to the present decision is hereby adopted.

**Article 2**  
***Entry into force***

The present decision shall enter into force on the day of its signature. It will be published on the EIT website.

*Done in Budapest on 20 December 2018<sup>13</sup>*

*Dirk Jan van den Berg*  
*Chairman of the EIT Governing Board*

***Annex: Final Single Programming Document of the EIT (2019-2021)***

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<sup>13</sup> *Approved by written procedure on 20 December 2018*