

DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

approving the Back Office Arrangement for Accounting (excluding Treasury services) N° 5/2022

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SMART NETWORKS AND SERVICES JOINT UNDERTAKING, (hereafter referred as the "SNS JU")

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 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 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014ⁱ, and in particular Articles 13, 17(1) and 19(4)(w) thereof;

Whereas:

- (1) According to Article 13(1) of the Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085, in order to gain synergies and efficiencies, Joint Undertakings established by this Regulation should operate back office arrangements (hereafter "BOAs) in several areas listed in this article,
- (2) Those BOAs should be operated by the Joint Undertaking established under Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085, within one year following the date of entry into force of this Regulation,
- (3) The establishment of those BOAs should take the form of service level agreements, subject to the need to guarantee an equivalent level of protection of the Union's financial interest when entrusting budgetary implementation tasks to joint undertakings,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Governing Board of the SNS JU hereby approves the Back Office Arrangement proposed for the Accounting services (excluding Treasury services) and gives mandate to the Executive Director to negotiate and sign a Service Level Agreement linked to the implementation of this Back Office Arrangement agreed by the Governing Board.

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, on 14 December 2022.

For the Governing Board

Colin Willcock

The Chairperson

ⁱ OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17–119