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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 1046/2018 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010<sup>1</sup> and in particular Article 18(1) thereof,

### Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Decision C(2014)1921 of 26 March 2014 established a Multi-Annual Work Programme for financial assistance in the field of Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Transport sector for the period 2014-2020 ('Multi-Annual Work Programme').
- (2) Commission Implementing Decision C(2019) 2743<sup>2</sup> of 12 April 2019 amended Implementing Decision C(2014)1921 in order to establish the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Transport Blending Facility.
- (3) The Transport Blending Facility is a cooperation framework between the Commission and Implementing Partners aimed to address market failures in the financing of certain transport infrastructure sectors. It focuses primarily on two CEF funding objectives: deployment of alternative fuels as defined in Article 2(1) of Directive (EU) No 2014/94 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>3</sup> and in accordance with Article 33 of the TEN-T Regulation<sup>4</sup>, and deployment of European Railway Traffic Management System in accordance with Article 13(a) of the TEN-T Regulation.
- (4) Pursuant to Implementing Decision C(2019) 2743 the Commission launched the 2019 CEF Transport Blending Facility rolling call for proposals on 15 November 2019. The call consists in 5 cut-off dates: 16 March 2020, 15 June 2020, 25 September 2020, 15 December 2020 and 15 March 2021. It aims at supporting projects of common interest in the two funding objectives referred to in recital (3).

<sup>2</sup> Commission Implementing Decision C(2019) 2743 of 12 April 2019 amending the Multi-Annual work programme 2014-2020 on the financing of the Connecting Europe Facility - Transport sector.

Directive 2014/94/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2014 on the deployment of alternative fuels infrastructure, OJ L 307, 28.10.2014.

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OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 129.

Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on Union guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network, OJ L 348, 20.12.2013.

- (5) Following the call for proposals, and based on the eligibility, selection and award criteria laid down in the Multi-Annual work programme and in the call text, the Commission selected 5 projects of common interest under the 2nd cut-off date (15 June 2020), out of which 4 contribute to the objective 'deployment of alternative fuels' and 1 to the objective 'deployment of European Rail Traffic Management System'. The total recommended funding is € 54,764,667, out of which € 37,989,667 for the first objective and € 16,775,000 for the second one. The reasons for the selection or rejection of proposals are set out in the call evaluation report which includes individual evaluation forms.
- (6) The Commission, acting in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 25(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council should decide on the amount of financial assistance to be granted to the projects or parts of projects selected.
- (7) The list of projects of common interest selected by this Decision is in accordance with the opinion of the Connecting Europe Facility Coordination Committee.

### HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

#### Sole Article

The lists of projects of common interest selected and not selected for receiving EU financial assistance under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) – Transport sector based on the Multi-Annual Work Programme 2014-2020 in accordance with Implementing Decision C(2014)1921, including for the selected projects the estimated total eligible costs of the actions, the percentage of the financial contribution out of the estimated total eligible costs and the respective maximum amounts of the financial contribution, as laid down respectively in Part I and Part II of the Annex, are approved.

Done at Brussels, 6.11.2020

For the Commission Adina-Ioana VĂLEAN Member of the Commission