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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 of 25 June 2002 on the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities\(^1\) (hereinafter the 'Financial Regulation'), and in particular Article 49(6) and Article 75(2) thereof,


Whereas:

(1) In accordance with Article 75 of the Financial Regulation and Article 90(1) of the Implementing Rules, the commitment of expenditure from the Community budget shall be preceded by a financing decision setting out the essential elements of the action involving expenditure and adopted by the institution or the authorities to which powers have been delegated by the institution.

(2) This financing decision may also cover the payment of default interest due on the basis of Article 83 of the Financial Regulation and Article 106(5) of the Implementing Rules.

(3) The term ‘substantial change’ within the meaning of Article 90(4) of the Implementing Rules should be defined for the purposes of applying this Decision.

(4) This preparatory action aims at developing and validating an information and booking system for European travellers across transport modes,

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

This financing decision to finance a preparatory action in the field of mobility and transport, set out in the Annex, is adopted.

\(^1\) OJ L 248, 16.9.2002

\(^2\) OJ L 357, 31.12.2002
Article 2

The maximum contribution authorised by this Decision for the implementation of the preparatory action is set at EUR 1 500 000, to be financed from the following line of the General Budget of the European Union for 2012:

– budget line 06 02 14: EUR 1 500 000

These appropriations may also cover default interest.

Article 3

Amendments as regards allocations to specific actions, not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution authorised by this Decision, are not to be considered substantial, provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objective of the action. This may include an increase of up to 20% in the maximum contribution authorised by this financing decision.

Done at Brussels, 8.6.2012

For the Commission
Siim KALLAS
Member of the Commission
ANNEX

Objective(s):

This preparatory action aims to connect existing local, regional, national and international traveller information systems as well as to offer the international public information and the possibility of purchasing tickets through a single, multilingual interface. This initiative should aim at:

- creating a European transport information interface which would be easy to access and provide passengers with real-time data for any trip in Europe and for any transport mode; this interface could also provide some information on passenger rights and the environmental footprint of each trip (CO2 emissions, fuel consumption, etc.) so as to allow a comparison between transport modes,

- creating an online booking tool which would facilitate travelling through Europe, as well as a journey planner, a journey pricing tool, an availability requests management tool and a ticket integration tool,

- connecting international traveller information systems.

The initiative, in line with the ‘White Paper Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area – Towards a competitive and resource efficient transport system’, considers that the travel experience should be as easy as for local travellers. One of the ten objectives of the White Paper is to establish by 2020 a framework for an information, management and payment system for multimodal European transport.

Expected result(s):

The preparatory action should be based on Commission Regulation (EU) No 454/2011 of 5 May 2011 concerning the technical specification for interoperability relating to the subsystem ‘telematics applications for passenger services’ of the trans-European rail system (OJ L 123, 12.5.2011, p. 11). In a first stage, the preparatory action should apply only to a limited number of countries, a few languages and a limited set of data. It should be based on different scenarios presenting different combinations of modes of transport. Particular attention should be paid to the reservation of assistance for persons with reduced mobility (PRMs).
**CONTRACT FOR EXPENDITURE RELATED TO A PREPARATORY ACTION**

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| Amount covered by the Annex to this Decision for financing the abovementioned budget line | 1 500 000 |

**Details of grants**

- N/A

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Q1: 1st quarter, Q2: 2nd quarter, Q3: 3rd quarter, Q4: 4th quarter