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COMMISSION DECISION

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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) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012¹, and in particular Articles 130 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development ('EBRD') concluded a Framework Arrangement signed by the European Commission on 13 December 2017² ('previous Framework Arrangement'), which interpreted and supplemented the previous contractual template for delegation agreements in indirect management³.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 130 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 the Commission may establish Financial Framework Partnership Agreements ('FFPA') for a long-term cooperation with entities implementing Union funds in indirect management; it lays down the possible forms of financial and administrative cooperation between the European Commission and entities implementing Union funds and the principles governing such cooperation.
- (3) Article 156 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 recognises international organisations and specialised agencies set up by such organisations within the meaning of Article 62 (1) (c) (ii) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 as implementing partners in indirect management.
- (4) The European Commission opened the negotiations for the conclusion of a new FFPA. This new FFPA is to replace the previous Framework Arrangement. The negotiations were finalised on 22 June 2022.
- (5) The new FFPA should be approved,

¹ OJ L p. 1. 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1.

² ISC/2017/07911.

³ Commission Decision C (2016) 5104 of 16 June 2016 on the adoption of a model Pillar Assessed Grant or Delegation Agreement (PAGoDA 2).

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The adoption of the Financial Framework Partnership Agreement ('FFPA') between the Commission and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development ('EBRD'), attached to this Decision, is hereby approved, replacing the previous Framework Arrangement between the Commission and the EBRD, signed in 2017.

The Commissioner for International Partnerships or the person designated by her for this purpose is authorised to sign the FFPA referred to in the first paragraph on behalf of the Commission.

Done at Brussels, 21.9.2022

For the Commission
Jutta URPILAINEN
Member of the Commission