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SUMMARY

Health Programme — Work Programme for 2018

The annex to Commission Implementing Decision C(2017) 8350 of 13 December 2017, sets out the priorities and actions to be undertaken for the year 2018, including the allocation of resources, to implement the Third Programme of the Union's action in the field of health (2014-2020) established under Regulation (EU) No 282/2014 ('the Programme Regulation').

According to Article 11 of the Programme Regulation, the Commission is required to adopt, by means of implementing acts, annual work programmes to set out, in particular, actions to be undertaken, including the indicative allocation of financial resources. These actions should fall under the four objectives and 23 thematic priorities identified in Annex I to the Programme Regulation:

1. Promoting health, preventing diseases and fostering supportive environments for healthy lifestyles taking into account the 'health in all policies' principle;
2. Protecting Union citizens from serious cross-border threats to health;
3. Contributing to innovative, efficient and sustainable health systems;
4. Facilitating access to better and safer healthcare for Union citizens.

The allocation of **resources** for 2018 is as follows:

for grants (implemented under direct management) (chapter 2): EUR 39 890 000

Projects: EUR 20 850 000

Joint Actions: EUR 7 900 000

Operating Grants: EUR 5 000 000

Direct Grants: EUR 6 140 000

for prizes (implemented under direct management (chapter 3): EUR 60 000

for procurement (implemented under direct management) (chapter 4): EUR 14 730 701

for other actions (chapter 5): EUR 7 399 000

The total available budget for 2018 is EUR 62 079 701.

The full version of the annexes after adoption of the Work Programme 2018 will be available only in English and accessible at http://ec.europa.eu/health/programme/policy/index_en.htm.

Actions Proposed for funding

GRANTS

Grants for projects

Under the overall operational budget reserved for grants, **EUR 20 850 000** will be reserved for projects. The maximum rate for EU co-financing is 60 %. However, this may be up to 80 % if a proposal meets the criteria for exceptional utility.

Actions under objective 1

- Implementation of best practices — promotion of good health, prevention of non-communicable diseases and scaling up integrated care

Actions under objective 3

- Supporting Member States voluntary cooperation in the area of pricing through the Euripid Collaboration

Actions under objective 4

- Orpha codes Project
- Multiannual specific grant agreements for European Reference Networks

Grants for actions co-financed with Member State authorities

Under the overall operational budget reserved for grants, **EUR 7 900 000** will be reserved for grants for actions co-financed with Member State authorities. The maximum rate for EU co-financing is 60 %. However, this may be up to 80 % if a proposal meets the criteria for exceptional utility.

Actions under objective 2

- Joint Action to strengthen preparedness in the EU against serious cross-border threats to health and support the implementation of International Health Regulations (IHR)

Financial contribution to the functioning of non-governmental bodies (operating grants) (related to all programme objectives)

Under the overall operational budget reserved for grants, **EUR 5 000 000** will be reserved for operating grants. The maximum rate for EU co-financing is 60 %. However, this may be up to 80 % if a proposal meets the criteria for exceptional utility.

Direct grant agreements with international organisations

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for actions implemented via direct amounts to **EUR 6 140 000**.

Actions under objective 1

- Direct Grant to the WHO/FCTC (Framework Convention on Tobacco Control)

Actions under objective 4

- Direct Grant for SoHo with Council of Europe's EDQM (Council of Europe's European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines and Healthcare)

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- Direct Grant to the OECD

Other Direct Grants

Actions under objective 4

- Orphanet
- Direct Grant to the European Reference Network on urogenital diseases and conditions (ERN eUROGEN)

Transversal

- Presidency conference grants — De jure monopoly

PRIZES

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for prizes amounts to **EUR 60 000**. The **EU Health Award for NGOs** focuses on practices and interventions which support the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in priority health topics chosen by the Steering Group on Health Promotion and Prevention and Management of Non-Communicable Diseases or the Health Security Committee.

PROCUREMENT

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for procurement contracts in 2018 amounts to **EUR 14 730 701**. These activities are implemented through service contracts based on existing framework contracts, service contracts or new framework contracts.

Actions under objective 1

- Support to Member States in reducing alcohol related harm
- Evaluation of the public health impact of the provisions of Article 32 of Directive 2008/118/EC
- Provision of technical and scientific input to support the application, enforcement and monitoring of the Tobacco Products Directive 2014/40/EU

Actions under objective 2

Actions under Multiple Framework Contract for the ‘Scripting, planning, conduction and evaluation of exercises, training and assessment implementing the Decision No 1082/2013/EU on serious cross-border threats to health’

Actions under objective 3

- Health innovation and eHealth — support to the implementation of the Digital Single Market
- Scientific and technical assistance for the Expert Panel on effective ways of investing in health
- Clinical trial EU Portal and Database
- Translations, info campaigns, publications etc. related to medical devices
- Development of the future EUDAMED (the European medical devices database for the new Regulations on medical devices and in vitro diagnostic medical devices)
- Maintenance and required developments of the existing Eudamed

Actions under objective 4

- Assessment of healthcare providers wishing to join established European Reference Networks (ERN) by Independent Assessment Bodies
- ERN implementation, including coordination, capacity building, communication, exchange of information and best practices and other networking support actions

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- Framework contract: support services to manage expert groups
- Scientific Committees and provision of targeted risk assessment in case of a chemical and environmental incident of cross border relevance
- Communication on the Health Programme and dissemination
- Dissemination of the results of the Health Programme
- ICT

OTHER ACTIONS

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for other actions in 2018 amounts to **EUR 7 399 000**.

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- Direct Agreement with the Joint Reserch Centre

Actions under objective 1

- Direct Agreement with the Joint Research Centre: Support work on e-cigarettes, ingredients and security features
- Sub-delegation to Eurostat implemented through direct award of grants for morbidity statistics

- Cross sub-delegation to Eurostat implemented through direct award of grants for testing new modules/variables for future European Health Interview Survey (EHIS) waves

Actions under objective 3

- Expert Panel on effective ways of investing in Health – Special indemnities paid to experts
- Organisation and management of the meetings of the Medical Device Coordination Group (MDCG) and its subgroups
- Technical and scientific opinions and advices – on medical devices (JRC)
- Medical Devices Reimbursement of experts' expenses for joint assessments carried out by several Member State authorities and the Commission services assessing the application for designation of notified bodies or extension and renewal of designations
- Joint Audit Programme (JAP) on Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) inspections for Mutual Recognition Agreement on GMP inspection between the EU and the US and other strategic partners
- International Cooperation on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH) and VICH Outreach Forum (VOF)
- Active pharmaceutical ingredients: system inspections in non-EU countries
- International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use (ICH) and International Pharmaceutical Regulators Forum (IRPF)
- Sub-delegation to Eurostat implemented through direct award of grants for non-monetary health care statistics
- Annual Commission membership fee to the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies

Transversal

- Scientific Committees and provision of targeted risk assessment in case of a chemical and environmental incident of cross border relevance
- Expert Evaluators