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Commitment of the host institution for ERC Calls 2017^{1, 2, 3}

The <<please fill in here the name of the legal entity that is associated to the proposal and may host the principal investigator and the project (action) in case the application is successful>>, which is the applicant legal entity,

confirms its intention to sign a supplementary agreement with <<please fill in here the name of the principal investigator>>

in which the obligations listed below will be addressed should the proposal entitled <<acronym>> : <<title of the proposal>>

be retained.

Performance obligations of the *applicant legal entity* that will become the beneficiary of the H2020 ERC Grant Agreement (hereafter referred to as the Agreement), should the proposal be retained and the preparation of the Agreement be successfully concluded:

The *applicant legal entity* commits itself to hosting [and engaging] the *principal investigator* for the duration of the grant to:

- a) **ensure that the work will be performed under the scientific guidance of the *principal investigator* who is expected to devote:**
 - ***in the case of a Starting Grant at least 50% of her/his total working time to the ERC-funded project (action) and spend at least 50% of her/his total working time in an EU Member State or Associated Country;***
 - ***in the case of a Consolidator Grant at least 40% of her/his total working time to the ERC-funded project (action) and spend at least 50% of her/his total working time in an EU Member State or Associated Country;***
 - ***in the case of an Advanced Grant at least 30% of her/his total working time to the ERC-funded project (action) and spend at least 50% of her/his total working time in an EU Member State or Associated Country.***

¹ A scanned copy of the signed statement should be uploaded electronically via the Participant Portal Submission Service in PDF format.

² The statement of commitment of the host institution refers to most obligations of the host institution, which are stated in the H2020 ERC Model Grant Agreement (MGA). The H2020 ERC MGA is available on the ERC website at <http://erc.europa.eu> & http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/reference_docs.html. The reference to the time commitment of the Principal Investigator is stated in the ERC Work Programme 2017.

³ This statement (on letterhead paper) shall be signed by the institution's legal representative and stating his/her name, function, email address and stamp of the institution.

- b) carry out the work to be performed, as it will be identified in Annex 1 of the Agreement, taking into consideration the specific role of the *principal investigator*;
- c) enter — before signature of the Agreement — into a ‘*supplementary agreement*’ with the *principal investigator*, that specifies the obligation of the *applicant legal entity* to meet its obligations under the Agreement;
- d) provide the *principal investigator* with a copy of the signed Agreement;
- e) guarantee the *principal investigator's* scientific independence, in particular for the:
 - i) use of the budget to achieve the scientific objectives;
 - ii) authority to publish as senior author and invite as co-authors those who have contributed substantially to the work;
 - iii) preparation of scientific reports for the project (action);
 - iv) selection and supervision of the other *team members* (hosted [*and engaged*] by the *applicant legal entity* or other legal entities), in line with the profiles needed to conduct the research and in accordance with the *applicant legal entity's* usual management practices;
 - v) possibility to apply independently for funding;
 - vi) access to appropriate space and facilities for conducting the research;
- f) provide — during the implementation of the project (action) — research support to the *principal investigator* and the team members (regarding infrastructure, equipment, access rights, products and other services necessary for conducting the research);
- g) support the *principal investigator* and provide administrative assistance, in particular for the:
 - i) general management of the work and his/her team
 - ii) scientific reporting, especially ensuring that the team members send their scientific results to the *principal investigator*;
 - iii) financial reporting, especially providing timely and clear financial information;
 - iv) application of the *applicant legal entity's* usual management practices;
 - v) general logistics of the project (action);
 - vi) access to the electronic exchange system (see Article 52 of the Agreement);

- h) inform the *principal investigator* immediately (in writing) of any events or circumstances likely to affect the Agreement (see Article 17 of the Agreement);
- i) ensure that the *principal investigator* enjoys adequate:
 - i) conditions for annual, sickness and parental leave;
 - ii) occupational health and safety standards;
 - iii) insurance under the general social security scheme, such as pension rights;
- j) allow the transfer of the Agreement to a new beneficiary ('portability'; see Article 56a of the Agreement).
- k) take all measures to implement the principles set out in the Commission Recommendation on the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers⁴ - in particular regarding working conditions, transparent recruitment processes based on merit and career development – and ensure that the *principal investigator*, researchers and third parties involved in the project (action) are aware of them.

For the host institution (applicant legal entity):

Date

Name and Function

_____ ; _____

Email and Signature of legal representative

_____ ; _____

Stamp of the host institution (applicant legal entity)

IMPORTANT NOTE: In order to be complete all the above mentioned items are mandatory and shall be included in the commitment of the host institution.

⁴ Commission Recommendation 2005/251/EC of 11 March 2005 on the European Charter for Researchers and on a Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers (OJ L 75, 22.3.2005, p. 67).