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PROPOSAL

From: Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Ms Martine DEPREZ, Director

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To: Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

Subject: ANNEX to the Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community as regards certain changes to the rules on the procurement of goods and services applicable to the Transport Community Permanent Secretariat

Delegations will find attached document COM(2025) 669 annex.

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**DECISION No 2025/.....
OF THE REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE
OF THE TRANSPORT COMMUNITY**

of

amending the Annex to the Financial Rules and Auditing procedures applicable to the Transport Community, adopted pursuant to Decision No. 2022/02 of the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community of 15 December 2022

THE REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE TRANSPORT COMMUNITY,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the Transport Community, in particular Article 24(1) and Article 35 thereof,

Having regard to Decision No. 2022/02 of the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community of 15 December 2022 on the Financial Rules and Auditing Procedures applicable to the Transport Community,

Whereas:

- (1) The existing Annex to the Financial Rules and Auditing Procedures applicable to the Transport Community, adopted pursuant to Decision No. 2022/02 of the Regional Steering Committee, does not explicitly address instances where relevant provisions on the procurement of goods, works or services are absent or unspecified.
- (2) The procurement procedures for certain simple and low-value goods and services necessitate a simpler and more efficient framework to ensure effective implementation.
- (3) It is imperative to enhance the procurement framework to allow for smoother execution of procurement procedures while ensuring competitiveness, transparency and equal treatment in the procurement process.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to the Financial Rules and Auditing Procedures applicable to the Transport Community, adopted pursuant to Decision No. 2022/02 of the Regional Steering Committee, is amended as follows:

- (a) In Section 3, the following point is added:

“4.2 Simplified Procedure for Low-Value Services

For the procurement of simple, straight forward and routine services and supplies, where the precise volume and timing of delivery can be defined at the outset, including but not limited to venue hire, restaurant services, translation, equipment rental and purchase of items, where the estimated total value does not exceed EUR 20,000 (excluding VAT), a simplified procurement procedure shall apply.

This procedure shall consist of:

- (a) Collecting at least three (3) offers from eligible providers;
- (b) Evaluating the offers based on key factors such as price and ability to deliver the services or supplies;
- (c) Awarding the contract and finalising it through a purchase order or a simplified direct contract.

This simplified procedure shall ensure adequate market consultation, while reducing administrative burdens. A record of the offers collected and the evaluation process shall be kept in order to allow proper audit trail and ensure the transparency of the process”.

(b) The following Section is added:

“5. Section 4

5.1 In cases where the current Annex does not provide explicit provisions, the rules and principles set forth in Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on public procurement and repealing Directive 2004/18/EC¹ shall apply, with the necessary adaptations”.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its adoption.

Done in [.....], on [.....] 2025

For the Regional Steering Committee

The President

¹ OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 65, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2014/24/2024-01-01>.