

DECISION
GB(D)10-2023

on the participation of the SESAR 3 JOINT UNDERTAKING to Back Office Arrangements

THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SESAR 3 JOINT UNDERTAKING (“SESAR 3 JU”),

Having regard to:

- Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014¹ (“Single Basic Act”), in particular, Articles 13.1, 19.1, 19.4(a), (h), (n), (m), (q), 19.6, 157 and 158;
- SESAR 3 JU Financial Rules adopted by the Governing Board on 13 December 2021 (hereafter the “Financial Rules”) and in particular Article 43;
- Administrative Agreement between the Single European Sky ATM Research 3 Joint Undertaking and EUROCONTROL ref. S3JU/LC/005-CTR; (hereafter the “Administrative Agreement”), signed by both parties on 15 December 2022 in compliance with Articles 157 and 158 of Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021;
- Governing Board decision GB(D)15-2022 on the delegation of power of signature of the Administrative Agreement to the Executive Director of the SESAR 3 JU.

Whereas:

1. Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085, in its Article 13(1) determines the principles for the establishment and operation of the back office arrangements (hereafter “BOAs”).
2. The establishment of BOAs should take the form of Service Level Agreements signed by the Executive Directors.
3. In accordance with Article 158 of Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085, Article 13 of this Council Regulation shall not apply to the SESAR 3 JU and Eurocontrol shall provide the back office arrangements under the Administrative Agreement.
4. Without prejudice to the above, the involvement of SESAR 3 JU in some of the activities under the BOA arrangements established or under establishment with other Joint Undertakings, could bring benefits to the SESAR 3 JU by exploiting synergies and allow a best use of the available resources.
5. SESAR 3 JU has already concluded Service Level Agreements with other Joint Undertakings for the provision of accounting services on 30 November 2022 and joint procurement activities on 22 March 2023.
6. SESAR 3 JU has identified an interest to participate in BOAs related to IT and HR and may consider other BOAs in the future.
7. The Executive Director shall keep the Governing Board informed about the conclusion of any BOA and of their operations, in particular highlighting the benefits for the SESAR 3 JU.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

¹ OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p.17-119


Article 1

The participation of the SESAR 3 JU in the Back Office Arrangements in accordance with Article 13 of Council Regulation (EU) No 2021/2085 is approved, when it is in the best interest of the SESAR 3 JU.

Article 2

This decision shall enter into force on 26 June 2023.

Done in Brussels, 26 June 2023.

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For the Governing Board

The Chairperson

F. Cornelis