

**DECISION  
GB(D)03-2024**

**Selection of Associated Members of the SESAR 3 JU**

**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 642/2014<sup>1</sup> (“Single Basic Act”), as last amended by Council Regulation (EU) 2023/1782 of 25 July 2023, and in particular its Articles 2(3), 6, 7, 19(4) (k), 28 and 144 therein,
- The SESAR 3 JU Governing Board’s Decision GB(D)07-2021 of 14 December 2021, adopting the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Board and in particular article 10,
- The SESAR 3 JU Governing Board’s Decision GB(D)10-2022 of 27 June 2022 on the approval of the Membership Agreement between the SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking members other than the Union,
- The SESAR 3 JU Governing Board’s decision GB(D)14-2023 of 14 December 2023 approving the Call for Expression of Interests with a view to selecting Associated Members with the potential to contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the SESAR 3 JU,

**Whereas:**

- (1) On 15 December 2023, upon adoption of the above-mentioned Governing Board’s decision GB(D)14-2023, the SESAR 3 JU published an open call for expression of interests to become Associated Members of the SESAR 3 JU on its website and announced it on its social media;
- (2) The SESAR 3 JU Executive Director assessed the applications submitted by 19 January 2024, with the assistance of independent experts, in accordance with the procedure and criteria set in the call for expression of interests;

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17

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- (3) As a result of this assessment, the SESAR 3 JU Executive Director proposed to select *Lilium GmbH* and *NATS (EN ROUTE) public limited company* as Associated Members based on their respective applications;
- (4) Both *Lilium GmbH* and *NATS (EN ROUTE) public limited company's* applications included duly signed letters of commitment detailing the scope of their membership contribution in terms of content, activities, duration and confirming the acceptance of the Membership Agreement terms and conditions;
- (5) The Written Procedure, launched on 2 May 2024 to adopt decision GB(D)03-2024 on the selection of Associated Members of the SESAR 3 JU closed on 16 May 2024 with positive results,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

### Article 1

*Lilium GmbH's* and *NATS (EN ROUTE) public limited company* are approved as Associated Members of the SESAR 3 JU, subject to their adhesion to the Membership Agreement.

### Article 2

This decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done in Brussels, 16 May 2024.

For the SESAR 3 JU Governing Board



The Chairperson  
Magda Kopczynska