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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 58(2)(a) and Article 110 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure the implementation of pilot projects in the field of energy, as set out in the Annex, it is necessary to adopt an annual financing decision which constitutes the annual work programme for 2021. Article 110 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 ('the Financial Regulation') establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (2) It is necessary to allow for the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 116(5) of the Financial Regulation.
- (3) In order to allow for flexibility in the implementation of the pilot projects in the field of energy, it is appropriate to allow changes which should not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

### *Article 1*

#### *Pilot projects in the field of energy*

The annual financing decision, constituting the annual work programme for the implementation of pilot projects in the field of energy for 2021, as set out in the Annex, is adopted.

### *Article 2*

#### *Union contribution*

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the pilot projects in the field of energy for 2021 is set at EUR 1 875 000, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following chapters and lines of the general budget of the Union:

(a)	PP	01	21	02:	EUR	1	000	000
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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 193, 30.7.2018,p.1.

(b) PP 02 20 07: EUR 875 000 (extension of 2020 PP 32 027719)

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

*Article 3*  
*Flexibility clause*

Cumulated changes to the allocations to specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum Union contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2 of this Decision shall not be considered to be substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and the objective of the pilot projects in the field of energy. The increase of the maximum Union contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2 of this Decision shall not exceed 20%.

The authorising officer responsible may apply the changes referred to in the first paragraph. Those changes shall be applied in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Done at Brussels, 29.6.2021

*For the Commission*  
*Kadri SIMSON*  
*Member of the Commission*