

General Work Programme for 2016 in the field of energy

1.1. Introduction

This annex deals with procurement contracts, administrative arrangements and service level agreements relating to support expenditure in the field of energy in 2016. These measures are set out in a basic act or fall under the institutional prerogatives of the Commission, including communication activities and evaluations needed to review our regulations or aiming at defining new ones.

Among the principal objectives established for the progressive implementation of a competitive, safe and sustainable European energy policy based on general and specific information on the European and global energy markets for all energy carriers, allowing quality services to be offered at transparent and comparable prices, we would emphasise the following:

- security of energy supply;
- making the internal energy market work;
- access to energy transmission networks;
- observation of the energy market, analysis and modelling of scenarios, in particular regarding the effects of the planned policies;
- enhancing the rights and the protection of energy consumers.

Minor changes to the implementation of this programme affecting essential elements listed under Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012, which are of an indicative nature¹, may be made by the authorising officer by delegation (AOD) or by the authorising officer by sub-delegation (AOSD), in line with the delegation of powers conferred upon him by the AOD, in accordance with the principles of sound financial management, without it being necessary to amend the financing decision.

1.2. Actions to support the European energy policy and the internal energy market

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for contracts, administrative arrangements and service level agreements in 2016 amounts to 4 898 000 €.

1.2.1. Contracts/Administrative arrangements under a legal basis

Legal basis

- Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources – Articles 22 and 23 (OJ L 140, 5.6.2009),

¹ The essential elements of an indicative nature are, for grants, the indicative amount of the call for proposals and, for procurement, the number and type of contracts envisaged and the indicative time frame for launching procurement procedures.

- Directive 2009/72/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity - Article 3, 37(1)(e), 47 and Annex I (OJ L 211, 14.8.2009),
- Directive 2009/73/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in natural gas - Article 3, 41(1)(e), 52 and Annex I (OJ L 211, 14.8.2009),
- Regulation (EU) No 1227/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency – Article 6, 8 (OJ L 326, 8.12.2011),
- Directive 2012/27/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on energy efficiency – Article 24 (OJ L 315, 14.11.2012),
- Directive 2013/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 June 2013 on safety of offshore oil and gas operations – Article 27 (OJ L 178, 28.6.2013),
- Association Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part (OJ L 161, 29.05.2014) - Article 274, approved by Council Decision 2014/668/EU of 23 June 2014 on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part, as regards Title III (with the exception of the provisions relating to the treatment of third-country nationals legally employed as workers in the territory of the other Party) and Titles IV, V, VI and VII thereof, as well as the related Annexes and Protocols (OJ L 278, 20.09.2014).

Budget line

32.0202 – Support activities for the European energy policy and internal energy market

Details of contracts

<i>Contract types</i>	<i>Subject matter- indicative timeframe (indicative number of contracts envisaged) – Indicative amount²</i>	<i>Total</i>
Specific service contracts on existing framework contracts	a) Conference : Q3(1) – 65 000 € b) Consultancy : Q2 (1); Q3 (1) – 827 000 € c) Studies : Q4(2) – 324 000 €	1 216 000€
Direct service contracts	a) Conferences : Q2(1); Q3(1); Q4(3) – 49 000 € b) Studies : Q2 (1) – 41 000 €	90 000€
Administrative Arrangement	a) JRC – Technical support to improve administrative capacity in Member States to ensure safety of offshore oil and gas operations: Q2 (1) – 527 000 € b) JRC - Support to the detection of Energy Market Abuse (DEMA) by ACER: Q2 (1) - 186 000€	713 000 €

² Indicative sub-total amount for the contracts under this topic

Implementation

DG ENER, JRC

1.2.2. Contracts and service level agreements under institutional prerogatives

Legal basis

- Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union – Article 54(2) (d) (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012).

Budget line

32.0202 – Support activities for the European energy policy and internal energy market

Details of contracts

<i>Contract types</i>	<i>Subject matter- indicative timeframe (indicative number of contracts envisaged) – Indicative amount³</i>	<i>Total</i>
Specific service contracts on existing framework contracts	a) Communication: Q2(1); Q3(6); Q4(7) – 340 000 € b) Conferences: Q2(5); Q3(6); Q4(12) – 531 000 € c) Consultancy : Q2(2) – 122 000 € d) Development/ maintenance of EMOS IT systems: Q3(1); Q4(2) – 215 000 € e) Evaluations/ Studies: Q1(1) – 200 000 €	1 408 000 €
Direct service contracts	a) Communication: Q2(5); Q3(5); Q4(5) – 40 000 € b) Conferences/Workshops: Q3(1); Q4(2) – 49 000 € c) Consultancy: Q2(10); Q3(15); Q4(15) – 32 000 € d) Data acquisition EMOS: Q3(5); Q4(4) – 495 000 € e) Studies: Q3(3); Q4(2) – 689 000 €	1 305 000 €
Service level agreements	a) Publications Office: distribution and storage costs: Q2(1) – 16 000 € b) DIGIT – EMOS Hosting : Q3(2) – 138 000 € c) DG Translation – translation of energy-related documents : Q1(1) – 12 000 €	166 000 €

Implementation

DG ENER, Publications Office, DG Translation, DG DIGIT

³ Indicative sub-total amount for the contracts under this topic

1.3. Actions to support the security of energy installations and infrastructure

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for administrative arrangements and contracts in 2016 amounts to 312 000 €.

1.3.1. Administrative arrangement under a legal basis

Legal basis

- Council Directive 2008/114/EC of 8 December 2008 on the identification and designation of European critical infrastructures and the assessment of the need to improve their protection – Article 8 (OJ L 245, 23.12.2008).

Budget line

32.0203 - Security of energy installations and infrastructure

Details of the contracts

<i>Contract types</i>	<i>Subject matter- indicative timeframe (indicative number of contracts envisaged) – Indicative amount⁴</i>	<i>Total</i>
Administrative arrangement	JRC – Technical support to activities on Critical Energy Infrastructure Protection (CEIP): Q1 (1) – 312 000 €	312 000 €

Implementation

JRC

1.4. Other Actions

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for other actions in 2016 amounts to 200 000 €.

1.4.1. Voluntary Contribution to the Energy Charter Secretariat

Legal basis

- The Energy Charter Treaty - Article 37(3) thereof, approved by Council and Commission Decision 98/181/EC, ECSC, Euratom of 23 September 1997 on the conclusion, by the European Communities, of the Energy Charter Treaty and the Energy Charter protocol on energy efficiency and related environmental aspects (OJ L 69, 9.3.1998).

Budget line

32.0202 – Support activities for the European energy policy and internal energy market

Amount

200 000 €

⁴ Indicative sub-total amount for the contracts under this topic

Description and objective of the implementing measure

The purpose of the Energy Charter Treaty is to establish a legal framework in order to promote long-term co-operation in the energy field in accordance with the objectives and principles of the Energy Charter. By creating a stable, comprehensive and non-discriminatory legal foundation for cross-border energy relations, the Treaty reduces political risks associated with economic activities in transition economies. It creates an economic alliance between countries which are united in their commitment to provide open energy markets, and to secure and diversify energy supply; to stimulate cross-border investment and trade in the energy sector; and to assist countries in economic transition in the development of their energy strategies and of an appropriate institutional and legal framework for energy.

The objective of this action is to contribute to the Energy Charter Secretariat assistance work to the Energy Charter Conference for the proper application of the Energy Charter Treaty. The EU is a Contracting Party to this Treaty. Most Contracting Parties to the Treaty provide an annual mandatory financial contribution to the Secretariat. An annual contribution to the Energy Charter Secretariat has already been foreseen in 2015. To be able to properly carry out its functions under the Treaty, the Energy Charter Secretariat is appealing to the Parties for additional annual contributions.