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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/1153 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July 2021 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1316/2013 and (EU) No 283/2014¹, and in particular Article 21(1) thereof,

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 966/2012², and in particular Article 200 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Decision C(2021)5791 establishes a multiannual work programme for granting financial aid in the field of renewable energy under the Connecting Europe Facility for 2021-2027, and in particular for studies and works for cross-border projects in the field of renewable energy.
- (2) Based on that multiannual work programme, a call for proposals of grants for studies and works under the Connecting Europe Facility for 2021-2027 was published on 8 November 2022. The only projects eligible for funding under that call are included in the list of cross-border projects in the field of renewable energy³.
- (3) The call for proposals closed on 23 February 2023. Three proposals were submitted in response to the call. They all complied with the formal requirements and were assessed against the evaluation criteria.
- (4) The evaluation of the proposals was carried out under Article 200 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046. Based on that evaluation, two proposal have been selected for financial assistance under the Connecting Europe Facility, namely the proposal: (i) 'Ceo alliance Cross-border European green hydROgeN valuE chain - Green Ammonia infrastructure study' concerning investigations, preliminary assessment, regulatory compliance and design of a 120 MW green ammonia installation and a connected 400 MW solar PV installation in Spain; and (ii) 'Estonian Latvian joint hybrid offshore wind project – ELWIND' concerning a package of studies necessary to receive the

¹ OJ L 249, 14.7.2021, p. 38.

² OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1.

³ OJ L 293, 14.11.2022, p. 1.

permits for building a hybrid offshore wind park of up to 1 GW in the Estonian and Latvian waters.

- (5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in line with the opinion of the Connecting Europe Facility Coordination Committee, established under Article 24 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1153,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

The proposals selected for a grant in the field of renewable energy under the Connecting Europe Facility following the call for proposals for studies and works launched on 8 November 2022 are set out in the Annex.

For the selected projects, the maximum amount of financial assistance granted is set out in the Annex.

Done at Brussels, 11.7.2023

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission