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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Social Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1081/2006[(1)], and in particular Article 14(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) With a view to simplifying the use of the European Social Fund 'ESF' and reducing the administrative burden for beneficiaries, it is appropriate to increase the scope of standard scales of unit costs and lump sums available for reimbursement to Member States. The standard scales of unit costs and lump sums for reimbursement to Member States should be established on the basis of data submitted by Member States or published by Eurostat and on the basis of methods commonly agreed, including the methods set out in Article 67(5) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council[(2)] and Article 14(2) and (3) of Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013.

(2) Taking into account the significant disparities between Member States regarding the level of costs for a particular type of operation, the definition and amounts of standard scales of unit costs and lump sums may differ according to the type of operation and the Member State concerned in order to reflect their specificities.

(3) Cyprus has submitted methods for defining standard scales of unit costs for reimbursement of expenditure by the Commission.

(4) Germany has submitted methods for defining additional standard scales of unit costs for reimbursement by the Commission concerning types of operation not yet covered by Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195[(3)].

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2416. (See end of Document for details)*

(5) France has submitted data for amending the standard scales of unit costs currently set out in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195.

(6) Sweden submitted data for amending the standard scales of unit costs currently set out in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195. The Commission accordingly amended the rates set out in Annex I to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195 for operations supported under priority axis 1 'Supply of skills' of the Operational Programme (Nationellt socialfondsprogram för investering för tillväxt och sysselsättning 2014-2020) (CCI- 2014SE05M9OP001) in Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2016[(4)]. However, the Commission erred by not also amending the rates set out for priority axes 2 and 3 of the same operational programme. The amounts for these priority axes should also be amended, and the amounts set out for Sweden should be applicable as of the date of entry into force of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2016.

(7) Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195 should therefore be amended and corrected accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195 is corrected and amended as follows:

(1) Annex I is replaced by the text in Annex I to this Regulation;

(2) Annex II is replaced by the text in Annex II to this Regulation;

(3) Annex VIII is replaced by the text in Annex III to this Regulation;

(4) Annex XV is added as set out in Annex IV to the Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Article 1(1) shall apply from 5 December 2017.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 October 2017.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2416. (See end of Document for details)*

ANNEX I

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Conditions for reimbursement of expenditure on the basis of standard scales of unit costs to Sweden

1. Definition of standard scales of unit costs

Type of operations	**Indicator name**[a]	**Category of costs**	**Measurement unit for the indicator**	**Amounts**		
1. Operations supported under priority axis 1 “Supply of skills” of the Operational Programme (Nationellt socialfondsprogram för investering för tillväxt och sysselsättning 2014-2020) (CCI-2014SE05M9OP001)	Hours worked	All categories of costs except wages for participants.	Number of hours worked[b]	**Wage group (SSYK code[c])**	**Region: Stockholm (SE 11) (unit cost per hour — amount in SEK[d])**	**All regions except Stockholm (SE 12-33) (unit cost per hour — amount in SEK)**
				1 (912 – 913 -919 -921)	321	328
				2 (414 – 415 – 421 – 422 -512 – 513 – 514 – 515 – 522 – 611 – 612 – 613 – 614 – 826)	360	356
				3 (331 – 348 – 411 – 412	416	395

a The amounts of standard scales of unit costs apply only to the parts of operations that cover the categories of costs set out in this Annex.

b The total number of hours declared in a year must not be higher than the standard number of annual hours worked in Sweden, which is equal to 1 862 hours.

c Professional code applicable in Sweden.

d Currency in Sweden.

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				– 413 – 419 – 711 – 712 – 713 – 714 – 721 – 722 – 723 – 724 – 731 – 732 – 734 – 741 – 742 – 743 – 811 – 812 – 813 – 814 – 815 – 816 – 817 – 821 – 822 – 823 – 824 – 825 – 827 – 828 -829 – 831 – 832 – 833 – 834 – 914 – 915 – 931 – 932 – 933)		
				4 (223 – 232 – 233 – 234 – 235 – 243 – 249 – 313 – 322 – 323 – 324 – 332 – 342 – 343 – 344 – 345 – 346 – 347 – 511 – 011)	473	438
				5 (213 – 221 – 231 – 241	587	512

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				– 244 – 245 – 246 – 247 – 248 – 311 – 312 – 315 – 321 – 341)		
				6 (211 – 212 – 214 – 222 – 242 – 314)	776	724
				7 A (121)	1 035	1 035
				7 B (111-123)	1 121	875
				7 C (131-122)	735	601
2. Operations supported under priority axis 1 “Supply of skills” of the Operational Programme (Nationellt socialfondsprogram för investering för tillväxt och sysselsättning 2014-2020) (CCI-2014SE05M9OP001)	Hours participated in the operation	Participant's wage	Number of hours participated[b]	**Region: Stockholm (SE 11) (unit cost per hour — amount in SEK)**		**All regions except Stockholm (SE 12-33) (unit cost per hour — amount in SEK)**
				229		234
3. Operations supported under priority	Hours worked	All categories of costs except allowances	Number of hours worked[b]	**Occupational category**	**Region: Stockholm (SE 11) (unit cost per hour — amount in SEK)**	**All regions except Stockholm (SE**

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