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COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/3

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 91 and Article 100(2), in conjunction with Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

(1) The Treaty establishing the Transport Community ('the TCT') was signed by the Union in accordance with Council Decision (EU) 2017/1937[(1)].

(2) In accordance with Article 41(3) of the TCT, the TCT has applied provisionally since 9 October 2017. It currently applies provisionally among the Contracting Parties, namely the Union, the Republic of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kosovo[(2)], Montenegro and the Republic of Serbia.

(3) The Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community ('the Steering Committee') is to adopt the budget of the Transport Community for the year 2019 in order to ensure the proper implementation of the TCT.

(4) It is appropriate to establish the position to be taken on the Union's behalf in the Steering Committee as regards its Decision on certain budgetary matters, as such a Decision is necessary for the initiation of the work of the Permanent Secretariat of the Transport Community, and will have legal effects vis-à-vis the Union.

(5) The empowerment of the Commission to provisionally implement the budget of the Transport Community does not alter the essential character of the powers conferred on that institution by the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The position to be taken on the Union's behalf within the Regional Steering Committee of the Transport Community shall be based on the draft Decision of the Steering Committee attached to this Decision.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision (EU) 2019/3. (See end of Document for details)*

Minor changes to that draft Decision may be agreed to by the representatives of the Union within the Steering Committee without further decision by the Council.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 19 December 2018.

For the Council

The President

E. KÖSTINGER

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision (EU) 2019/3. (See end of Document for details)*

Appendix

Budget of the Transport Community for the year 2019

Budget line	**Amount(EUR)**
Salaries for officials	750 000
Contribution to Health/Pension scheme for officials	200 000
Running costs of the secretariat (incl. fixed expenditure/travel/meeting organisation)	330 000
Office IT equipment and furniture (not covered by the HQ Agreement)	100 000
Recruitment costs (publication and reimbursement of candidates)	100 000
Total	1 480 000
Reserve (approx: 10 %)	150 000
Grand total	1 630 000
Of which: EU contribution (80 %)[a]	1 304 000
WB6 contribution (20 %: Annex V of the TCT provides the distribution per country)	326 000

a The figure of the EU contribution is without prejudice to the adoption of the EU budget for 2019.

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DECISION No 2018/… OF THE REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE TRANSPORT COMMUNITY

of …

on the adoption of the budget of the Transport Community for the year 2019

THE REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE TRANSPORT COMMUNITY,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the Transport Community, and in particular Article 24(1) and Article 35 thereof,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The budget of the Transport Community for the year 2019, attached to this Decision, is hereby adopted.

Article 2

The European Commission shall be in charge of implementing the budget and of the initiation of the work of the Permanent Secretariat of the Transport Community in accordance with Article 3.