

DECISIONS

DECISION (EU) 2016/407 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

of 9 March 2016

on the mobilisation of the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (application from Belgium EGF/2015/007 — BE/Hainaut-Namur Glass)

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (2014-2020) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 15(4) thereof,

Having regard to the Interinstitutional Agreement of 2 December 2013 between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline, on cooperation in budgetary matters and on sound financial management ⁽²⁾, and in particular point 13 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) The European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (EGF) aims to provide support for workers made redundant and self-employed persons whose activity has ceased as a result of major structural changes in world trade patterns due to globalisation, as a result of a continuation of the global financial and economic crisis, or as a result of a new global financial and economic crisis, and to assist them with their reintegration into the labour market.
- (2) The EGF is not to exceed a maximum annual amount of EUR 150 million (2011 prices), as laid down in Article 12 of Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 ⁽³⁾.
- (3) On 19 August 2015, Belgium submitted an application to mobilise the EGF in respect of redundancies and cessations of activities in the economic sector classified under the NACE Revision 2 Division 23 (Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products) in the NUTS level 2 regions of Hainaut (B32) and Namur (B35) in Belgium. It was supplemented by additional information provided in accordance with Article 8(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013. That application complies with the requirements for determining a financial contribution from the EGF as laid down in Article 13 of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013.
- (4) In accordance with Article 6(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013, Belgium has decided to provide personalised services co-financed by the EGF also to 100 young people not in employment, education or training (NEETs).
- (5) In accordance with Article 4(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1309/2013, the application from Belgium is considered admissible since the redundancies have a serious impact on employment and the local, regional and national economy.
- (6) The EGF should, therefore, be mobilised in order to provide a financial contribution of EUR 1 095 544 in respect of the application submitted by Belgium.
- (7) In order to minimise the time taken to mobilise the EGF, this decision should apply from the date of its adoption,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 855.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 373, 20.12.2013, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1311/2013 of 2 December 2013 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2014-2020 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 884).

HAVE ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

For the general budget of the European Union for the financial year 2016, the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund shall be mobilised to provide the sum of EUR 1 095 544 in commitment and payment appropriations.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*. It shall apply from 9 March 2016.

Done at Strasbourg, 9 March 2016.

For the European Parliament

The President

M. SCHULZ

For the Council

The President

J.A. HENNIS-PLASSCHAERT
