

## Authorisation for State aid pursuant to Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty

### Cases where the Commission raises no objections

(2004/C 34/06)

(Text with EEA relevance)

**Date of adoption of the decision:** 19.12.2003

**Member State:** Italy (Tuscany Region)

**Aid No:** N 207/03

**Title:** Rehabilitation of polluted industrial sites

**Objective:** The scheme is intended to promote the rehabilitation of polluted industrial sites by means of financing interventions made by firms (private undertakings) to repair damage to the quality of the soil or of surface water or groundwater

**Legal basis:** Deliberazione regionale n. 185 del 3 marzo 2003

**Budget:** The total budget of the scheme will presumably be of EUR 12,5 million

**Aid intensity or amount:** 50 % gross of the eligible costs

**Duration:** The scheme will start after the Commission's approval decision and its duration will be of 10 years

**Other information:** Annual report. Background information: N 421/01 Italy — Region Toscana — Objective 2 aid for environmental protection and energy

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**Date of adoption of the decision:** 10.12.2003

**Member State:** United Kingdom (North West)

**Aid No:** N 340/03

**Title:** Aid in favour of Ineos Chlor Ltd

**Objective:** Realisation of a large investment project under the Multisectoral Framework on regional aid for a fundamental change in the production process of Ineos chlorine plant

**Legal basis:** Section 7 of the Industrial Development Act 1982

**Budget:** GBP 39,81 (EUR 57,3) million

**Aid intensity or amount:** 12,44 % net

**Duration:** Project will be completed 4 years from start date

**Other information:** Commitment by UK to comply with the obligations of point 6 of the Multisectoral Framework on regional aid for large investment projects

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**Date of adoption of the decision:** 10.12.2003

**Member State:** France (Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur)

**Aid No:** N 345/03

**Title:** Investment aid for ST Microelectronics

**Objective:** Grants for the extension of a plant producing microelectronic components at the Rousset site and for investment in the development of new technologies there

**Legal basis:** Régime de la Prime à l'Aménagement du Territoire (PAT industrie) du décret relatif à la PAT n° 2001-312 du 11 avril 2001, autorisée par la Décision de la Commission du 28 juin 2000 (N 782/99); Carte française des aides à finalité régionale approuvée par la Décision de la Commission du 1 mars 2000 (N 45/2000); Code Général des Collectivités Territoriales

**Budget:** EUR 120,2 million; eligible costs: EUR 582 million

**Aid intensity or amount:** 12,6 % net grant equivalent

**Duration:** The investment project covers the period 2003-2004; aid is staggered over the period 2003-2009

**Other information:** In cooperation with the recipient firm, France is required to send to the Commission an annual report on project implementation. Payment of the last aid tranche (10 % of the total aid) is subject to approval by the Commission

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**Date of adoption of the decision:** 16.12.2003

**Member State:** Germany

**Aid No:** N 365/03

**Title:** Programme for sustainability in practice

**Objective:** Research and development

**Legal basis:** Verwaltungsvorschriften zu § 44 Bundeshaushaltsordnung

**Budget:** EUR 6 million (2004); EUR 30 million (2005); EUR 135 million (2006 and 2007); EUR 115 million (2008)

**Aid intensity or amount:** Up to 100 % for fundamental research; up to 50 % for industrial research and up to 25 % for pre-competitive development as basis rates plus bonuses of point 5.10 of the R & D guidelines if applicable

**Duration:** Five years

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**Date of adoption of the decision:** 11.11.2003

**Member State:** Italy (Provincia autonoma di Trento)

**Aid No:** N 397/03

**Title:** Aid measures in favour of cableway installations and ski runs for 2003 and following years. Autonomous Province of Trento

**Objective:** Cableway installations

**Legal basis:** Deliberazione della giunta provinciale n. 1527 del 27 giugno 2003, concernente provvidenze per gli impianti a fune e le piste da sci — anno 2003 e seguenti

**Budget:** EUR 5 000 000

**Aid intensity or amount:** The aid intensity in the year 2003 is 35 % for small firms and 27 % for medium-sized firms, decreasing by 5 % per year for aid projects approved in the following four years. As of 2007 the scheme will grant aid intensities of 15 % for small firms and 7,5 % for medium-sized firms. The aid intensity is constant at 40 % for installations for purely local use or meeting general transport needs

**Duration:** 10 years

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**Date of adoption of the decision:** 16.12.2003

**Member State:** Germany

**Aid No:** N 456/03

**Title:** R & D in medical technology — prolongation (Bavaria)

**Objective:** R & D (support of projects for the development of outstanding technologies in the medical field)

**Legal basis:** Haushaltsgesetz des Freistaates Bayern, Programmbeschreibung

**Budget:** Overall budget of EUR 20 million for the period 2004-2008, EUR 4 million p.a.

**Aid intensity or amount:** 50 % industrial research, 25 % pre-competitive development (basic intensities)

**Duration:** Limited until 31 December 2008

**Other information:** Germany has to submit an annual report on the implementation of the scheme including the assessment of an incentive effect of the aid granted to large companies

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**Date of adoption of the decision:** 11.11.2003

**Member State:** France

**Aid No:** N 463/03

**Title:** Entertainment tax

**Objective:** Production, distribution and operation of shows, etc.

**Legal basis:** Projet de loi de finances rectificative pour 2003

**Budget:** EUR 13 904 834

**Aid intensity or amount:** Always less than 50 %

**Duration:** To the end of 2008

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**Date of adoption of the decision:** 16.12.2003

**Member State:** Ireland

**Aid No:** N 475/03

**Title:** Public service obligation in respect of new electricity generation capacity for security of supply

**Objective:** To ensure the security of electricity supplies in Ireland

**Duration:** 8-10 years

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