Judgment of the General Court of 29 June 2022 — LA International Cooperation v Commission

(Case T-609/20) (1)

(Pre-Accession Assistance Instrument — OLAF investigation — Commission decision imposing an administrative sanction — Exclusion from procurement and grant award procedures covered by the general budget of the European Union for a period of four years — Registration in the early detection and exclusion system database — Financial regulation — Unlimited jurisdiction — Proportionality of the sanction)

(2022/C 318/47)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicant: LA International Cooperation Srl (Milan, Italy) (represented by: B. O'Connor and M. Hommé, lawyers)

Defendant: European Commission (represented by: R. Pethke, acting as Agent)

Re:

By its action based on Article 263 TFEU, the applicant, LA International Cooperation Srl, formerly Lattanzio e Associati SpA, seeks annulment of the decision of the European Commission of 20 July 2020 excluding it, for a period of four years, from participating in procurement and grant award procedures covered by the general budget of the European Union and participation in procedures for the award of funds governed by Council Regulation (EU) 2015/323 of 2 March 2015 on the financial regulation applicable to the 11th European Development Fund (OJ 2015 L 58, p. 17), and ordered the publication of that exclusion on the Commission's website.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action;
- 2. Orders LA International Cooperation Srl to pay the costs.

(1) OJ C 19, 18.1.2021.

Judgment of the General Court of 29 June 2022 — bet-at-home.com Entertainment v EUIPO (bet-at-home)

(Case T-640/21) (1)

(EU trade mark — Application for registration of the EU figurative mark bet-at-home — Absolute ground for refusal — Lack of distinctive character — Descriptive character — Article 7(1)(b) and (c) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1001)

(2022/C 318/48)

Language of the case: German

Parties

Applicant: bet-at-home.com Entertainment GmbH (Linz, Austria) (represented by: R. Paulitsch, lawyer)

Defendant: European Union Intellectual Property Office (represented by: E. Nicolás Gómez and D. Hanf, acting as Agents)

Re:

By its application under Article 263 TFEU, the applicant seeks the reversal of the decision of the First Board of Appeal of the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) of 5 August 2021 (Case R 2143/2020-1).