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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates

5 December 2017
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Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.
AUTHORITY FOR EUROPEAN POLITICAL PARTIES AND EUROPEAN POLITICAL FOUNDATIONS

Decision of the Authority for European political parties and European political foundations
of 31 August 2017

to register Green European Foundation
(Only the English text is authentic)
(2017/C 416/02)

THE AUTHORITY FOR EUROPEAN POLITICAL PARTIES AND EUROPEAN POLITICAL FOUNDATIONS,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2014 on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations (1), in particular Article 9 thereof,

Having regard to the application received from Green European Foundation,

Whereas:

(1) The Authority for European political parties and European political foundations ('Authority') received an application for registration as a European political foundation under Article 8(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014 from Green European Foundation (the 'applicant') on 1 August 2017 and a revised version of part of that application on 29 August 2017.

(2) The applicant submitted documents proving that it satisfies the conditions laid down in Article 3 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014, the declaration in the form set out in the Annex to that Regulation, and the statutes of the applicant, containing the provisions required by Article 5 of that Regulation.

(3) The applicant submitted additional documents in accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2015/2401 (2).

(4) Pursuant to Article 9 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1141/2014, the Authority has examined the application and supporting documentation submitted, and considers that the applicant satisfies the conditions for registration laid down in Article 3 of that Regulation and that the statutes contain the provisions required by Article 5 of that Regulation.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Green European Foundation is hereby registered as a European political foundation.

It shall acquire European legal personality on the date of the publication of this Decision in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on the day of its notification.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to

Green European Foundation
3 Rue du Fossé
L-1536 Luxembourg
LUXEMBOURG

Done at Brussels, 31 August 2017.

For the Authority for European political parties and European political foundations

The Director

M. ADAM
ANNEX

STATUTES

Green European Foundation

Registered office: Rue du Fossé 3, L-1536, Luxembourg Trade Register no. F 8270

Following the decision of its General Assembly on 20 January 2010, 19 October 2012, 9 October 2014, 21 October 2016 and 16 June 2017, the non-profit association (asbl) Green European Foundation, Rue du Fossé 3, L-1536 Luxembourg, registered on 29 January 2010, with Trade Register number F8270, modified its statutes as follows:

CHAPTER I

NAME – REGISTERED OFFICES – OBJECT — DURATION

Article 1

The association shall be called ‘GREEN EUROPEAN FOUNDATION’ A.S.B.L., a nonprofit making association. The logo of the Green European Foundation is:

Its registered offices shall be established in the municipality of Luxembourg. At present, the registered office of the Green European Foundation is situated at Rue du Fossé 3, 1536 Luxembourg.

The Green European Foundation is the affiliated political foundation of the European Green Party (Parti Vert Européen PPEU). The Green European Foundation and the European Green Party should work closely together to make sure that their programmes are mutually supportive and that functions are assumed by the more appropriate and effective partner, given the mutual interest in Green activities. The coordination between the bodies is guaranteed at executive level by mutual representation of the Secretaries-General at respectively the European Green Party Committee and the Green European Foundation’s Board of Directors.

The European Green Party may nominate up to four representatives to the General Assembly of the Green European Foundation. The Green European Foundation may nominate representatives to and participate in the working groups and networks of the European Green Party.

The Green European Foundation must be legally independent of the European Green Party in its structures, budgets, programmes and personnel at all times.

Article 2

The main aim of the association, which is rooted in the traditions of ecology, shall be to promote the work of political education and cultural dialogue in Europe, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and abroad with a view to promoting the formation of the democratic will, political and social engagement and understanding of peoples. The association shall devote itself in particular to the emergence of a public European political sphere, to transnational dialogue and to European cooperation.

In achieving its object, the association may thus:

— make an offer, accessible to all, of training and continued training, serving the cause of the formation of the democratic will and taking into consideration a multitude of educational forms (e.g., symposiums, seminars, congresses, publications, websites, conference analyses, excursions, campaigns, etc.).

— encourage students, artists and scientists of all disciplines and nationalities who feel bound to the aims of the association’s Statutes of Association and are actively engaged on a social and political level. This promotion may concern both artistic and scientific training and actual work and projects, including the use of new media, corresponding to the aims of the association.

— carry out research and promotion for the latter, in particular through the providing of grants and surveys as well as through demonstrations and publications, notably in the fields of ecology, democratisation, the understanding of peoples, the democracy of the sexes, development collaboration, art and literature, and make the results of this research available to the public.
— encourage European integration and international understanding through seminars and studies abroad as well as by creating faculties abroad.

— encourage collaboration in partnership with developing countries and countries undergoing transformation, in particular through the work of social and political education and the promotion of projects in fields such as ecology, democratisation, the understanding of peoples and the democracy of the sexes (equality between men and women).

— participate in and contribute to transatlantic dialogue from a European perspective.

— cooperate with the foundations in the various countries that are affiliated to it and make global funds available to them for their political education work.

To these ends, the association may carry out any operations relating directly or indirectly to the achievement of its object, including, within the limits of the law, profitable and commercial ancillary activities, the proceeds of which shall at all times be assigned in full to the achievement of said non-profit-making aims.

Article 3

The duration of the association shall be unlimited.

CHAPTER II

MEMBERS — ADMISSIONS — RESIGNATIONS — EXCLUSIONS

Article 4

The association shall be made up of current members and associate members.

Article 5

Current members:

The number of current members may not be fewer than three (3).

Parity between men and women must be strictly observed by the General Assembly, which shall bear this in mind when admitting new members.

To become a current member, the candidate must represent one of the following groups:

— national foundations belonging to the network of foundations close to the Greens

— the European Green Party (EGP)

— the Green Group in the European Parliament (Greens/EFA)

Current members are representatives of national green foundations, of the EGP, or of the Green Group in the European Parliament. A majority of the members are representatives of national green foundations. The representatives of the EGP and of the Green Group in the European Parliament have four seats each.

Current members shall be elected by the following procedure:

Any candidate wishing to become a current member must be nominated to this effect by national foundations belonging to the network of foundations close to the Greens or by the European Green Party (EGP) or by the Green Group in the European Parliament (Greens/EFA).

The candidate thus nominated shall send their application to the Board of Directors, which shall submit it to the members of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly shall decide whether to accept the candidate as a current member during its next meeting, this decision being made by simple majority of members attending this General Assembly. At least half the members of the General Assembly shall be present at this meeting.

The General Assembly may decide, by itself and without any other grounds, not to accept a candidate as a current member.

Current members shall have all the rights and obligations defined in the Act on nonprofit-making associations, as well as those defined in the present Statutes of Association.

They shall pay a contribution which shall be fixed annually by the Board of Directors. However, this contribution may not exceed a sum representing 15 % of the annual budget of the association.

As current members shall be nominated by national foundations belonging to the network of foundations close to the Greens, by the European Green Party (EGP) or by the Green Group in the European Parliament (Greens/EFA), these shall be excluded from the General Assembly if the body or foundation that nominated them withdraws their nomination.
Article 6

Associate members:

Any natural person, legal entity or organisation that supports the aims of the non-profitmaking organisation may submit a written application to the latter with a view to becoming an associate member.

Their number shall be unlimited.

The Board of Directors may decide, by itself and without any other grounds, not to accept a candidate as an associate member.

Associate members shall only have the rights and obligations defined by these Statutes of Association. Associate members shall not have the right to vote.

They shall pay a fee, which shall be fixed annually by the Board of Directors. However, this fee may not exceed a sum representing 15% of the annual budget of the association.

Article 7

Resignation of members:

Both current members and associate members may resign from the non-profit-making association at any time.

The resignation shall be sent to the Board of Directors by registered letter (for current members) or by written notification (for associate members) and shall take effect one month after the date on which the registered letter or written notification is sent to the Board of Directors.

However, a resigning current or associate member shall be obliged to pay the contribution and to participate in the costs that have been approved for the year in which notice of resignation was given. Current or associate members who have not paid their contribution may be assumed to be resigning.

Article 8

Exclusion of members:

If a member – current or associate – knowingly acts contrary to the aims of the association or damages the reputation of the association, they may – at the proposal of the Board of Directors or at the request of at least one fifth of all current members – be excluded by a special decision of the General Assembly at which at least half the current members are present, this decision requiring a majority of 2/3 of the members present.

The member whose exclusion is recommended shall have the right to be heard. Consequently, they must be invited by registered letter at least one month before the General Assembly that shall rule on the exclusion to the General Assembly called to rule on the exclusion.

Article 9

Under no circumstances may the members of the association assert or exercise any rights or claims to assets belonging to the association.

This exclusion of rights to assets shall apply at all times: during the period when the party concerned is a member, at the time this capacity ceases to exist for whatever reason, at the time of the winding-up of the association, etc.

CHAPTER III

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Article 10

The General Assembly shall be made up of current members and associate members.

None of the three components of the General Assembly may be forced to act against its will by the others.

Observers may attend the General Assembly and may, with the consent of the Chairperson, address the General Assembly.

Article 11

The following exclusive competences may be exercised solely by the General Assembly:

1. Amendment of Statutes of Association
2. Nomination and dismissal of Board members
3. Confirmation of the election of the Chairperson of the Board of Directors by the General Assembly
4. Discharge to be granted to Board members
5. Approval of budgets and annual accounts
6. Winding-up of the association
7. Exclusion of a member of the association
8. Approval of a specific operational report of the Chairperson
9. Approval of the action plan drawn up by the Board of Directors
10. Acceptance of new current members.

Article 12
The Ordinary General Assembly shall be held during the second quarter of the calendar year, at the registered offices or at any other location specified in the invitation.

The invitation must be sent at least 30 days before the date of the General Assembly to all current members by fax or email, to the number or address last notified by the current member to the secretary for this purpose.

The General Assembly shall be convened by the Board of Directors or by at least one fifth of the members of the association.

The invitation shall be accompanied by the items on the agenda, at least 40 days before the General Assembly, by at least two Board members or by at least one twentieth of current members.

An Extraordinary General Assembly may be convened by the Chairperson or at the request of at least three Board members, as well as at the request of at least two fifths of all current members.

The invitation must be sent at least 30 days before the date of the General Assembly to all current members by fax or email, to the number or address last notified by the current member for this purpose.

Article 13
In order to be able to legally consider matters, the Assembly must comprise at least half the current members.

Only the current members have the right to vote.

Each current member shall have an equal voting right, each possessing one vote. Each current member may be represented at General Assemblies by another member in possession of a written proxy; no member may hold more than one proxy.

All decisions of the General Assembly shall be taken by simple majority of members present, apart from those exceptions provided for by law or by the Statutes of Association.

In the event of a tied vote, the proposal shall be rejected.

At the request of one third of the Assembly, voting shall be by secret ballot.

All decisions concerning appointments of persons are taken by secret ballot.

Article 14
In accordance with Article 8 of the Act on non-profit-making organisations, the General Assembly may only legally consider amendments to the Statutes of Association if the object of the latter is specifically mentioned in the invitation, and if the Assembly comprises two thirds of members.

Amendments may only be adopted by a two-thirds majority.

If two thirds of members are not present or represented at the first Assembly, a second Assembly may be convened, which may consider matters irrespective of the number of members present. The second Assembly may not be held within 30 days of the first Assembly.

In this case, however, the decision shall be subject to the approval of the civil court.

Nevertheless, if the amendment relates to one of the objects in view of which the association was formed, the above rules shall be modified as follows:

a) The second Assembly shall only be legally constituted if at least half its current members are present or represented.

b) The decision may only be made, at either Assembly, if voted for by a majority of – as a departure from the aforesaid Act – four fifths of the votes of current members present.

c) If, in the second Assembly, two thirds of partners are not present or represented, the decision must be approved by the civil court.
Article 15

Resolutions of the General Assembly shall be recorded in minutes kept in a register of minutes, which may be consulted by all current members who shall exercise their right by reporting to the offices of the foundation and requesting – by appointment – to consult the minutes in question.

Any third party wishing to consult the minutes of the resolutions of the General Assembly may submit a request to this effect to the Board of Directors of the association, which may authorise or refuse such consultation, by itself and with no other grounds.

CHAPTER IV
ADMINISTRATION

Article 16

The association shall be administered by a Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as the Board, which shall consist of at least two and not more than nine members. In any case, the number of Board members shall at all times be fewer than the number of current members of the association.

It shall consist of an equal number of men and women.

Board members shall be appointed by the General Assembly, by simple majority of members present, for a period of THREE years.

Being current member of the GA is not a condition to be appointed as Board member.

They may be dismissed at any time by the General Assembly, which shall decide by a two-thirds majority of votes present.

Each member of the Board of Directors may themselves resign, subject to written notice given to the Chairperson of the Board of Directors.

Having resigned, the Board member shall continue to perform their duties until they can be reasonably replaced.

In principle, Board members shall exercise their mandate without remuneration.

Expenses incurred in the exercise of their mandate as Board member shall be reimbursed.

Article 17

The Board of Directors shall elect from among its members one or two Chairpersons of said Board of Directors, together with a secretary and a treasurer, all for a period of THREE years. Plurality of responsibilities shall not be permitted.

Article 18

The Board of Directors shall supervise the day-to-day activities of the association, as well as the work of its staff. The Board of Directors shall appoint the Secretary-General.

The Board of Directors shall make strategic decisions relating to budget, programme and activities on the basis of the directives adopted by the General Assembly.

The Board of Directors can delegate the implementation of its decisions relating to budget, programme and activities to the Chairpersons and Secretary-General.

The Board of Directors shall represent the association with the public and European institutions, unless it has delegated such responsibility to its Secretary-General.

Article 19

The Board of Directors shall meet at the invitation of its Chairperson(s) as often as required, at least twice a year and within 15 days of the request of two members of the Board of Directors or at the request of the Secretary-General.

The Board shall be chaired by one or two Chairperson(s) or, in their absence, by a Board member chosen by simple majority of Board members present.

The Meeting shall be held at the registered offices of the association or at any other location specified in the invitation letter.

The Board of Directors may only consider and rule on matters when at least half its members are present at the Meeting.

Decisions shall be made by simple majority of votes present.
In the event of a tied vote, the Chairperson or the presiding Board member shall have the casting vote.

Minutes of the Meeting shall be drawn up and signed by the Chairperson.

These minutes shall be kept in a register of minutes, which may be consulted by current members, who shall exercise their right of consultation by reporting to the offices of the association.

In exceptional cases, where the urgency of the situation and the interests of the association so require, decisions of the Board of Directors may be made with the unanimous written approval of the Board members.

In any event, the written decision-making process assumes prior deliberation by email, videoconference or teleconference.

**Article 20**

If a Board member has an interest, directly or indirectly, which is opposed in a patrimonial manner to a decision or operation that falls within the competence of the Board of Directors, they must inform the other Board members of this before the Board of Directors makes a decision.

The Board member who has an opposing interest shall withdraw from the Meeting and refrain from taking part in the deliberation and vote on the matter in question.

The aforementioned procedure shall not apply to the usual operations that take place under the conditions and subject to the securities that typically apply on the market for similar operations.

**Article 21**

The Board of Directors shall be authorised to draw up all documents of internal administration that are necessary or useful to the aim of the association, with the exception of those that fall within the sole competence of the General Assembly, in accordance with the Act on non-profit-making organisations and these Statutes of Association.

Notwithstanding the obligations arising out of collegial administration, namely consultation and inspection, Board members may divide the administrative tasks among themselves.

Such division of tasks shall not be enforceable against third parties, even if it has been published. Nonetheless, in the event of a failure to comply, the internal responsibility of the Board member(s) concerned shall be engaged.

The Board of Directors may delegate some of its administrative powers to one or more third parties who are not Board members, without such delegation involving the general policy of the association or the competence of general administration of the Board of Directors.

Board members may not make decisions relating to the purchase of property, loans and financial obligations that commit more than one third of the association's budget.

The Board of Directors may not make decisions that commit the budget of the association for several years, nor the legal status of the association, without the authorisation of the General Assembly.

If these restrictions are not respected, the internal responsibility of the Board member(s) shall be engaged in any case, all notwithstanding the question of enforceability against third parties.

**Article 22**

The Board of Directors shall represent the association collegially. The Board of Directors may, however, appoint representatives of the association.

Only specific proxies limited to a determined legal document or to a series of determined legal documents shall be allowed.

Representatives shall commit the association within the limits of the proxy granted to them, which shall be enforceable against third parties in accordance with the statutory legislation relating to mandates.

Board members and persons appointed to day-to-day administration shall not enter into any personal obligation relating to the undertakings of the association. Their responsibility shall be limited to the execution of their mission in accordance with the common law, the provisions of the law and the provisions of the Statutes of Association, as well as with the mistakes made in their administration.
**Article 23**

The day-to-day administration of the association on an internal level, together with external representation in relation to this day-to-day administration, may be delegated by the Board of Directors to the Secretary-General or to several persons.

If use is made of this option, it shall be worth specifying whether these persons are allowed to act individually or jointly or as a college, both as regards internal administration and as regards the power of external representation within the framework of this day-to-day administration.

In the absence of a legal definition of the concept of ‘day-to-day administration’, any operations that have to be carried out from day to day to guarantee the smooth running of the association and which, by virtue of their lesser importance or the need to take a quick decision, do not require the intervention of the Board of Directors or do not make such intervention desirable, shall be deemed to be acts of day-to-day administration.

The nomination and cessation of functions of persons charged with day-to-day administration shall be recorded in minutes listing those persons who represent the association in matters of day-to-day administration, and specifying the scope of their powers.

**Article 24**

The association may be financed, inter alia, by subsidies, allowances, donations, fees, legacies and other provisions of last wills and testaments, obtained both to support the general aims of the association and to support a specific project, with due regard for the provisions under Article 16 of the Act on non-profit-making organisations.

The association may also raise funds in any other legal manner that complies with the Act on non-profit-making organisations.

**Article 25**

The treasurer shall keep regular accounts.

The accounts – in the same way as a budget proposal for the following year – shall be submitted to the General Assembly for approval, after having been inspected by an external audit, which shall apply the rules of the European Parliament for European political foundations, which shall be applicable to this association in this respect.

The financial year shall begin on 1 January and end on 31 December.

**Article 26**

In accordance with the provisions under Article 22 of the Act on associations, if there is provision in the Statutes of Association, the winding-up decision of the General Assembly shall also determine the allocation of assets and, if the General Assembly fails to rule on this point, the administrators shall allocate the assets in a way that approaches as closely as possible the object in view of which the association was created.

The General Assembly may only order the association to be wound up if two thirds of current members are present. If this condition is not met, a second Assembly may be convened, at least 30 days after the first Assembly, which shall legally consider the matter irrespective of the number of members present.

The winding-up of the association shall only be permitted if it is voted for by a two-thirds majority of members present.

Any decision ordering the winding-up of the association taken by an Assembly not comprising two thirds of the members of the association shall be subject to the approval of the civil court.

**Article 27**

For all unforeseen cases not provided for in these Statutes of Association, the partners shall refer and expressly submit to the provisions of the Act of 26 April 1928.
V

(Announcements)

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

CALL FOR PROPOSALS — EACEA/28/2017
under the Erasmus+ programme

Key Action 3: Support for policy reform — Initiatives for Policy Innovation

European policy experimentations in the fields of Education and Training led by high-level public authorities

(2017/C 416/03)

1. Description, Objectives and Priority Themes

European policy experimentations under 'Erasmus+ Key Action 3 (Support for policy reform) — Initiatives for policy innovation' (1) are transnational cooperation projects supporting the implementation of the European Union policy agendas on Education and Training, including sector-specific agendas such as the Bologna and Copenhagen processes.

The general objective of this call for proposals is to promote the improvement of the effectiveness and efficiency of education and training systems through the collection and evaluation of evidence on the systemic impact of innovative policy measures. This call requires the involvement of high-level public authorities of the eligible countries and the use of sound and widely recognised evaluation methods based on field trials (experimentation).

The specific objectives of this call are to:

— Promote trans-national cooperation and mutual learning among public authorities at the highest institutional level of the eligible countries in order to foster systemic improvement and innovation in the education and training fields,

— Enhance the collection and analysis of substantive evidence to ensure the successful implementation of innovative measures,

— Facilitate the transferability and scalability of innovative measures.

The priority themes for this call are:

— Promoting social inclusion and shared EU values through formal and non-formal learning

— Mainstreaming and further developing multilingual pedagogies in school education (e.g. working in multilingual classrooms/with bilingual children) and supporting teachers and their training to deal with diversity in classrooms;

— Digital assessment: identifying best practices across educational sectors and countries and scaling up of best practices and experimentation;

— VET teachers and trainers in work-based learning/apprenticeship (VET);

— Implementation of Upskilling Pathways for adults without an upper secondary qualification or equivalent;

— Policies and incentives to support innovative teaching and pedagogical training in higher education, including through open and digital education;

— Creation of a European-wide hub for online learning, blended/virtual mobility, virtual campuses and collaborative exchange of best practices.

2. Eligible applicants

Applicants considered eligible to respond to this call are:

a) Public authorities (Ministry or equivalent) responsible for education and training at the highest level in the relevant national or regional context (corresponding to NUTS codes 1 or 2; for countries where NUTS codes 1 or 2 are not available, the highest NUTS code available applies (1)). Responsible public authorities for sectors other than education and training (e.g. employment, finance, social affairs, home affairs, justice, health, etc.) are considered eligible as long as they demonstrate that they have a specific competence in the area in which the experimentation is to be carried out. Public authorities can delegate to be represented by other public or private organisations, as well as by legally established networks or associations of public authorities, provided that the delegation is in writing and makes explicit reference to the proposal being submitted.

b) Public or private organisations or institutions active in the fields of education or training or other relevant fields.

c) Public or private organisations or institutions carrying out cross-sector activities linked to education and training in other socioeconomic sectors (e.g. NGOs, information or guidance services, public authorities, agencies or services responsible for: education, training, youth, employment, social affairs, home affairs, justice, quality assurance, recognition and/or validation; career guidance, chambers of commerce, business and social partners, trade organisations, civil society, cultural or sport organisations, evaluation or research entities, media etc.).

Only proposals from legal entities established in the following programme countries are eligible:

— the 28 Member States of the European Union,

— the EFTA/EEA countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway,

— EU candidate countries: Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Minimum partnership composition requirement

The minimum partnership composition requirement for this call is: 4 entities representing 3 eligible countries. Specifically:

— At least three public authorities (Ministries or equivalent) or delegated bodies (as described in Section 2a) each from a different programme country, or a legally established network/association of public authorities representing at least three different programme countries. The network or association must have a delegation from at least 3 responsible public authorities (as described in Section 2a)) to operate on their behalf for the specific project proposal.

Partnerships must include at least one responsible public authority as indicated under Section 2a) from a Member State of the European Union.

— At least one public or private entity with expertise in counterfactual analysis and policy impact evaluation (‘researcher’). Such entity shall be responsible for the methodological aspects and the field trial protocols. The partnership can involve more than one such entity, as long as the work is coordinated and consistent.

(1) http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/nuts/overview
A project proposal can only be coordinated and submitted — on behalf of all applicants — by one of the following:

— A public authority as described under Section 2a);

— A legally established network or association of public authorities as described under Section 2a);

— A public or private entity delegated to reply to the call by a public authority described under Section 2a). Delegated entities must have an explicit endorsement in writing by a public authority as described under Section 2a), to submit and coordinate the project proposal on their behalf.

Applications must be submitted by the legal representative of the coordinator on behalf of all applicants. Only organisations that are in a position to demonstrate their existence as a legal person for at least 3 years (1) on the date of the deadline for submission of pre-proposals referred to in Section 6 are considered eligible as ‘coordinator’ for the purpose of this call.

Natural persons may not apply for a grant.

3. Eligible activities and duration

Eligible activities should be in line with Annex 1 of the guidelines for applicants. The field trials must take place at least in three countries whose public authorities as described under Section 2a) (or delegated entities) are involved in the project.

Activities must start between 1 January 2019 and 28 February 2019.

4. Award Criteria

Proposals will be submitted and evaluated in two stages, involving a pre-proposal (Stage I) and a full proposal (Stage II).

Eligible pre-proposals will be assessed on the award criterion ‘Relevance of the project’ (maximum 20 points). Eligible applicants reaching the minimum threshold of 12 points on the score for the award criterion ‘Relevance of the project’ will be invited to submit a full proposal which will develop in an elaborate and comprehensive way the outline provided in the pre-proposal.

All applicants having submitted pre-proposals will be notified by email about the pre-selection results and will receive a summary evaluation of their pre-proposal.

Full proposals will be assessed on the basis of eligibility, exclusion, selection, and the three remaining award criteria: ‘quality of the project design and implementation’, ‘quality of the partnership and cooperation arrangements’, and ‘impact, dissemination, and sustainability’.

The Agency will verify that the eligibility of full proposals is confirmed in the second stage and, where appropriate, is supported by the required documentation (Section 14.3.2 of the Guidelines for applicants).

The award criteria (see Section 9 of the Guidelines for applicants) for the funding of a proposal are:

1. Relevance of the project (maximum 20 points);

2. Quality of the project design and implementation (maximum 30 points);

3. Quality of the partnership and cooperation arrangements (maximum 20 points);

4. Impact, dissemination, and sustainability (maximum 30 points).

The calculation of the total score for the full proposal will include the score obtained for ‘Relevance of the project’ at pre-proposal stage. Only full proposals having reached at least the threshold of 60 points of the total score (i.e. score on the award criterion ‘Relevance of the project’ assessed in the first stage plus scores on the other three award criteria assessed in the second stage) will be considered for EU funding.

(1) ‘Date main registration’ in the legal entity form:
http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/legal_entities/legal_entities_en.cfm#en
All applicants having submitted full proposal applications will be notified by email about the final selection results and receive an evaluation report.

5. **Budget**

The total budget available for the co-financing of projects under the present call is EUR 10,000,000.

The financial contribution from the EU cannot exceed 75% of the total eligible costs.

The maximum grant per project will be EUR 2,000,000.

The Agency reserves the right not to distribute all the funds available.

6. **Procedure for Submission and Deadlines**

The submission and selection of proposals will take place in two stages: pre-proposal stage and full proposal stage.

Applicants are requested to read carefully all information about the call for proposals and the submission procedure, and to use the documents forming part of the application (Application Package) at: https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding/key-action-3-initiatives-for-policy-innovation-european-policy-experimentation-eacea-282017_en

The Application Package must be submitted online using the correct e-form, duly completed and containing all relevant and applicable annexes and supporting documents. The application forms are available on the internet at the following address: https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/PPMT/

Application forms which do not include all the necessary information and which are not submitted online by the deadline will not be considered.

Grant applications must be written in one of the official EU languages.

**Submission deadlines:**

— Pre-proposals: **10 April 2018** — 12.00 noon CET

— Full proposals: **25 September 2018** — 12.00 noon CET

7. **Further information**

For more details, please refer to the Guidelines for Applicants.

The Guidelines for applicants and the Application Package are available on the following website:

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding/key-action-3-initiatives-for-policy-innovation-european-policy-experimentation-eacea-282017_en

E-mail contact details: EACEA-Policy-Support@ec.europa.eu
Notice of initiation of an expiry review of the anti-dumping measures applicable to imports of chamois leather originating in the People’s Republic of China

(2017/C 416/04)

Following the publication of a Notice of impending expiry (1) of the anti-dumping measures in force on the imports of chamois leather originating in the People’s Republic of China, the European Commission (‘the Commission’) has received a request for review pursuant to Article 11(2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union (2) (the basic Regulation).

1. Request for review

The request was lodged on 7 September 2017 by the UK Leather Federation (‘the applicant’) on behalf of producers representing more than 25% of the total Union production of chamois leather.

2. Product under review

The product subject to this review is chamois leather and combination chamois leather, whether or not cut to shape, including crust chamois leather and combination crust chamois leather (‘the product under review’) originating in the People’s Republic of China (‘the country concerned’), currently falling within CN codes 4114 10 10 and 4114 10 90.

3. Existing measures

The measures currently in force are a definitive anti-dumping duty imposed by Council Regulation (EU) No 1153/2012 (3).

4. Grounds for the review

The request is based on the grounds that the expiry of the measures would be likely to result in continuation of dumping and continuation of injury to the Union industry.

4.1. Allegation of likelihood of continuation of dumping

The allegation of likelihood of continuation of dumping is based on a comparison of the normal value with the export price (at ex-works level) of the product under review when sold for export to the Union.

The information available to the Commission contains a comparison of the normal value with the export price (at ex-works level) of the product under review when sold for export to the Union.

On this basis the dumping margins calculated are significant for the country concerned.

4.2. Allegation of likelihood of continuation and recurrence of injury

The prima facie evidence provided by the applicant shows that even though imports of the product under review to the Union have decreased in absolute terms and in terms of market shares, there is still a negative impact on the level of prices charged, the market share held by the Union industry and the overall financial situation of the Union industry.

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(1) OJ C 72, 8.3.2017, p. 3.
The applicant has also provided *prima facie* evidence that should measures lapse, imports of the product under review from the country concerned to the Union is likely to increase due to the existence of unused capacity for the production of the product under review in the country concerned.

In addition, the applicant alleges that any substantial increase of imports at dumped prices from the country concerned would be likely to cause further injury to the Union industry should measures be allowed to lapse.

The applicant finally allege that the partial removal of injury has been mainly due to the existence of measures and that any recurrence of substantial imports at dumped prices from the country concerned would likely lead to further injury to the Union industry should measures be allowed to lapse.

5. **Procedure**

Having determined, after consulting the Committee established by Article 15(1) of the basic Regulation, that sufficient evidence exists to justify the initiation of an expiry review, the Commission hereby initiates a review in accordance with Article 11(2) of the basic Regulation.

The expiry review will determine whether the expiry of the measures would be likely to lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping of the product under review originating in the country concerned and a continuation or recurrence of injury to the Union industry.

5.1. **Review investigation period and period considered**

The investigation of a continuation or recurrence of dumping will cover the period from 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017 (the review investigation period). The examination of trends relevant for the assessment of the likelihood of a continuation or recurrence of injury will cover the period from 1 January 2014 to the end of the investigation period (the period considered).

5.2. **Procedure for the determination of a likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping**

Exporting producers (1) of the product under review from the country concerned, including those that did not cooperate in the investigations leading to the measures in force, are invited to participate in the Commission investigation.

5.2.1. **Investigating exporting producers**

Procedure for selecting exporting producers to be investigated in the People's Republic of China

**Sampling**

In view of the potentially large number of exporting producers in the People's Republic of China involved in this expiry review and in order to complete the investigation within the statutory time limits, the Commission may limit the exporting producers to be investigated to a reasonable number by selecting a sample (this process is also referred to as 'sampling'). The sampling will be carried out in accordance with Article 17 of the basic Regulation.

In order to enable the Commission to decide whether sampling is necessary, and if so, to select a sample, all exporting producers, or representatives acting on their behalf, including the ones who did not cooperate in the investigation leading to the measures subject to the present review, are hereby requested to make themselves known to the Commission. These parties have to do so within 15 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the Official Journal of the European Union, unless otherwise specified, by providing the Commission with the information on their company(ies) requested in Annex 1 to this Notice.

In order to obtain the information it deems necessary for the selection of the sample of exporting producers, the Commission will also contact the authorities of People's Republic of China and may contact any known associations of exporting producers.

All interested parties wishing to submit any other relevant information regarding the selection of the sample, excluding the information requested above, must do so within 21 days of the publication of this Notice in the Official Journal of the European Union, unless otherwise specified.

If a sample is necessary, the exporting producers will be selected based on the largest representative volume of production, sales or exports which can reasonably be investigated within the time available. All known exporting producers, the authorities of the country concerned and associations of exporting producers will be notified by the Commission, via the authorities of the country concerned if appropriate, of the companies selected to be in the sample.

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(1) An exporting producer is any company in the country concerned which produces and exports the product under review to the Union market, either directly or via third party, including any of its related companies involved in the production, domestic sales or exports of the product under review.
In order to obtain the information it deems necessary for its investigation with regard to exporting producers, the Commission will send questionnaires to the exporting producers selected to be in the sample, to any known association of exporting producers and to the authorities of the People's Republic of China.

All exporting producers selected to be in the sample, will have to submit a completed questionnaire within 37 days from the date of notification of the sample selection, unless otherwise specified.

Without prejudice to the possible application of Article 18 of the basic Regulation, companies that have agreed to their possible inclusion in the sample but are not selected to be in the sample will be considered to be cooperating (‘non-sampled cooperating exporting producers’). The anti-dumping duty that may be applied to imports from the non-sampled cooperating exporting producers will not exceed the weighted average margin of dumping established for the exporting producers in the sample (\(^1\)).

5.2.2. Additional procedure with regard to exporting producers in the People’s Republic of China

Selection of a market economy third country

In accordance with Article 2(7)(a) of the basic Regulation, in the case of imports from the People’s Republic of China, normal value is normally determined on the basis of the price or constructed value in a market economy third country, or the price from such a third country to other countries, including the Union, or where those are not possible, on any other reasonable basis, including the price actually paid or payable in the Union for the like product, duly adjusted if necessary to include a reasonable profit margin.

For this purpose, the Commission will select an appropriate market economy third country. In the previous investigation, India was used as a market economy third country for the purpose of establishing normal value in respect of the country concerned. For the purpose of the current investigation, the Commission envisages using the prices in the Union. According to the information available to the Commission, other market economy producers may be located in India, Nigeria, Turkey and New Zealand.

With the aim of finally selecting the market economy third country, the Commission will examine whether there is production and sales of the product under review in those market economy third countries for which there are indications that production of the product under review is taking place. Interested parties are hereby invited to comment on the choice of the market economy third country within 10 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the Official Journal of the European Union.

5.2.3. Investigating unrelated importers (\(^1\)) (\(^1\))

Unrelated importers of the product under review from the country concerned to the Union, including those that did not cooperate in the investigations leading to the measures in force, are invited to participate in this investigation.

In view of the potentially large number of unrelated importers involved in this expiry review and in order to complete the investigation within the statutory time limits, the Commission may limit to a reasonable number the unrelated importers that will be investigated by selecting a sample (this process is also referred to as ‘sampling’). The sampling will be carried out in accordance with Article 17 of the basic Regulation.

\(^1\) Pursuant to Article 9(6) of the basic Regulation, any zero and de minimis margins, and margins established in accordance with the circumstances described in Article 18 of the basic Regulation will be disregarded.

\(^1\) Only importers not related to exporting producers can be sampled. Importers that are related to exporting producers have to fill in Annex 1 to the questionnaire for these exporting producers. In accordance with Article 127 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/2447 of 24 November 2015 laying down detailed rules for implementing certain provisions of Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the Union Customs Code (OJ L 343, 29.12.2015, p. 558), two persons shall be deemed to be related if: (a) they are officers or directors of the other person’s business; (b) they are family members; (c) they are employer and employee; (d) a third party directly or indirectly owns, controls or holds 5% or more of the outstanding voting stock or shares of both of them; (e) one of them directly or indirectly controls the other; (f) both of them are directly or indirectly controlled by a third person; (g) together they control a third person directly or indirectly; or (h) they are members of the same family. Persons shall be deemed to be members of the same family only if they stand in any of the following relationships to one another: (i) husband and wife, (ii) parent and child, (iii) brother and sister (whether by whole or half blood), (iv) grandparent and grandchild, (v) uncle or aunt and nephew or niece, (vi) parent-in-law and son-in-law or daughter-in-law, (vii) brother-in-law and sister-in-law. In accordance with Article 5(4) of Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 October 2013 laying down the Union Customs Code (OJ L 269, 10.10.2013, p. 1), ‘person’ means a natural person, a legal person, and any association of persons which is not a legal person but which is recognised under Union or national law as having the capacity to perform legal acts.

\(^1\) The data provided by unrelated importers may also be used in relation to aspects of this investigation other than the determination of dumping.
In order to enable the Commission to decide whether sampling is necessary and, if so, to select a sample, all unrelated importers, or representatives acting on their behalf, including the ones who did not cooperate in the investigations leading to the measures subject to the present review, are hereby requested to make themselves known to the Commission. These parties must do so within 15 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, unless otherwise specified, by providing the Commission with the information on their company(ies) requested in Annex II to this Notice.

In order to obtain information it deems necessary for the selection of the sample of unrelated importers, the Commission may also contact any known associations of importers.

All interested parties wishing to submit any other relevant information regarding the selection of the sample, excluding the information requested above, must do so within 21 days of the publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, unless otherwise specified.

If a sample is necessary, the importers may be selected based on the largest representative volume of sales of the product under review in the Union which can reasonably be investigated within the time available. All known unrelated importers and associations of importers will be notified by the Commission of the companies selected to be in the sample.

In order to obtain the information it deems necessary for its investigation, the Commission will send questionnaires to the sampled unrelated importers and to any known association of importers. These parties must submit a completed questionnaire within 37 days from the date of the notification of the sample selection, unless otherwise specified.

5.3. *Procedure for the determination of a likelihood of a continuation or recurrence of injury*

In order to establish whether there is a likelihood of a continuation of injury to the Union industry, Union producers of the product under review are invited to participate in the Commission investigation.

5.3.1. *Investigating Union producers*

In order to obtain the information it deems necessary for its investigation with regard to Union producers the Commission will send questionnaires to known Union producers or representative Union producers and to any known association of Union producers, including the ones who did not cooperate in the investigation leading to the measures subject to the present review.

The aforementioned Union producers and the associations of Union producers must submit the completed questionnaire within 37 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, unless otherwise specified.

Any Union producer and association of Union producers is invited to contact the Commission, preferably by email, immediately but no later than 15 days after the publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, unless otherwise specified, in order to make itself known and request a questionnaire.

5.4. *Procedure for the assessment of Union interest*

Should the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury be confirmed, a decision will be reached, pursuant to Article 21 of the basic Regulation, as to whether maintaining the anti-dumping measures would not be against the Union interest. Union producers, importers and their representative associations, users and their representative associations, and representative consumer organisations are invited to make themselves known within 15 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, unless otherwise specified. In order to participate in the investigation, the representative consumer organisations have to demonstrate, within the same deadline, that there is an objective link between their activities and the product under review.

Parties that make themselves known within the above deadline may provide the Commission with information on the Union interest within 37 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, unless otherwise specified. This information may be provided either in a free format or by completing a questionnaire prepared by the Commission. In any case, information submitted pursuant to Article 21 will only be taken into account if supported by factual evidence at the time of submission.

5.5. *Other written submissions*

Subject to the provisions of this Notice, all interested parties are hereby invited to make their views known, submit information and provide supporting evidence. Unless otherwise specified, this information and supporting evidence must reach the Commission within 37 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*. 
5.6. **Possibility to be heard by the Commission investigation services**

All interested parties may request to be heard by the Commission investigation services. Any request to be heard must be made in writing and must specify the reasons for the request. For hearings on issues pertaining to the initial stage of the investigation the request must be submitted within 15 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the *Official Journal of the European Union*. Thereafter, a request to be heard must be submitted within the specific deadlines set by the Commission in its communication with the parties.

5.7. **Instructions for making written submissions and sending completed questionnaires and correspondence**

Information submitted to the Commission for the purpose of trade defence investigations shall be free from copyrights. Interested parties, before submitting to the Commission information and/or data which is subject to third party copyrights, must request specific permission to the copyright holder explicitly allowing a) the Commission to use the information and data for the purpose of this trade defence proceeding and b) to provide the information and/or data to interested parties to this investigation in a form that allows them to exercise their rights of defence.

All written submissions, including the information requested in this Notice, completed questionnaires and correspondence provided by interested parties for which confidential treatment is requested shall be labelled 'Limited' (1).

Interested parties providing ‘Limited’ information are required to furnish non-confidential summaries of it pursuant to Article 19(2) of the basic Regulation, which will be labelled ‘For inspection by interested parties’. These summaries must be sufficiently detailed to permit a reasonable understanding of the substance of the information submitted in confidence. If an interested party providing confidential information does not furnish a non-confidential summary of it in the requested format and quality, such information may be disregarded.

Interested parties are invited to make all submissions and requests by email including scanned powers of attorney and certification sheets, with the exception of voluminous replies which shall be submitted on a CD-ROM or DVD by hand or by registered mail.


The interested parties must indicate their name, address, telephone and a valid email address and they should ensure that the provided email address is a functioning official business email which is checked on a daily basis. Once contact details are provided, the Commission will communicate with interested parties by email only, unless they explicitly request to receive all documents from the Commission by another means of communication or unless the nature of the document to be sent requires the use of a registered mail. For further rules and information concerning correspondence with the Commission including principles that apply to submissions by email, interested parties should consult the communication instructions with interested parties referred to above.

Commission address for correspondence:

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Directorate-General for Trade
Directorate H
Office: CHAR 04/039
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel
BELGIQUE/BELGIË
E-mail: TRADE-AD-chamois@ec.europa.eu

6. **Non-cooperation**

In cases where any interested party refuses access to or does not provide the necessary information within the time limits, or significantly impedes the investigation, findings, affirmative or negative, may be made on the basis of facts available, in accordance with Article 18 of the basic Regulation.

(1) A ‘Limited’ document is a document which is considered confidential pursuant to Article 19 of the basic Regulation and Article 6 of the WTO Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the GATT 1994 (Anti-Dumping Agreement). It is also a document protected pursuant to Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43).
Where it is found that any interested party has supplied false or misleading information, the information may be disregarded and use may be made of facts available.

If an interested party does not cooperate or cooperates only partially and findings are therefore based on facts available in accordance with Article 18 of the basic Regulation, the result may be less favourable to that party than if it had cooperated.

Failure to give a computerised response shall not be deemed to constitute non-cooperation, provided that the interested party shows that presenting the response as requested would result in an unreasonable extra burden or unreasonable additional cost. The interested party should immediately contact the Commission.

7. Hearing Officer

Interested parties may request the intervention of the Hearing Officer in trade proceedings. The Hearing Officer acts as an interface between the interested parties and the Commission investigation services. The Hearing Officer reviews requests for access to the file, disputes regarding the confidentiality of documents, requests for extension of time limits and requests by third parties to be heard. The Hearing Officer may organise a hearing with an individual interested party and mediate to ensure that the interested parties’ rights of defence are being fully exercised.

A request for a hearing with the Hearing Officer should be made in writing and should specify the reasons for the request. For hearings on issues pertaining to the initial stage of the investigation the request must be submitted within 15 days of the date of publication of this Notice in the Official Journal of the European Union. Thereafter, a request to be heard must be submitted within specific deadlines set by the Commission in its communication with the parties.

For further information and contact details interested parties may consult the Hearing Officer’s web pages on DG Trade’s website: http://ec.europa.eu/trade/trade-policy-and-you/contacts/hearing-officer/

8. Schedule of the investigation

The investigation will be concluded, pursuant to Article 11(5) of the basic Regulation within 15 months of the date of the publication of this Notice in the Official Journal of the European Union.

9. Possibility to request a review under Article 11(3) of the basic Regulation

As this expiry review is initiated in accordance with the provisions of Article 11(2) of the basic Regulation, the findings thereof will not lead to the existing measures being amended but will lead to those measures being repealed or maintained in accordance with Article 11(6) of the basic Regulation.

If any interested party considers that a review of the measures is warranted so as to allow for the possibility to amend the measures, that party may request a review pursuant to Article 11(3) of the basic Regulation.

Parties wishing to request such a review, which would be carried out independently of the expiry review mentioned in this Notice, may contact the Commission at the address given above.

10. Processing of personal data

Any personal data collected in this investigation will be treated in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data (*)

ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDING CONCERNING IMPORTS OF CHAMOIS LEATHER ORIGINATING IN THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

INFORMATION FOR THE SELECTION OF THE SAMPLE OF EXPORTING PRODUCERS IN THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

This form is designed to assist exporting producers in the People’s Republic of China in responding to the request for sampling information made in point 5.2.1 of the Notice of Initiation.

Both the ‘Limited’ version and the version ‘For inspection by interested parties’ should be returned to the Commission as set out in the Notice of Initiation.

1. IDENTITY AND CONTACT DETAILS

Supply the following details about your company:

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2. TURNOVER, SALES VOLUME, PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION CAPACITY

As regards the product under review as defined in the Notice of Initiation and originating in the country concerned, for the review investigation period defined in Section 5.1 of the Notice, please indicate export sales to the Union for each of the 28 Member States(1) separately and in total, export sales to the rest of the world (total and the 5 biggest importing countries), domestic sales, production and production capacity, State the unit of weight or volume and the currency used.

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(1) The 28 Member States of the European Union are: Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.
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Domestic sales of the product under review, manufactured by your company

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Your company's overall production of the product under review

Your company's production capacity of the product under review

3. **ACTIVITIES OF YOUR COMPANY AND RELATED COMPANIES (†)**

Give details of the precise activities of the company and all related companies (please list them and state the relationship to your company) involved in the production and/or selling (export and/or domestic) of the product under review. Such activities could include but are not limited to purchasing the product under review or producing it under sub-contracting arrangements, or processing or trading the product under review.

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4. **OTHER INFORMATION**

Please provide any other relevant information which the company considers useful to assist the Commission in the selection of the sample.

5. **CERTIFICATION**

By providing the above information, the company agrees to its possible inclusion in the sample. If the company is selected to be part of the sample, this will involve completing a questionnaire and accepting a visit at its premises in order to verify its response. If the company indicates that it does not agree to its possible inclusion in the sample, it will be deemed not to have cooperated in the investigation. The Commission’s findings for non-cooperating exporting producers are based on facts available and the result may be less favourable to that company than if it had cooperated.

Signature of authorised official:

Name and title of authorised official:

Date:

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ANNEX II

☐ ‘Limited’ version (*)
☐ Version ‘For inspection by interested parties’
(tick the appropriate box)

ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDING CONCERNING IMPORTS OF CHAMOIS LEATHER ORIGINATING IN THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

INFORMATION FOR THE SELECTION OF THE SAMPLE OF UNRELATED IMPORTERS

This form is designed to assist unrelated importers in responding to the request for sampling information made in point 5.2.3 of the Notice of Initiation.

Both the ‘Limited’ version and the version ‘For inspection by interested parties’ should be returned to the Commission as set out in the Notice of Initiation.

1. identity and contact details

Supply the following details about your company:

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2. turnover and sales volume

Indicate the total turnover in euros (EUR) of the company, and the turnover and weight or volume for imports into the Union (*) and resales on the Union market after importation from the People’s Republic of China, during the review investigation period, of chamois leather as defined in the Notice of Initiation and the corresponding weight or volume. State the unit of weight or volume used.

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(*) The 28 Member States of the European Union are: Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.
3. ACTIVITIES OF YOUR COMPANY AND RELATED COMPANIES (*)

Give details of the precise activities of the company and all related companies (please list them and state the relationship to your company) involved in the production and/or selling (export and/or domestic) of the product under review. Such activities could include but are not limited to purchasing the product under review or producing it under sub-contracting arrangements, or processing or trading the product under review.

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4. OTHER INFORMATION

Please provide any other relevant information which the company considers useful to assist the Commission in the selection of the sample.

5. CERTIFICATION

By providing the above information, the company agrees to its possible inclusion in the sample. If the company is selected to be part of the sample, this will involve completing a questionnaire and accepting a visit at its premises in order to verify its response. If the company indicates that it does not agree to its possible inclusion in the sample, it will be deemed not to have cooperated in the investigation. The Commission’s findings for non-cooperating importers are based on the facts available and the result may be less favourable to that company than if it had cooperated.

Signature of authorised official:

Name and title of authorised official:

Date:

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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.8655 — KKR/LS Mtron/LS Auto)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2017/C 416/05)

1. On 29 November 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (1).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:
— KKR (United States),
— LS Mtron (South Korea), controlled by LS Corporation,
— LS Auto (South Korea), controlled by LS Mtron,
— LS Mtron copper foil and flexible copper clad laminate ('the Businesses', South Korea), controlled by LS Mtron.

KKR and LS Mtron acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and Article 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of the whole of LS Auto. KKR acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of the Businesses.

The concentration is accomplished by way of a purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
— KKR is a global investment firm, which invest in companies in a variety of sectors.
— LS Mtron is active in the manufacture and sale of industrial machinery, electricity and electronics, circuit materials, and auto parts. LS Mtron’s major products include tractors, injection molding machines, track shoes, connectors/antenna, copper foil, auto parts, ultra-capacitor, and flexible copper clad laminate.
— LS Auto is an automotive component manufacturer. It operates three main businesses in the auto part industry: Human Machine Interface (switches, lamps), Body Control Systems (sensors to monitor and control electronic accessories) and Mechatronic Components (relays and ABS coil housing).
— The Businesses are active in the manufacture and supply of copper foil and flexible copper clad laminate.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.

Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (2) it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.

4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

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M.8655 — KKR/LS Mtron/LS Auto

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Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.8723 — Aviva Investors/ERAFP/Place des Halles shopping centre)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2017/C 416/06)

1. On 28 November 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (1).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:
— Aviva Investors Luxembourg SA (‘Aviva Investors’, Luxembourg),
— Établissement de retraite additionnelle de la fonction publique (‘ERAFP’, France),
— Place des Halles shopping centre (‘Place des Halles’, France).

Aviva Investors and ERAFP acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation joint control over Place des Halles.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of assets.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
— for Aviva Investors: asset management company within the Aviva Investors asset management business, which forms part of the Aviva group, active in the provision of a broad range of insurance, savings and investment products across 16 countries,
— for ERAFP: French state-supervised public sector administrative entity dedicated to the management of the civil servants public scheme,
— for Place des Halles: shopping centre, with a lettable area of 39 269 m², situated in Place des Halles, Strasbourg (France).

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.

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Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.8684 — La Poste/Generali/Malakoff Médéric/EAP France)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2017/C 416/07)

1. On 28 November 2017, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (1).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:
— La Poste Silver SAS (France), belonging to the La Poste group (France),
— Europ Assistance France SA (France), controlled by Assicurazioni Generali SpA (‘Generali’, Italy),
— Malakoff Médéric Assurances SA (France), a subsidiary of Malakoff Médéric group (France)
— EAP France SAS (France).

La Poste, Generali and Malakoff Médéric acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and Article 3(4) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of EAP France.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
— for La Poste: centred on five main business arms: the post and parcel services arm, the express courier arm GeoPost, the La Banque Postale banking and insurance services arm, the Réseau La Poste network of post offices and the Numérique digital services arm (digital transformation of organisations, data processing, e-commerce and e-health),
— for Generali: life insurance and non-life insurance worldwide,
— for Malakoff Médéric: personal insurance,
— for EAP France: corporate concierge services.

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.

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