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Brussels, 11. 12. 2014 14. 12. 2014

Subject: Action Grant 2014 - European Qualifications Framework (EQF)

National Qualifications Databases (NQD) Decision number - 2014 - 3416 / 001 - 001

Project Nr 559133-EPP-1-2014-2-SK-EPPKA3-EQF-NCP

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correspondence not being processed)

Dear Madam/ Dear Sir,

I am pleased to inform you that following the examination of your grant request, your request for European Union support for the above mentioned action has been accepted.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Grant Decision and its Annexes stating the general obligations incumbent upon recipients of a European Union grant. As the Decision and Annexes are binding upon beneficiaries you are advised to familiarise yourself with their content.

Please note that this Decision represents a simplification of previous procedures and that you **are not required** to return to us a signed copy of the Decision.

For any questions related to this matter please address e-mail correspondence to the functional mailbox EACEA-POLICY-NETWORKS@ec.europa.eu.

The main contact in EACEA for this action is Ms. Michèle GROMBEER (+32 229 86 877).

Yours faithfully,

Ralf RAHDERS Head of Unit

Enclosures: Grant Decision and its Annexes

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GRANT DECISION FOR AN ACTION

DECISION NUMBER - 2014 - 3416 / 001 - 001

of the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency

on the award of a grant to support

European Qualifications Framework (EQF) National Qualifications Databases (NQD)

within the Erasmus+ Programme

The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (hereinafter referred to as "the Agency"), acting under powers delegated by the European Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission"),

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

Having regard to the Regulation No 1288/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Erasmus+: The Union Programme for education, training, youth and sport, for the period 2014 to 2020¹;

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union² (hereinafter the «Financial Regulation») and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union³ provide the framework for the award of Union grants;

¹ OJ L 347 of 20.12.2013, p. 50.

² OJ L 298 of 26.10.2012, p. 1.

³ OJ L 362 of 31.12.2012, p. 1.

- (2) Commission Implementing Decision of 18 December 2013 establishing the "Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency" and repealing Decision CE(2009)336 of 20 April 2009 setting up the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency for the management of Community action in the fields of education, audiovisual and culture in application of Council Regulation (EC) No 58/2003 provides that the Agency is responsible for the management of grants to be awarded under the Union programmes delegated to it, including, including the Erasmus+ Programme;
- (3) Commission Decision C(2013)9189 of 18 December 2013 delegating powers to the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency with a view to performance of tasks linked to implementation of Union Programmes in the fields of education, audiovisual and culture, comprising, in particular, implementation of appropriations entered in the general budget of the Union and the EDF allocations;
- (4) On 24 February 2014, the Agency has sent the restricted call EACEA 09/2014 (the "call") in order to support the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) National Coordination Points (NCP) within the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme;
- (5) Whereas this Grant Decision is the result of a call for restricted call of the Agency and of the General Conditions. Submission of a grant application implies acceptance of the General Conditions annexed to this Grant Decision;
- (6) The addressee of this Grant Decision presented a request for a grant under this restricted call (application No 559133-EPP-1-2014-2-SK-EPPKA3-EQF-NCP), wherein he declares that he has taken note of the conditions set out in the call, including the General Conditions of the model Grant Decision annexed to it, and accepts them;
- (7) The application fulfils the conditions set out in the abovementioned restricted call and has been selected;
- (8) The Council Regulation (Euratom, EC) No 2185/96 of 11 November 1996 concerning on-the-spot checks and inspections carried out by the Commission in order to protect the European Communities' financial interests against fraud and other irregularities and Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 883/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council of 11 September 2013 concerning investigations conducted by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF)⁸ provide for measures for the effective protection of the Union's financial interests;
- (9) The Agency, the Commission and the European Court of Auditors may check the use made of the grant at any time during the implementation of the action and during a period of five years following the date of payment of the balance or of three years following the payment of the balance in the case the maximum amount of the grant is not more than EUR 60.000.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

⁴ OJ L 343 of 19.12.2013, p. 46

⁵ OJ L 101 of 21.04.2009, p. 26, as amended subsequently.

⁶OJ L 11 of 16.01.2003, p. 1.

⁷ OJ L 292, 15.11.1996, p. 2-5

⁸ OJ L 136, 31.5.1999, p. 1-7

ARTICLE 1 – PURPOSE OF THE GRANT

A European Union grant is awarded to:

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hereinafter referred to as "the beneficiary",

represented for the purposes of this Grant Decision by Ivan Stankovsky,

for the action entitled **Support to the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) National Coordination Points (NCP)** ("the action") as described in Annex I, under the terms and conditions set out in the present Grant Decision, the General Conditions and the other Annexes to this Grant Decision.

The action shall correspond to the statutory activities and objectives of the beneficiary.

As declared in the application submitted, the beneficiary has accepted the grant and agreed to implement the action, acting on its own responsibility.

ARTICLE 2 – ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE GRANT DECISION AND DURATION

- 2.1 The Grant Decision shall enter into force on the date of its notification to the beneficiary.
- 2.2 The action shall run as of 01-12-2014 ("the starting date of the action") and shall end on 30-11-2016.

ARTICLE 3 – MAXIMUM AMOUNT AND FORM OF THE GRANT

The grant shall be of a **maximum amount of EUR 74.184,00** and shall take the form of:

- (a) The reimbursement of 75,00 % of the eligible costs of the action ("reimbursement of eligible costs"), which are estimated at EUR 98.912,00 and which are:
 - (i) actually incurred ("reimbursement of actual costs") for the [following]⁹ categories of costs indicated in Annex III
 - (ii) reimbursement of unit costs: not applicable
 - (iii) reimbursement of lump sum costs: not applicable
 - (iv) declared on the basis of a flat-rate of 7 % of the eligible direct costs ("reimbursement of flat rate costs") to cover the indirect costs

⁹ This option may be used if you want to single out a specific category of eligible expenditure in the budget which alone will be supported by the grant. At all events, the action's budget must cover the entire action in order to ensure that the co-financing rule, and ultimately the non-profit rule, is observed.

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- (b) *Unit contribution: not applicable.*
- (c) Lump sum contribution: not applicable.
- (d) Flat-rate contribution: not applicable

ARTICLE 4 – ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ON REPORTING, PAYMENTS AND PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

4.1 Reporting periods, payments and additional supporting documents

In addition to the provisions set out in the General Conditions n° 23 and 24, the following reporting and payment arrangements shall apply:

Upon notification of this Grant Decision, a pre-financing payment of 80% of the maximum amount specified in Article 3 shall be paid to the beneficiary;

Payment of the balance

Sole reporting period from 01-12-2014 to the end of the period set out in Article 2.2:

The balance shall be paid to the beneficiary, in accordance with General Condition n° 23.2, and subject to the receipt of the documents mentioned under the section "Other supporting document" below.

Other supporting documents

- Technical report providing details of the implementation and results of the action;
- Financial statement.
 - > For grants not exceeding EUR 60.000:

The request for payment of the balance shall be accompanied by a list of supporting documents as set out in Annex VI and in accordance with the requirements laid down in the restricted call for each grant for which the total contribution in the form of reimbursement of actual costs as referred to in Article 3(a)(i) is less than or equal to EUR 60.000.

> For grants of more than EUR 60.000 and less than EUR 750.000:

The request for payment of the balance shall be accompanied by a certificate on the financial statements and underlying accounts ("Report of Factual Findings on the Final Financial Report – Type I") as set out in Annex VI for each grant for which the total contribution in the form of reimbursement of actual costs as referred to in Article 3(a)(i) is more than EUR 60.000 and less than EUR 750.000.

4.2 Time limit for payments

The time limit for the Agency to make payment of the balance is 60 days.

4.3 Language of requests for payments, technical reports and financial statements

All requests for payments, technical reports and financial statements shall be submitted in English, French or German.

ARTICLE 5 – BANK ACCOUNT FOR PAYMENTS

All payments shall be made to the beneficiary's bank account, denominated in euro, as indicated below:

Name of bank: **STATNA POKLADNICA** Address of branch: RADLINSKEHO 32,

SK - BRATISLAVA

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Precise denomination of the account holder: DARY A GRANTY STATNY

INSTITUT ODBORNEHO VZDELAVANIA BA

Full account number (including bank codes): IBAN ONLY

IBAN code: SK278180000007000064444

ARTICLE 6 – DATA CONTROLLER AND COMMUNICATION DETAILS

6.1 Data controller

The entity acting as a data controller according to General Condition n° 6 shall be the person who is representing the Agency for the purposes of the signature of this Grant Decision.

6.2 Communication details of the Agency

Any communication addressed to the Agency shall be sent to the following address:

Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency

Ralf RAHDERS

Unit Erasmus+: Schools, Prospective Initiatives, Programme Coordination

Office: BOU2, 01/017 Avenue du Bourget 1 1049 Brussels

BELGIUM

E-mail address: <u>EACEA-policy-networks@ec.europa.eu</u>

6.3 Communication details of the beneficiary

This Grant Decision is addressed to the beneficiary:

STATNY INSTITUT ODBORNEHO VZDELAVANIA

Ivan Stankovsky BELLOVA 54/A,

SK - 83663 BRATISLAVA

Any communication from the Agency to the beneficiary shall be sent to the above mentioned address.

ARTICLE 7 – ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ON USE OF THE RESULTS (INCLUDING INTELLECTUAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY RIGHTS)

In addition to the provisions of General Condition n° 8.3, the beneficiary shall warrant that the Agency and/or the European Union (hereinafter referred to as the "Union") has the rights to:

(a) communicate the results of the action by any other types of communication not specified in the General Conditions;

- (b) edit or re-write in another way the results of the action, including shortening, summarising, modifying the content, correcting technical errors in the content;
- (c) cut, insert meta-data, legends or other graphic, visual, audio or word elements in the results of the action;
- (d) extract a part (e.g. audio or video files) of, divide into parts or compile the results of the action;
- (e) prepare derivative works of the results of the action;
- (f) translate, insert subtitles in, dub the results of the action in all official languages of EU
- (g) authorise or sub-licence the modes of exploitation set out above to third parties.

The Agency and/or the Union shall have the rights of use specified in the General Conditions and set out above for the whole duration of the industrial or intellectual property rights concerned.

ARTICLE 8 – SPECIAL PROVISIONS ON BUDGET TRANSFERS

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph of General Condition n° 22, budget transfers between budget categories are limited to 10% of the amount of each budget category for which the transfer is intended.

ARTICLE 9 - ORDER OF PRECEDENCE AND ANNEXES

The Annex II "General Conditions" (hereinafter referred to as the "General Conditions") and the other Annexes to the present Grant Decision form an integral part of the present Grant Decision. The terms set out in this Grant Decision shall take precedence over those in the General Conditions. The terms of the General Conditions shall take precedence over the other Annexes.

ARTICLE 10 – OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

10.1 – INAPPLICABILITY OF THE NO-PROFIT PRINCIPLE

By way of derogation from General Condition n° 25.3, the no-profit principle does not apply to the grants the maximum amount of which, as referred to in Article 3, is lower than or equal to EUR 60 000.

10.2 – ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ON AWARD OF CONTRACTS AND SUBCONTRACTING

In addition to the provisions set out in General Conditions n° 9 and 10, where the value of a contract awarded in accordance with those General Conditions exceeds EUR 60.000, the procurement must be subject to a procedure involving at least three tenderers without prior publication of a contract notice.

10.3 – SPECIAL PROVISIONS ON THE CONVERSION OF COSTS INCURRED IN ANOTHER CURRENCY INTO EURO

By way of derogation from General Condition n° 23.4, any conversion into euro of costs incurred in other currencies shall be made by the beneficiary at the monthly accounting rate established by the Commission and published on its website

(http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/inforeuro/inforeuro_en.cfm) applicable in **June 2014**.

10.4 PUBLICITY OBLIGATIONS

- a) For the purpose of the application of Article 10.4 and General condition n°7 of the decision, relating to the publicity and use of the relevant logo, the beneficiary shall follow the instructions available on the following Internet site: http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/about/logos_en.htm
 - b) Obligations of the beneficiary

Information requirements: The beneficiary shall inform the public, press and media of the action (internet included); which must, in conformity with General condition n°7, visibly indicate "with the support of the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union" as well as the graphic logos.

The translation of this phrase can be found at the following Internet website address: http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/about/logos en.htm

Where the action, or part of the action, is a publication the mention and graphic logos shall appear on the cover or the first pages following the editor's mention.

Use of signs and posters: If the action includes events for the logos mentioned under point a).

Authorisation to use the logos described in point a) implies no right of exclusive use and is limited to this agreement

If the action is co-financed, the importance given to the above-mentioned publicity must be in proportion with the level of Union financing.

c) The Agency shall consider this publicity obligation, foreseen in this article and in General condition n°7.1, as a "substantial obligation" within the meaning of General condition n°16.2.1(b) of the decision.

SIGNATURE

For the Agency

Ralf RAHDERS

Head of Unit

Authorising Officer by Sub-delegation

Done at Brussels, on

10/12/14

In duplicate in English

Annex I Description of the action

Annex II General Conditions (hereinafter referred to as "the General Conditions")

Annex III Estimated budget of the action

Annex IV Model technical report

Annex V Model financial statement

Annex VI List of supporting documents Guidance notes – Report of Factual Findings on the Final Financial Report – Type I

Annex VII Model terms of reference for the operational verification report: not applicable

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ANNEX I

DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTION

The grant awarded aims at implementing the activities as they are described in the application form submitted by the beneficiary (Detailed description of the project).

Any change to the eligible activities needs to be explicitly authorised by the Executive Agency.

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ANNEX II

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Submission of a grant application implies the acceptance of these General Conditions. These General Conditions bind the beneficiary to whom the grant is awarded and shall

constitute an annex to the Grant Decision.

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/about/documents/calls_gen_conditions/R2_grant-decision-action-mono-en_07-03-2013.pdf

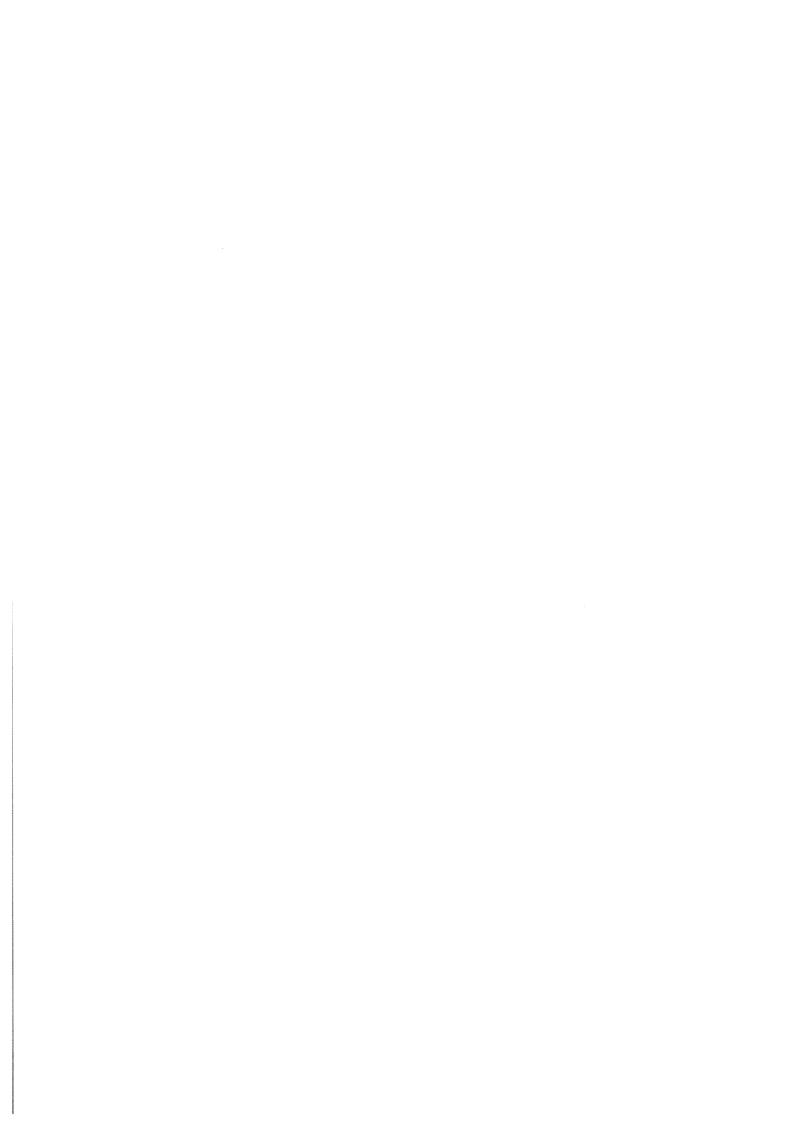
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ANNEX III

ESTIMATED BUDGET OF THE ACTION



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I. Expenditure

Requested budget Eligible budget

Staff costs	<i>82.941,00</i> EUR	<i>82.941,00</i> EUR	
Travel and subsistence	1.000,00 EUR	1.000,00 EUR	
Equipment and material	<i>0,00</i> EUR	<i>0,00</i> EUR	
Subcontracting, consultancy and other external services	<i>0,00</i> EUR	<i>0,00</i> EUR	
Conferences and seminars	<i>8.500,00</i> EUR	8.500,00 EUR	
Other direct costs	<i>0,00</i> EUR	<i>0,00</i> EUR	
Indirect costs	<i>6.750,00</i> EUR	<i>6.471,00</i> EUR	
Expenditure Grand total	99.191,00 EUR	98.912,00 EUR	

II. Revenue

UR 24.728,00 EUR
UR 24.728,00 EUR

Requested budget

Eligible budget

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ANNEX IV

MODEL TECHNICAL REPORT

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/beneficiaries-space/2014-eqf-ncp-euroguidanceand-europass en en

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MODEL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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ANNEX VI

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

For grants for an action <u>equal or inferior to EUR 60.000</u>, the beneficiary is required to submit the following sample of supporting documents:

Budget item/heading	Sample to be annexed to the Financial Statement	
Staff	The three highest consolidated staff costs (i.e. staff member costs) for the whole eligibility period	
Subcontracting	The three highest value subcontracts	
Travel and subsistence	25% of the highest costs declared under this budget item	

For grants for an action of <u>more than EUR 60.000</u>, but less than EUR 750.000, the beneficiary is required to submit, in support of the final payment, a "**Report of Factual Findings on the Final Financial Report - Type I**" produced by an approved auditor or in case of public bodies, by a competent and independent public officer.

The procedure and the format to be followed are detailed in the following "Guidance Notes":

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/about/documents/guidance-notes-audit-type-i_11.2012_en.pdf

The use of the report format set by the "Guidance Notes" is compulsory.

