

Template Letter of Commitment

Call for Expression of Interest for Associated Members - Ref. S3JU/LC/020-CEI

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[Name of the legal entity/candidate Associated Member], [legal status and country of registration], established in [address], represented for the purpose of signing this letter of intent by [name and function] (hereinafter “the Associated Member” or “candidate Member”);

Referring to Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe as last amended by Council Regulation (EU) 2023/1782 of 25 July 2023, as last amended by Council Regulation (EU) 2023/1782 of 25 July 2023 (the “Single Basic Act”, “SBA”) and in particular Articles 6.3, 142 and 144 of the SBA.

Hereby confirms its intention to the following:

1. Accession to SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking

The candidate Member hereby confirms its intention to:

- accede as a member other than the Union to the SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking as per Article 144 (1) of the SBA,
- comply with the provisions of the Single Basic Act, in particular Part I, II (Title VIII) and III of this regulation;
- adhere to the amended SESAR 3 JU membership agreement¹ and to comply with its terms and conditions.

2. Contribution of the Members other than the Union

The candidate Member acknowledges that as referred to in Article 146 (1) of the Single Basic Act, the private members of the SESAR 3 JU other than the Union and Eurocontrol jointly committed to make or arrange for their constituent or affiliated entities to make a total contribution of at least EUR 500 000 000, including up to EUR 25 000 000 for administrative costs.

In accordance with Article 28(2) of the SBA, the members other than the Union agreed in the SESAR 3 JU membership agreement on how to share their collective contribution among them in accordance with the applicable financial rules. To this end, Article 8 of the Membership Agreement contains a formula for the repartition among the SESAR 3 JU Members (founding and associated Members) of financial contributions to administrative costs of the JU.

While SESAR 3 JU shall provide financial support, mainly in the form of grants, to research and innovation indirect actions, selected following open, transparent and competitive calls², this letter of commitment details in Annexes 1 and 3 attached hereto the scope of the proposed membership in terms of content and activities over the DES programme duration, in particular regarding the

¹ [Agreement ref. S3JU/LC/002-CTR](#) developed in accordance with Art. 28(3) of the SBA, which governs the conditions and share of the collective contributions of the members to the SESAR 3 Joint Undertaking, as [last amended](#).

² in accordance with article 5(2)(a) of the SBA except in duly justified cases specified in the work programme in order to set additional conditions requiring the participation of members of the joint undertaking or their constituent or affiliated entities.

Associated Members' contributions to SESAR 3 JU³, including an indication of the envisaged additional activities in accordance with article 11(1) point (b) of the SBA, article 8 of the SESAR 3 JU membership agreement and GB decision ref. GB(D)08-2023. The candidate Member provides in Annex 1 an estimation of its individual in-kind contribution that may be brought to the SESAR 3 JU, subject to the level of its participation to the SESAR 3 JU projects.

The candidate Member acknowledges that in case of selection by the SESAR 3 JU, its membership will be subject to the signature of an adhesion form to the Membership Agreement governing the rights and obligations of the SESAR 3 JU members. The Membership Agreement details the terms and conditions of the members' collective contributions to SESAR 3 JU and repartitions in compliance with the SBA and the SESAR 3 JU Financial Rules.

SIGNATURE

For the Member

Signature:

[Name]

Done at ...

[Legal entity]

on ...

[Function CTO/DG/legal representative]

³ As per article 6(3) of the SBA.

A.1 ANNEX 1 – MEMBER’S IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION TO SESAR 3 JU⁴

Overview of the candidate Member's indicative overall in-kind contribution (IKC⁵) to the SESAR 3 JU:

Total IKC ⁶ (EUR)	Total IKOP ⁷ (EUR)	Total IKAA ⁸ (EUR)

as detailed in the Application Form attached hereto as Annex 2.

⁴ The main corporate entity and its affiliated entities may be listed. The estimate must take into account and include a breakdown of the contribution of the affiliated entities expected to contribute to the programme.

⁵ The types of in-kind contributions (IKC, IKOP and IKAA), are laid down by Article 2 (Definitions), Article 11 (Contributions from members other than the Union and contributing partners) and Article 147 (Scope of additional activities) of the SBA Regulation.

⁶ The candidate Member's indicative overall in-kind contribution to the SESAR 3 JU.

⁷ Pursuant to Article 2(8) of the SBA, in-kind contributions to operational activities' means contributions by private members, constituent entities or the affiliated entities of either, by international organisations and by contributing partners, consisting of the eligible costs incurred by them in implementing indirect actions less the contribution of that joint undertaking and of the participating states of that joint undertaking to those costs.

⁸ Pursuant to Article 2(10) of the SBA in-kind contributions to additional activities' means contributions by the private members, constituent entities or the affiliated entities of either, and by international organisations, consisting of the costs incurred by them in implementing additional activities less any contribution to those costs from the Union and from the participating states of that joint undertaking. The candidate Member's indicative overall in-kind contribution to additional activities to the Clean Aviation SESAR 3 JU. A high level description is needed at this stage while more information will be required in case of selection under the "Additional Activities Plan" that will be annexed to the SESAR 3 JU Bi-Annual Work Programme (BAWP) as approved by the Governing Board.

A.2 SELECTED APPLICATION FORM

A.3 OPTIONAL- ONLY [3. Additional commitments]

OPTION [ADDITIONAL COMMITMENT]

OPTION [Any additional commitment may be specified under this section]