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Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research EAER

State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation SERI The State Secretary

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Funding of Swiss Participants in the EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation 'Horizon Europe' and other Related Programmes and Initiatives in the Calls 2024

To whom this may concern

This is to state that based on Article 2 Paragraph b of the Federal Decree on the financing of Swiss participation in European Union activities in the field of research and innovation in the years 2021-2027 as well as on Article 10 of the Ordinance of 20 January 2021 on the measures for Switzerland's participation in European Union programmes in the field of research and innovation (FIPBV), funding for researchers and innovators based in Switzerland (including companies and SMEs) for their participation in eligible projects as associated partners from a non-associated third state will be provided by the Swiss Government for all 2024 calls of Horizon Europe and the Euratom programme.

Funding will be directly paid by the State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation SERI to the Swiss participant, in line with the relevant decisions of the Federal Council and the Swiss Parliament and under the conditions that (i) the full project application is assessed as eligible for funding by the European Commission or by the agency commissioned for this purpose and (ii) the Swiss participant cannot request funding by the EC.

The association of Switzerland to Horizon Europe and other related programmes and initiatives remains the goal of the Federal Council. In case of association, SERI will provide information on its <u>website</u> about changes concerning the eligibility and necessary adjustments to the proposals.

Please contact the EU Framework Programmes Section at SERI in case of any question.

Yours faithfully,

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