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F.a.o.: Ms Carne Botifoll

**Subject:** Letter Amendment No 2 to Framework Partnership Agreement Spain  
150205 CATCIM (FPA)

**Reference:** Your proposal submitted in the framework of the consultation 2011 - 2012

Dear Ms Carne Botifoll,

With reference to your above proposal submitted in the framework of the consultation 2011 - 2012, I hereby inform you that the Executive Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation (EACI) decides to modify Articles I.6 and I.11 of the above mentioned FPA.

Articles I.6.1 and I.6.2 of the FPA are amended as follows:

**'ARTICLE I.6 – PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS**

**I.6.1 Pre-financing:**

Within 45 calendar days of receipt of the request for pre-financing, a pre-financing payment for the amount specified in the specific grant agreements shall be made to the co-ordinator.

The request for pre-financing mentioned in the previous paragraph shall be accompanied by a financial guarantee of an equivalent amount as defined in ARTICLE II.16, paragraph 1 for the following partner:

**I.6.2 Interim payments: Not applicable'**

Article I.11 of the FPA is amended as follows:

**'ARTICLE I.11 – STANDARD NUMBER OF PRODUCTIVE HOURS**

I.11.1 The standard number of productive hours for a reporting period is fixed to 3232.56 corresponding to 422.00 productive days multiplied by 7.66 hours a day.

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The standard number of productive hours shall be valid for all partners' staff reporting hours in the context of the action.

I.11.2. The maximum number of hours which can be charged for a full time employed staff is limited to 3232.56 per reporting period and to 7.66 per day.

I.11.3. Specific cases: for staff who have not worked full time during a reporting period, either due to part-time working arrangements, maternity or sick leave, arrival or departure in the middle of the reporting period, or other reasons, the following general rule is applicable:

If the absence exceeds the equivalent of 17.58 working days and if the cost of the staff during the absence is not supported by the partner, either because it is supported by an external body such as social security, or because there is no cost (part-time, staff having arrived or left during the period) than the formula to calculate the standard productive hours is as follows:

Number of full months equivalent \* 17.58 \* 7.66 + number of working days worked in addition \* 7.66.

The maximum number of hours which can be charged, per reporting period, for a staff that has not work full time is limited the standard productive hours as calculated in the previous paragraph.

The maximum number of hours which can be charged, per day, for an employed staff working under part-time arrangements is limited to the following number: (same number as the one fixed in the previous paragraph) / 422.00.'

With the exception of the modifications introduced by the present letter, all other provisions of the FPA as modified by amendment No 1 remain in full force.

Your above mentioned proposal submitted in the framework of the consultation 2011 - 2012 and the present letter constitute amendment No 2 to the FPA and form an integral part of it. The present amendment takes effect as from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2011.

Please inform the co-partners of the action of the contents of this letter.



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