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Supporting letter: Confirmation on the use of Horizon Europe personnel cost calculation for subgrants selected under “Accelerating cities’ transition to net zero emissions by 2030” project

To whom it may concern,

Herewith we formally confirm that all partner projects selected to be funded under the Financial support to third parties (FSTP) cost category within the Grant Agreement number 101036519: *Accelerating cities’ transition to net zero emissions by 2030 (NetZeroCities)* are to be using Horizon Europe personnel cost category calculations.

The following considerations led to the above-mentioned decision:

- Horizon Europe personnel cost calculations considerably simplify the administrative procedures, consequently leading to a decrease of the workload for the granting authority and for the beneficiaries, and reduces the risk of errors.
- Personnel costs represent the largest share of the eligible costs in the majority of projects within the FSTP category under the NetZeroCities project. Therefore, simplifying the manner in which they are reimbursed can help to achieve the overall simplification objective.
- Given the wide range of activities, as well as the range of beneficiaries involved in implementing the projects, maximum simplification and harmonization can be achieved by introducing the requirement of a calendar year and a single daily rate, based on the actual annual personnel costs per each person divided by 215.

The use of eligible costs declared by recipients of the funds on the basis of Horizon Europe personnel cost calculation is authorised for all partner projects under the Grant Agreement number 101036519:





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Accelerating cities' transition to net zero emissions by 2030 (NetZeroCities) FSTP cost category where actual personnel costs are eligible, for the reasons and under the conditions set out in the project description.

Kindest regards,

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