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Proposal for a

COUNCIL DECISION

appointing members of the European Social Fund Committee

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This proposal concerns the renewal of the membership of the European Social Fund Committee (hereinafter “Committee”).

This Committee has been set up under Article 163 TFEU in order to assist the Commission in the administration of the European Social Fund (ESF).

Article 104 of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999¹ lays down the provisions relating to the organisation and the tasks of this Committee.

According to this provision, the Committee should be composed of one government representative, one representative of the workers' organisations and one representative of the employers' organisations from each Member State. For each Member State, an alternate should be appointed for each category of representative. The representatives and alternates are appointed by the Council, acting on a proposal from the Commission for a period of three years.

By Decision 2010/C 53/02 of 22 February 2010, the Council decided to appoint the members and alternate members of the Committee for the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2012.

In view of the nominations submitted by the Member States in accordance with Article 104(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, the Commission submits to the Council the present proposal for a Council Decision appointing members and alternate members of the European Social Fund Committee for the period from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013.

¹ OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 25.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 163 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006 laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999², and in particular Article 104(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Under Council Decision 2010/C 53/02 of 22 February 2010 appointing the membership of the European Social Fund Committee³ (hereinafter "Committee"), the term of office of the members and alternate members of this Committee expired on 31 December 2012.
- (2) In accordance with Article 104(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006, all Member States have to submit nominations for each category of representatives referred to in Article 104(1) of this Regulation and their alternates.
- (3) The representatives and the alternates nominated by the Member States have to be appointed for a period of one year,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The persons listed in the Annex are hereby appointed members and alternate members of the European Social Fund Committee for the period from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2013.

² OJ L 210, 31.7.2006, p. 25.

³ OJ C 52, 7.3.2007, p. 5.

Article 2

This Decision shall be published, for information, in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President