**DRAFT CONTRACT**

**SERVICE CONTRACT FOR EUROPEAN UNION EXTERNAL ACTIONS**

**No 2024/454-229-4**

**financed from the IPA III**

WESTERN BALKANS SIX CHAMBER INVESTMENT FORUM (WB6 CIF),

14, Piazza della Borsa,

34121 Trieste, Italy

(‘the contracting authority’),

of the one part,

and

<Full official name of the contractor>

[<Official registration number>][[1]](#footnote-1)

<Full official address>

[<VAT number>][[2]](#footnote-2),

(‘the contractor’)

of the other part,

have agreed as follows:

**PROJECT:** EU support to the WB6 CIF for the Development of a Common Regional Market,

2024/454-229

**CONTRACT TITLE: Upgraded support tool for integration of SMEs in European and global value chains**

**Identification number 2024/454-229-TD4**

(1) Subject

1.1 The subject of this contract is to upgrade support tool for integration of SMEs in European and global value chains, with identification number 2024/454-229-TD4 (‘the services’).

1.2 The contractor shall execute the tasks assigned to him in accordance with the terms of reference annexed to the contract (Annex II)

(2) Contract value

This contract, established in Euro, is a global price contract. The contract value is EUR <amount>.

(3) Order of precedence of contract documents

The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this contract, in the following order of precedence:

* the contract agreement;
* the special conditions
* the general conditions (Annex I);
* the terms of reference (Annex II)
* the organisation and methodology (Annex III);
* Budget (Annex V);
* Other relevant forms and documents (Annex VI);

**These above listed documents make up the contract. They shall be deemed to be mutually explanatory. In cases of ambiguity or divergence, they shall prevail in the order in which they appear above. Addenda shall have the order of precedence of the document they are amending.**

(4) Language of the contract

The language of the contract and of all written communications between the contractor and the contracting authority and/or the project manager shall be English.

(5) Other specific conditions applying to the contract

The following conditions to the contract shall apply:

For the purpose of Article 42 of the general conditions, for the part of the data transferred by the contracting authority to the European Commission:

(a) the controller for the processing of personal data carried out within the Commission is the head of contracts and finance unit R4 of DG Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations

(b) the data protection notice is available at <https://wikis.ec.europa.eu/display/ExactExternalWiki/Annexes#Annexes-AnnexesA(Ch.2):General>

Done in English in three originals: two originals for the contracting authority and one original for the contractor.

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| **For the contractor** | | **For the contracting authority** | |
| Name: |  | Name: Lulzim Rafuna |  |
| Title: |  | Title: President of the Managing Board |  |
| Signature: |  | Signature: |  |
| Date: |  | Date: |  |

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**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

These conditions amplify and supplement the general conditions governing the contract. Unless the special conditions provide otherwise, the general conditions remain fully applicable. The numbering of the articles of the special conditions is not consecutive but follows the numbering of the general conditions. Exceptionally, and with the approval of the competent European Commission departments, other clauses can be indicated to cover particular situations.

**Article 2 Communications**

2.1 For the Contracting Authority, the following contact details shall be used:

Name: Marija Askovic Matic

Address: 14, Piazza della Borsa, 34121 Trieste, Italy

Telephone: +39 0 40 670 1325; +39 333 428 3861; +381 66 875 1319

E-mail: [marija.askovic@wb6cif.eu](mailto:marija.askovic@wb6cif.eu)

For the Contractor, the following contact details shall be used:

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

E-mail:

2.2 An electronic system will be used by the contracting authority and the contractor for all stages of implementation including, inter alia, management of the contract (amendments and administrative orders), reporting (including reporting on results) and payments. The contractor will be required to register in and use the appropriate electronic exchange system to allow for the e-management of the contract. With regard to interim and final reports, if they are required according to Article 26 or to the terms of reference, the contractor will be expected to use the forms in the electronic system for encoding and submitting the reports.

The electronic management of the contract through the aforementioned system may commence on the date on which implementation of the contract starts, as described in Article 19 below, or at a later date. In the latter case, the contracting authority will inform the contractor in writing that he will be required to use the electronic system for all communications within a maximum period of 3 months.

**Article 7 General obligations**

7.8 The Contractor must comply with the latest Communication and Visibility Manual for EU External Actions concerning acknowledgement of EU financing of the project. (See <https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/communication-and-visibility-manual-eu-external-actions_en>

**Article 12 - Liabilities**

12.2 N/A

**Article 19 Implementation of the tasks and delays**

19.1The start date for implementation shall be date of signature of the contract by both parties

19.2 The period for implementing the tasks is until 31/10/2024.

**Article 26 Interim and final reports**

The contractor shall submit progress reports as specified in the terms of reference.

**Article 29 Payment and interest on late payment**

29.1 Payments will be made in accordance with the following the option:

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| **Month** |  | **EUR** |
| **Nov 2024** | **Upon completion of all tasks** | 100 % of the contract value |
|  | **Total** | <Total contract value> |

29.3 By derogation from Article 29.3 of the general conditions, once the deadline set in Article 29.1 has expired, the contractor will, upon demand, be entitled to late-payment interest at the rate and for the period mentioned in the general conditions submitted The demand must be submitted within two months of receiving late payment.

29.5 Payments will be made in Euro in accordance with Articles 20.6 and 29.4 of the general conditions into the bank account notified by the contractor to the contracting authority.

**Article 30 Financial guarantee**

30.1 By derogation from article 30 of the general conditions, no pre-financing guarantee is required.

**Article 40 Settlement of disputes**

40.4 Any disputes arising out of or relating to this contract which cannot be settled otherwise shall be referred to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Italian Republicapplying the national legislation of the contracting authority.

**Article 42 Data protection**

1. Processing of personal data related to the implementation of the contract by the contracting authority takes place in accordance with the national legislation of the state of the contracting authority and with the provisions of the respective financing agreement.

2. To the extent that the contract covers an action financed by the European Union, the Contracting Authority may share communications related to the implementation of the contract, with the European Commission. These exchanges shall be made to the Commission, solely for the purpose of allowing the latter to exercise its rights and obligations under the applicable legislative framework and under the financing agreement with the Partner country – contracting authority. The exchanges may involve transfers of personal data (such as names, contact details, signatures and CVs) of natural persons involved in the implementation of the contract (such as contractors, staff, experts, trainees, subcontractors, insurers, guarantors, auditors and legal counsel). In cases where the contractor is processing personal data in the context of the implementation of the contract, he/she shall accordingly inform the data subjects of the possible transmission of their data to the Commission. When personal data is transmitted to the Commission, the latter processes them in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC[[3]](#footnote-3) and as detailed in the specific privacy statement published at ePRAG.

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1. Where applicable. For individuals, mention their ID card, passport or equivalent document number. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Except where the contracting party is not VAT registered. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. OJ L 205 of 21.11.2018, p. 39. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)