The President

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DECISION No 1/2022

of 25 January 2022

on the annual adjustment of allowances payable to persons participating in the activities of
the European Committee of the Regions

THE BUREAU OF THE EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS,

HAVING REGARD TO
the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union\(^1\), and in particular Article 306 thereof,

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the Rules of Procedure of the European Committee of the Regions\(^3\), and in particular Rules 37(d) and 40(4), point b), thereof,

\(1\) \textit{OJ C 202}, 7.6.2016, p. 47.
HAVING REGARD TO the Regulations\(^4\) of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions establishing allowances payable to persons participating in the activities of the European Committee of the Regions,

HAVING REGARD TO Decision No 5/2021 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 2 February 2021 on flat-rate allowances for members and alternates of the European Committee of the Regions ("Decision No 5/2021"),

HAVING REGARD TO Decision No 7/2021 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 2 February 2021 on the internal financial rules for implementing the Committee of the Regions section of the general budget of the European Union ("the Internal Financial Rules" or "IFR").

HAVING REGARD TO Decision No 204/2018 of the Secretary-General of the European Committee of the Regions of 28 November 2018 on the implementing provisions for Regulations No 8/2017, No 9/2017 and No 2/2018 of the European Committee of the Regions, as amended\(^5\),

WHEREAS:

(i) The European Committee of the Regions ("the Committee") pays to persons participating in its activities, allowances aimed at offsetting the travel and subsistence expenses incurred by those persons in relation to their participation.

(ii) Pursuant to, Articles 3.2 and 7.1 of Regulation No 8/2017 respectively, the Bureau of the Committee should fix, on the one hand, the value of the metric unit used to calculate the kilometric allowance paid in case of travel by car and, on the other hand, the value of the reference unit used to calculate the travel allowance as well as the daily amount of the meeting allowance, which should both be adjusted for inflation at the beginning of each year.

\(^{4}\) Regulation No 12/2007 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 17 December 2007 on the financing of the travel and subsistence expenses of journalists invited to attend the activities of the Committee of the Regions.

Regulation No 8/2017 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 9 October 2017 on the reimbursement of travel expenses and the payment of flat-rate travel and meeting allowances for members and alternates of the European Committee of the Regions ("Regulation No 8/2017"), as amended by Regulation No 20/2020 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 9 October 2020 amending Regulation No 8/2017 of 9 October 2017 on the reimbursement of travel expenses and the payment of flat-rate travel and meeting allowances for members and alternates of the European Committee of the Regions and Regulation No 2/2018 on the reimbursement of transport expenses and the payment of flat-rate travel and meeting allowances for rapporteurs' experts and speakers who participate in the activities of the European Committee of the Regions.

Regulation No 9/2017 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 29 November 2017 on the reimbursement of travel expenses and payment of flat-rate subsistence allowances for third parties participating in the activities of the European Committee of the Regions.

Regulation No 2/2018 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 30 January 2018 on the reimbursement of transport expenses and the payment of flat-rate travel and meeting allowances for rapporteurs' experts and speakers who participate in the activities of the European Committee of the Regions, as amended by Regulation No 20/2020 of the Bureau of the European Committee of the Regions of 9 October 2020 amending Regulation No 8/2017 of 9 October 2017 on the reimbursement of travel expenses and the payment of flat-rate travel and meeting allowances for members and alternates of the European Committee of the Regions and Regulation No 2/2018 on the reimbursement of transport expenses and the payment of flat-rate travel and meeting allowances for rapporteurs' experts and speakers who participate in the activities of the European Committee of the Regions.

(3) The value of the harmonised index of consumer prices for the European Union ("HICP EU-27"), as published by Eurostat, was 111.59 in December 2021, an increase of five point three percent (5.3%) from December 2020 (105.97).

(4) Decision No 5/2021 should thus be repealed.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1
Kilometric allowance

The value of the metric unit used to calculate the kilometric allowance shall be as follows:

− Thirty cents per kilometre (0.30 EUR/km)

Article 2
Travel allowance

The value of the reference unit used to calculate the travel allowance shall be as follows:

− One hundred and eighty-five euros per reference unit (185 EUR/unit)

Article 3
Meeting allowance

The daily amount of the meeting allowance shall be as follows:

− Three hundred and forty euros (340 EUR)

Article 4
Final provisions

1. Decision No 5/2021 is hereby repealed. References to the repealed Decision in acts and other documents of the Committee shall be construed as references to this Decision.

2. This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.


For the Bureau

Signed
Apostolos Tzitzikostas