## DECISION No. 1373/2022 of November 9, 2022

amending and supplementing <u>Government Decision no. 332/2014</u> on the establishment of a State aid scheme to support investments that promote regional development through job creation

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Pursuant to <u>Article 108</u> of the Constitution of Romania, republished, The Government of Romania adopts this Decision.

## ART. I

Government Decision no. 332/2014 on the establishment of a State aid scheme to support investments that promote regional development through job creation, published in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I, no. 336 of May 8, 2014, as subsequently amended and supplemented, is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

- 1. Article 6 paragraph (4) is repealed.
- 2. In Article 9, paragraph (1<sup>1</sup>) is amended and shall read as follows:
- "(1^1) The gross value of State aid that an undertaking may benefit from under the scheme, in the period 2022 2023, in relation to eligible expenditure, shall be determined by the regional maps approved by the European Commission for this period and shall be set out in Annex no. 3 to Government Decision no. 807/2014 on the establishment of State aid schemes aimed at stimulating investments with a major impact on the economy, as subsequently amended and supplemented."
- 3. In Annex no. 2, article 1, item v) is amended and shall read as follows:
- "v) the average of the 12 months preceding the month in which the application for funding agreement is registered the average number of employees during the last 12 months preceding the date of registration of the application for funding agreement, based on the actual number of employees declared each month in the Statement on the obligations to pay social contributions, income tax and the nominal register of insured persons (Statement 112);".
- 4. In Annex no. 2, Article 18, paragraph (1<sup>1</sup>) is amended and shall read as follows:
- "(1^1) if a job has not been held for a period of 12 consecutive months, the job shall be deemed not to have been maintained.".
- 5. In Annex no. 2, Article 18, after paragraph  $(1^1)$  two new paragraphs are inserted,  $(1^2)$  and  $(1^3)$  to be read as follows:
- " $(1^2)$  The obligation to maintain newly created jobs shall be deemed to have been fulfilled if both the jobs created under Article 1(e) and the average of the 12 months preceding the month in which the application for funding agreement as defined in <u>Article 1</u> item (v) is registered are maintained.
- (1<sup>3</sup>) The loss of jobs during the period January 2020 to June 30, 2021 shall not be considered a breach of the job maintenance obligation."
- 6. <u>In Annex no. 2</u>, <u>Article 20</u> paragraph (4), a new <u>item (c^1)</u> is inserted after item (c), to be read as follows:
- "c^1) the undertaking does not fulfil the obligations laid down in <u>Article 18</u> paragraphs (1) (1^2)."
- 7. In Annex no. 2, Article 20, paragraph (4<sup>3</sup>) is repealed.

## ART. II

The provisions of this Decision shall also apply to financing agreements issued up to the date of entry into force of this Decision, with the exception of the provision from <u>Article 1</u> item (2).

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