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**HIGH COUNCIL DECISION No. XX/2020**

of XXXXXXX

amending the Convention setting up a European University Institute

following accession by the Slovak Republic

THE HIGH COUNCIL,

Having regard to the Convention setting up a European University Institute, as amended by the High Council Decisions of 20 March 1975, 21 November 1986, 4 June 1987, 3 December 1987, 7 December 1987, 19 June 1997, 11 December 1997, 9 December 2004, 9 and 10 June 2005, 9 December 2005, 8 June 2012, 20 March 2014,2 June 2016 and 8 June 2018 hereinafter called the “Convention”, and in particular Article 32 (2) thereof;

Whereas, in accordance with Article 32 (1) of the Convention, the Slovak Republic has deposited its instrument of accession with the Government of the Italian Republic;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 32 (2) of the Convention, accession shall take effect on the date on which the High Council determines the adaptations which will need to be made to the Convention;

Whereas it is therefore appropriate to make the necessary adaptations;

Whereas accession to the Convention is coupled with the obligation of the acceding State to accept the provisions of the amending Convention of 18 June and 17 September 1992;

Acting in accord with the representative of the Slovak Republic;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

# Article 1

The Convention shall be modified as follows:

1. Article 6 (7) shall be replaced by the following:   
     
    “7. Where decisions require a qualified majority, votes shall be weighted as follows:

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| Belgium | 5 |
| Bulgaria | 4 |
| Denmark | 3 |
| Germany | 10 |
| Estonia | 3 |
| Ireland | 3 |
| Greece | 5 |
| Spain | 8 |
| France | 10 |
| Italy | 10 |
| Cyprus | 2 |
| Latvia | 3 |
| Malta | 2 |
| Luxembourg | 2 |
| Netherlands | 5 |
| Austria | 4 |
| Poland | 8 |
| Portugal | 5 |
| Romania | 6 |
| Slovenia | 3 |
| Slovakia  Finland | 3  3 |
| Sweden | 4 |
| United Kingdom | 10 |

For their adoption, decisions shall require a minimum of 85 votes in favour and the approval of at least 16 Governments;

1. Article 19 (1) shall be replaced by the following:   
    “1. The financial contributions of the Contracting States to cover the expenditure provided for in the Institute’s budget shall be determined on the following scale, in accordance with High Council Decision No. 3/04 of 10 June 2004:

To be revised at the moment of the accession

Belgium 4,90

Bulgaria 0,31

Denmark 2,00  
Germany 17,16  
Estonia 0,07  
 Ireland 0,50  
 Latvia 0,17  
 Greece 1,45  
 Spain 6,13  
 France 17,16  
 Italy 17,16  
Cyprus 0,12  
 Luxembourg 0,16

Malta 0,06  
 Netherlands 4,90  
 Austria 2,60  
 Poland 2,10  
 Portugal 0,74

Romania 1,07

Slovenia 0,23

Slovakia 0,57  
Finland 1,17

Sweden 2,68  
 United Kingdom 17,16

1. Article 27 (1) shall be replaced by the following:

“1. The official languages of the Institute shall be Bulgarian, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Italian, Latvian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovenian, Slovakian, Spanish and Swedish.”

1. The following subparagraph shall be added to Article 38:

“The Slovak text of this Convention, as it appears in the Annex to the High Council Decision amending the Convention setting up a European University Institute following accession by the Slovak Republic, shall be authentic in the same way as the texts mentioned in the foregoing subparagraphs, and the Government of the Italian Republic shall transmit a certified copy thereof to the Government of each of the other Contracting States.”

# Article 2

The accession of the Slovak Republic to the Convention shall take effect as from the date of this Decision. The new Contracting State will start contributing to the Institute budget as of the 2020 financial year.

# Article 3

The accession of Slovakia implies acceptance of the amendments made to the Convention by the Amending Convention of Florence of 18 June and 17 September 1992 in accordance with its Article 13.

# Article 4

The President of the High Council shall notify this Decision to the Government of each of the Contracting States.

Done at Florence, xxxxx

For the High Council

The President

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