



The PALOP-TL¹ - European Union

Multiannual Indicative Programme

for the period 2014-2020

 $^{^{1}}$ Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, São Tomé and Príncipe, Timor-Leste.

GENERAL CLAUSES

The Governments of the PALOP-TL countries group² and the European Union hereby agree as follows:

(1) The Governments of the PALOP-TL countries (represented by *Ms Nyeleti Brooke Mondlane, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Republic of Mozambique*, acting as single Authorising Officer for the PALOP-TL Programme) and the European Commission, (represented by *Mr Fernando Frutuoso de Melo, Director-General for International Cooperation and Development*), hereinafter referred to as the Parties, determined the general orientations for cooperation for the period 2014-2020.

These orientations, included in the Multiannual Indicative Programme, concern the European Union aid in favour of PALOP-TL countries. They were drawn up in accordance with the provisions of Articles 2 and 4 of Annex IV to the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement, signed in Cotonou on 23 June 2000, revised and signed in Luxemburg on 25 June 2005 and revised and signed in Ouagadougou on 22 June 2010.

The Multiannual Indicative Programme is annexed to the present document.

- As regards the indicative programmable financial resources which the European Union envisages to make available to PALOP-TL countries for the period 2014-2020, an amount of EUR 30 million is foreseen for the allocation referred to in Article 3.2 (a) of Annex IV of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement (A-allocation). A B-allocation referred to in Article 3.2 (b) can be established to cover unforeseen needs. Currently, no B-allocation is foreseen. These allocations are not entitlements and may be revised by the Commission, following the mid-term and end-of-term reviews, in accordance with Article 5.7 of annex IV of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement.
- (3) The A-allocation is destined to cover macroeconomic support, sectoral policies, programmes and projects. The Multiannual Indicative Programme concerns the resources of the A-allocation. It also takes into consideration financing from which the PALOP-TL countries benefit or could benefit under other European Union resources. It does not pre-empt financing decisions by the Commission.
- (4) The B-allocation is destined to cover unforeseen needs such as humanitarian, emergency and post emergency assistance, where such support cannot be financed from the EU budget, contributions to internationally agreed debt relief initiatives and support to mitigate exogenous shocks. The B-allocation shall be established according to specific mechanisms and procedures and does therefore not constitute a part of the programming.
- (5) Pending the entry into force of the Internal Agreement between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union, meeting with the Council on the financing of European Union Aid under the multiannual financial framework for the period 2014 to 2020, financing decisions for projects and programmes can be taken by the Commission at the request of the PALOP-TL countries³ within the limits of the A-

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³ The single Authorising Officer for the PALOP-TL Programme is the Mozambique National Authorizing Officer

and B-allocations referred to in this document under the condition that sufficient financial resources are available in the transitional measures ("Bridging Facility") composed of uncommitted balances from the previous EDFs and from funds de-committed from projects or programmes under those EDFs. The respective projects and programmes shall be implemented according to the rules and procedures of the 10th EDF until the entry into force of the 11th EDF implementing rules and financial regulation.

- (6) The European Investment Bank may contribute to the implementation of the present Multiannual Indicative Programme by operations financed from the Investment Facility and/or from its own resources, in accordance with Articles 2c and 3 of the 11th EDF multi-annual financial framework for the period 2014-2020.
- (7) In accordance with Article 5 of Annex IV to the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement, the Multiannual Indicative Programme as well as the A-and B-allocations can be revised following the mid-term review and the end-of-term review or ad hoc reviews.

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