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Entities and individuals from the Russian Federation that received EU funding prior to the adoption of the Russian sanction package were provided with EU funds because they were complying with the eligibility conditions and selection criteria at the time of the award process of EU funding.

The attached annex includes details on EU funding awarded to sanctioned Russian entities. These contracts/grant agreements were signed before the sanctions were implemented. This information is extracted from Commission's Financial Transparency System (FTS) letters (b) and (c)¹ which makes publicly available information on recipients of funds. Those identified in the attached table are beneficiaries of the EU research and innovation programme.

To be noted however that, in accordance with Article 38(3), letters (b) and (c) of the Financial Regulation², data on recipients is not disclosed for contracts below EUR 15 000 and where disclosure risks threatening the rights and freedoms of the persons or entities or harming the commercial interests of the recipients.

The participation of the sanctioned Russian entities in ongoing Horizon 2020 projects were terminated following the termination procedure foreseen in the grant agreement.

¹ The FTS (<https://ec.europa.eu/budget/financial-transparency-system/index.html>) makes available information on recipients of funds (final recipient for funds directly managed by the Commission and as of financial year 2020 intermediate beneficiaries for funds implemented indirectly by EU partners e.g. international organisations or non-EU countries).

² Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 PE/13/2018/REV/1 OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1;
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex%3A32018R1046>