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| **`STATE AID DECLARATION (*De Minimis*)**  *Sources, distribution & impact of microplastics in the marine environment* |

If the submitted application is approved, the project will benefit from *de minimis* State Aid in line with *Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 of 18 December 2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid*.

*Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013* allows a ‘single undertaking’ to receive an aggregate maximum amount of *de minimis* aid of €200,000 under all *de minimis* aid measures, over a period of three ‘fiscal years’. This aggregate maximum threshold applies in principle to all economic sectors with the exception of a ‘single undertaking’ performing road freight transport for hire and reward for which a lower *de minimis* threshold of €100,000 over any period of three ‘fiscal years’ applies. The agriculture and fisheries sectors are subject to different thresholds and criteria. For the purpose of this declaration, the term ‘single undertaking’ shall have the meaning as established in *Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013*. Moreover, ‘fiscal year’ means the fiscal year as used for tax purposes by the undertaking concerned.

This maximum threshold would include all State aid granted under this scheme and any other State aid measure granted under the *de minimis* rule[[1]](#footnote-1). Any *de minimis* aid received in excess of the established threshold will have to be recovered, with interest, from the undertaking receiving the aid.

The following is an indicative list of the possible forms of State Aid:

* Grants from public bodies
* Loans or loan guarantees at favourable rates
* Tax benefits
* Waiving or deferral of fees or interest normally due
* Marketing and advertising assistance
* Consultancy, training and other support provided either free or at a reduced rate
* Aid for investment in environmental projects or research and development assistance
* Purchase, rent or lease of immovable property at less than market rate.

Potentially any assistance from a public body may constitute State aid. Should you have any doubts whether any public assistance received is *de minimis* aid, you should contact the agency or department from which the assistance was received in order to ascertain this.

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| **DECLARATION** |

I declare that a comprehensive amount of *de minimis* aid received to date during the current fiscal year and the previous two fiscal years is:

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| **Fiscal Year 2016** | **Fiscal Year 2017** | **Fiscal Year 2018** | **TOTAL** |
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A breakdown of the source, type and amount of all *de minimis* aid received as well as that applied from any State aid grantor, is presented overleaf.

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**Detailed information concerning applicable State aid under the *de minimis* rule for fiscal year 2016, 2017, 2018**

**SECTION 1 – DE MINIMIS STATE AID AWARDED**

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| Date | Source/Grantor | **Type of State Aid**  **(Name of Measure)** | **Awarded to** | Amount in € |  |
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**SECTION 2 – DE MINIMIS STATE AID STILL PENDING FOR APPROVAL**

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**SECTION 3 – DE MINIMIS STATE AID REQUESTED IN THIS APPLICATION**

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| Date | Source/Grantor | **Type of State Aid**  **(Name of Measure)** | Amount in € |  |
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| **TOTAL of Sections 1,2 and 3 above** (A1 + A2 + A3)**:** | **€** |  |

1. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)