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Subject: Grant Agreement n° 606740 - GENIUS

Contact: Stefano D'ORILIA, Tel.: +32 229 54660,
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Dear Mr Gutiérrez,

Please find enclosed the above grant agreement duly signed by the Research Executive Agency (REA). The grant agreement entered into force on the day of the signature by REA and the project starts according to Article 3 of the grant agreement.

You are requested to distribute a copy to each beneficiary.

If not already done, please make sure that one of the three signed originals of the accession Form A is sent to the REA at the latest 45 calendar days after entry into force of the grant agreement. Should any beneficiary fail or refuse to accede to the grant agreement within the previous deadline, the REA is no longer bound by its offer to the said beneficiary(ies) in conformity with Article 1.3 of the grant agreement. The beneficiaries' Form A, duly signed by the beneficiaries' authorised legal representative identified in the grant agreement¹ and countersigned by the authorised legal representative of your organisation, should be sent without delay to the REA at the following address:

Research Executive Agency (REA)
Unit S2 – Space Research
Single Entry Point
COV2 17/143
B-1049 Brussels
Belgium

¹ If the authorised legal representative indicated in the grant agreement is not the person having signed it, please indicate in the accompanying letter the reason for this and confirm the legal authorisation of the person having signed.

Within 30 days following the entry into force of the grant agreement you should receive the pre-financing for the consortium foreseen under the terms of the grant agreement. It should be distributed in accordance with the terms of the grant agreement and any relevant provisions of the consortium agreement.

Please also note that the distribution of the funds of the European Union (the Union) is subject to the provisions set out in Article II.6 (payment modalities) and Article 7 (special clauses) of the grant agreement.

According to Article II.4.5 (reports and deliverables) the consortium shall submit the reports and other deliverables to the REA using the electronic exchange system set up by the Commission.

All information concerning the electronic submission and instructions on the procedure can be found at:

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/ShowDoc/Participant+Portal/portal_content/docs/submission/quick_info_e_only_submission_of_forms_c.pdf

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I take this opportunity to remind you that the total costs identified in Annex I to the grant agreement that are the basis for the estimation of the maximum financial contribution of the Union, are an estimate for the expected eligible costs to be incurred by the beneficiaries under the project. **The financial contribution of the Union, however, will be reimbursed on the basis of actual eligible costs incurred and in accordance with the provisions of Articles II.15 and II.16 of the grant agreement².**

I draw your attention to the requirement to have concluded a consortium agreement as referred in Article 1.4 of the grant agreement.

Please give due consideration to the note attached which explains how to avoid common errors identified in cost claims of running projects.

More information regarding FP7 can be found at:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal>

Yours sincerely,

signed by
Christine BERNOT

Enclosures Original signed grant agreement
 Note: "How to avoid errors in cost claims"

² Option for grants with ICPC lump-sums: Beneficiaries that according to Article 5.2 have identified budget to be reimbursed as lump-sums, will be reimbursed on the basis of actual researchers/years employed for the project.