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## CYPRUS DE MINIMIS REGISTER SYSTEM

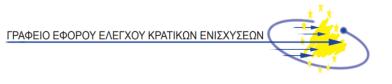


1st Advisory Committee meeting on a revision of the General De Minimis Regulation (1407/2013)

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#### Agenda

- ☐ System Roadmap
- **□**System Current Implementation
  - ✓ Registries
  - **✓**GO Live
- □ Challenges Faced
  - **□**Users
  - Beneficiaries
- □ Reporting / Benefits
- ☐ Today's Data





## DE MINIMIS SYSTEM ROAD MAP



#### **2018 - 2020**

- ✓ Specifications
- ✓ Procurement & Binding Process

#### **2020-2021**

✓ Software Company implemented a Web-Based De-Minimis System

#### □September 2021 – December 2021

- ✓ Organize a Presentation for the Executives of all Cypriot Competent Authorities
  - ✓ To officially inform them about the development of the New System
  - ✓ Mandatory by Cyprus Law
- ✓ Trained the Users of every Competent Authority based on their current situation (≈20 trainings)

#### □January 2022 – Today

- ✓ Go Live All De Minimis Grands are entered in the System
- ✓ Further Trainings of Competent Authority Users (≈15 trainings)
- ✓ Train the trainers (Internal trainings in the Competent authorities)



#### DE MINIMIS REGISTRIES



| Registry                                  | Commission Regulation | Ceiling per<br>Undertaking | National Ceiling   |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Agriculture Sector                        | 1408/2013             | €20,000                    | √<br>CY=€8,934,792 |
| Fishery and Aquaculture Sector            | 717/2014              | €30,000                    | √<br>CY=€1,090,000 |
| Road Freight Transport Sector             | 1407/2013             | €100,000                   |                    |
| General                                   | 1407/2013             | €200,000                   | -                  |
| Services for General Economic<br>Interest | 360/2012              | €500,000                   | -                  |

#### A Certificate of Aid Grant is issued by the De Minimis System

Given to Beneficiaries to confirm that they will get the Aid Grant

#### **Data on Certificate**

- ✓ Beneficiary Credentials
- ✓ Competition Regulation Number
- ✓ Grant Amount
- ✓ Program and Date Grant is awarded



### System Go Live & Parallel Processing



#### 01/01/2022 – Go Live De-Minimis Registry System

#### Three fiscal years period: 2020-2022

- 2020, 2021: Written Declarations
- 2022: Record De minimis in the System

#### Three fiscal years period: 2021-2023

- 2021: Written Declarations
- 2022, 2023: Record De minimis in the System

#### Three fiscal years period: 2022-2024 and AFTER

• 2022, 2023, 2024: Record De minimis in the System



### CHALLENGES FACED



#### **Competent Authorities System Users**

- □ Resistance to Change
  - ✓ Change of Processes

- ☐ How to correctly define the Undertakings based on De Minimis Commission Regulation (1407/2013 Article 2.2)
  - ✓ Difficult identification process



### CHALLENGES FACED



#### **Beneficiaries**

- ☐ Beneficiaries are forced to report real data across the competent authorities
- ☐ Data Collected from Beneficiaries are crossed references with Cyprus Central Registry
  - Physical Persons: Identification Number
    - ✓ Correct/Real ID
    - ✓ Person is alive
  - Companies: Company Registration Number
    - ✓ Correct/Real Company Number
    - ✓ Active Company



#### REPORTING

### At any given moment we can find out the TOTALS BY

- **□**Nation
- □ Competent Authority
- □ Registry
- □ Program
- □ Beneficiary
- □ Undertaking
- ☐ Given period: Based at the moment the beneficiary was granted the legal right to receive the aid





#### **DATA**



#### **TOTALS 01/01/2022 - TODAY**

- Nation = €106,680,264.46
- ☐ 15 Different Competent Authorities are entering data
- ☐ 62 Different Programs from the 15 Competent Authorities
- □ 3 Registries
  - ☐ Agriculture = **€613**,**713.39**
  - ☐ General = €99,828,666.07
  - ☐ SGEI = **€6,237,885.00**
- □ 5055 Beneficiaries
- □ 4893 Undertakings
- □ 9725 Aids Granted





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