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Order of the Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation of 4 February 2021, No. MINBUZA-2021.6475.25, establishing grant ceilings under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Grant Scheme 2006 (2018–2022 Orange Knowledge Programme grant ceilings, first and second quarter 2021)

The Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation,

In light of Articles 6, 7 and 10 of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Grants Decree; and

In light of Articles 6.4 and 6.5 of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Grant Scheme 2006;

Hereby decrees:

Article 1

1. A grant ceiling of €19,050,000 shall apply for the awarding of grants in connection with the 2018–2022 Orange Knowledge Programme (OKP) for the period starting from when this decree is adopted until 30 June 2021. This ceiling shall apply for the provision of grants for activities aimed at providing scholarships and training courses and organising institutional cooperation projects. This amount shall be distributed among the various types of grants as follows:
 - a. Grants for activities aimed at providing scholarships for the following types of programmes:
 1. Short Courses: €4,100,000, which amount is allocated to 2 calls as follows:
 1. 1 call of €3,100,000, of which (i) €375,000 is available for activities aimed at giving Short Courses to candidates living and working in Jordan, Lebanon, Egypt, the Palestinian Territories, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Mali, Nigeria or Niger; and (ii) €250,000 is available for activities aimed at giving Short Courses to candidates living and working in Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan, to the extent that there are sufficient relevant applications that meet the standards laid down in the policy rules for the 2018–2022 OKP;
 2. 1 call of €1,000,000, of which (i) €150,000 is available for activities aimed at giving Short Courses to candidates living and working in Jordan, Lebanon, Egypt, the Palestinian Territories, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Mali, Nigeria or Niger; and (ii) €80,000 is

available for activities aimed at giving Short Courses to candidates living and working in Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan, to the extent that there are sufficient relevant applications that meet the standards laid down in the policy rules for the 2018–2022 OKP.

For both calls, when distributing the available funds, with the exception of the funds referred to under (ii), the first applications to be eligible for a grant are those aimed at providing scholarships for programmes aimed at the theme of Sexual and reproductive health and rights and/or Security and the rule of law, provided that they meet the standards laid down in the policy rules for the 2018–2022 OKP. If any resources remain from the funds available for applications submitted in the first call that are aimed at the countries referred to under (i) and (ii) respectively, these resources will become available for applications submitted in the second call that are aimed at the countries referred to under (i) and (ii) respectively.

2. Master's programmes: €8,800,000, of which (i) €3,340,000 is available for activities aimed at offering Master's programmes that commence after 1 September 2021; (ii) €800,000 is available for activities aimed at offering Master's programmes to candidates living and working in Jordan, Lebanon, Egypt, the Palestinian Territories, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Mali, Nigeria or Niger; and (iii) €560,000 is available for activities aimed at offering Master's programmes to candidates living and working in Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan, to the extent that there are sufficient relevant applications that meet the standards laid down in the policy rules for the 2018–2022 OKP.

When distributing the available funds, with the exception of the funds referred to under (iii), the first applications eligible for a grant are those aimed at providing scholarships for Master's programmes aimed at the theme of Sexual and reproductive health and rights and/or Security and the rule of law, provided that they meet the standards laid down in the policy rules for the 2018–2022 OKP. If resources remain from the funds available for activities referred to under (i), such resources will be made available on a pro rata basis for activities aimed at providing scholarships for Short Courses and for activities aimed at providing training courses.

- b. Grants for activities aimed at providing the following types of training courses:
 1. Refresher courses: €750,000;
 2. Tailor-made training courses: €1,750,000;
 3. Tailor-made Plus training courses: €3,600,000, which amount is allocated to 3 calls as follows:
 1. 1 call of €150,000;
 2. 1 call of €1,100,000;
 3. 1 call of €2,350,000.
- c. Grants for activities aimed at organising institutional cooperation projects: €0

2. For the awarding of grants under the 2018–2022 OKP, the following amount shall apply for the period starting from when this decree is adopted until 31 December 2021 for the provision of grants for alumni activities: €50,000.

Article 2

Additional policy rules shall be announced on www.nuffic.nl for the calls referred to in Article 1(1)(a, b).

Article 3

This order shall take effect on the day after the publication date of the Government Gazette in which notification of this order is made and will expire on 1 January 2022.

Notification of this order shall be published in the Government Gazette.

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on whose behalf,
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