

Annex I to the Call for Expression of Interest to select Fund-of-Funds Promoter(s) under the
Pan-European VC Fund-of-Funds Programme



To:

European Investment Fund
Pan-European VC Fund-of-Funds Programme
Institutional Business Development

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

For the Pan-European VC Fund-of-Funds Programme

Applicant submitting the Expression of Interest:

_____, _____
(company name,
registration number)

Dear Sir or Madam,

Herewith we are submitting our Expression of Interest on behalf of [*the fund*], (the “Fund-of-Funds”) in response to the Call for Expression of Interest in the framework of the Pan-European VC Fund-of-Funds Programme implemented by the EIF. Capitalised expressions utilised herein shall have the meaning attributed to them in the above mentioned Call for Expression of Interest.

The undersigned duly authorised to represent the Fund-of-Funds, by signing this declaration certifies and declares that the information contained in this Expression of Interest and its appendices is complete and correct in all its elements.

The undersigned duly authorized to represent the Fund-of-Funds, by signing this form certifies and declares to have read the EIF Anti-Fraud Policy and declares not to have made nor to make any offer of any type whatsoever from which an advantage can be derived under the fund agreement and not to have granted nor to grant, not to have sought nor to seek, not to have attempted nor to attempt to obtain, and not to have accepted nor to accept, any advantage, financial or in kind, to or from any party whatsoever, constituting an illegal practice or involving corruption, either directly or indirectly, as an incentive or reward relating to signing of the fund agreement.

Furthermore, the undersigned represents that, as at the date of this declaration:

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(1) the Fund-of-Funds including the manager of the Fund-of-Funds is not in any of the situations below:

- a. it is bankrupt or being wound up, is having its affairs administered by the courts, in this context, is the subject of proceedings concerning those matters, or is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations or has suspended business activities;
- b. it is guilty of misrepresentation in supplying information required for selection as a Financial Intermediary; or fail to supply this information;
- c. it is, to its knowledge, listed in the central exclusion database established under Commission Regulation 1302/2008 of 17 December 2008;

The undersigned represents that the Fund-of-Funds including the manager of the Fund-of-Funds has not been in one of the following situations during the last five (5) years from the date of signature of this form:

- d. it has entered into an arrangement with creditors in the context of being bankrupt or being wound up, having its affairs administered by the courts;
- e. it or persons having powers of representation, decision-making or control over it, have been convicted:
 - (i) of an offence concerning their professional conduct, or
 - (ii) for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organisation, money laundering or any other illegal activity, where such illegal activity is detrimental to the Union's financial interests

by a judgment which has the force of *res judicata*, which would affect their ability to implement the Programme Investment; alternatively, where such judgments exist the undersigned declares that the Applicant can demonstrate that adequate measures have been adopted against the persons having powers of representation, decision making or control over it, who are subject to these judgments;

- (2) the Fund-of-Funds including the manager of the Fund-of-Funds does not perform activities which are illegal according to the applicable legislation in the country of the Applicant;
- (3) the Fund-of-Funds including the manager of the Fund-of-Funds does not perform activities referred to in Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council establishing Horizon 2020 - the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC dated 11 December 2013.

Yours sincerely,

Signature(s):

Name and position in capitals:

Applicant's name

Place:

Stamp of the Applicant (if applicable):

Date (day/month/year):