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Oggetto: R: ACTION STATUS REPORT 2023 . IT comments
Dear ,
thanking for the clarifications provided, as agreed in our today call, we kindly ask you to receive the new version of the report and the annexes
including them together with further additional elements, by tomorrow.
In particular,if the reduced costs are not "compensated" with the "extension of the scope" of other activities, intended in any case included in the full perimeter of the GA and as a natural evolution of a long lasting complex project, we strongly risk to loose eligible costs in the period (around 31 mln € mainly related to activities 8-9-14-23-33) and consequently the related grant. In fact the increase of the cost as for activity 4 won't be sufficient to keep the whole entire EU contribution.
Of course we fully agree to not give publicity to information that are not fully verified and accurately confirmed by you.
We would like to remind what said:
"A list of activities were presented that were either not within the scope or that would not end within the scope of the GA. TELT and the Ministries would therefore appreciate to quickly have a discussion with MOVE and CINEA on these matters that could be addressed either by looking critically were progress is beyond the expected to compensate for other activities progressing less and thus could absorb, or were there are other
activities that have progressed well and could substitute for others, still of course all of them within the scope of the GA."
As stated by in the point 3 we can explain the willingness to "extend the scope of others (activities) in light of an update of the detailed sequencing of some tasks".
1. if an activity will not be fully completed as described in the latest GA in force (for example, some tasks can't be done anymore, are not anymore necessary or are postponed to an unknown date, far away in the future), then the actual end date should be the date by which the activity will be completed in a reduced scope (taking out these tasks).
2. If a milestone will not be reached (because it is not relevant anymore or because it will be completed far away in the future), it is important to explain this in the explanatory text of the field "note". You may also consider to attach an annex to the ASR with a clear indication of the
milestones (and activities or part thereof) that are intended to be excluded from the scope of the Grant Agreement. 2. The cost table should be filled in in relation to the scope of the existing Grant Agreement and should not include costs related to tasks that
3. The cost table should be filled in in relation to the scope of the existing Grant Agreement and should not include costs related to tasks that would only become available with the entry force of a potential amended GA. It is however possible to introduce costs in years after the end date and to add an annex explaining that you plan to reduce the scope of some activities and extend the scope of others in light of an update of the detailed sequencing of some tasks.
For what concern the position of CINEA, unfortunately we cannot state that there is an agreement on the future amendment because it is depending on the modifications introduced and their justification; it is therefore important to receive their positive position on the ASR report based on the key principles suggested.
Best regards
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Dear ,

Replies and observation on Annex 2.4 comments:

Most comments of the annex 2.4 report this observation:

"The milestones XXX cannot be achieved within the timeframe of the action. Therefore it is intended excluded from the scope of the GA (Technical % XX) but it has to clarified that the reduced costs as of XX,X mln euro should be compensated with the extension of the scope of another activity."

This comments concern:

- •Activity 8 for 1.8M€
- •Activity 14 for 5.5M€
- •Activity 19 for 0.6M€
- •Activity 23 for 19.3M€
- •Activity 33 for 4.7M€

for a total of around 32M€.

Please note that the reduces cost it is not compensate by the extension of the **scope** of another activity but by the increase of the **cost** of another activity (namely activity 4 for an amount of 83.5M€).

I personally do not suggest to indicate in the ASR this "compensation" in the light of the publicity that this ASR will most likely have. In my opinion we should indicate as least as possible also considering that the discussions with CINEA executives are so deep that they do know in detail as the project is evolving and have given an on principle agreement to our amendment 3 proposal.

As far as activity 21 remark, comment in the Annex 2.4 will be revised as follows:

The tender phase for the awarding of the contracts for the Base Tunnel works is expected to end.

signature of the Contract

: handover of areas to the contractor

From May start of the 1St phase of the Executive design work.

As far as activity 15 remark, please note that the perimeters of the milestone and the task of activity 15 in the red & yellow table are not the same. In fact:

milestone is: End of excavation of shafts

last task for activity 15 is: Construction of the four ventilation shafts and layers of different material covering the inside surface of three shafts

The word "excavation" quoted in the milestone indicates just the naked hole (first phase of the construction), while the end of the construction implies also the finishing accomplishments to make the shafts fully operational. The 50 millions euro of extra costs also includes (among other things) these tasks.

Replies and observation on Annex 2.3 comments:

I do have difficulties in understanding the issues indicated in the annex which I report integrally here below:

Activity 14Electric connection Susa-Venaus

The activity will not be done as the works for electrical power supply for Chiomonte is not necessary at this stage

Please explain

Activity 19Civil works in Susa plain (o.w.2A)

Savings

Please explain

Activity 20Info point Henry Barrack (o.w. 2E)

Savings

Please explain

Activity 23Modane and Maddalena (o.w.5)

The activity will not be fully completed.

Please explain

Activity 24La Praz-Modane (o.w. 6)

Cost for activities 24 and 25must be analised together. Please explain Increase is due to the outcome of the negotiation with the company that won the tender

Activity 25St Martin la Porte-La Praz (o.w.7)

Cost deviation: Cost for activities 24 and 25must be analised together. Please explain Increase is due to the outcome of the negotiation with the company that won the tender

Activity 30Arc Bridge (o.w. 9E)

Savings

Please explain

Activity 31Management of excavated materials-Italy (o.w. 10)

As the cost of the contract has been signed later than initially indicated, the costs of the activity will be lower than initially plannedPlease explain

•Issue number 1: the word Savings

I believe that you do know the meaning of the word "Savings" (from Oxford dictionary: an economy of or reduction in money, time, or another resource). In my mind this word is self explanatory, therefore I maybe missing the true sense of the request. In this context, the cost of the activity has been lower than initially expected. If this explanation is not satisfactory, please let me know and circumstantiate.

•Issue number 2: activity not completed in the timeframe of the GA (activity 14)

As explained the "Electric connection Susa-Venaus" is not necessary at this stage and therefore it will not be done.

•Issue number 3: activity to be analyzed together (Activity 24, 25)

As explained these two activities are a unique contract assigned to a single group of companies. The detailed execution of the works are necessarily decided by this group and may slightly (or considerably) differ from what TELT engineers have initially planned. Reading these two activity together is the correct and only way to analyze them as there are more tasks done in one activity and less in the other, but they are globally on line with the Grant

•Issue number 4: lower costs due to a later start of the activity (activity 31):

The total cost of the activity will not change (at least not before the tender will be assigned). However, as the activity will start later than expected, costs in the same timeframe (end of will be lower than indicated.

Hoping that the above answer will satisfy your needs I take the opportunity in sending my best regards to you and to all the recipients of the message.

Da:
Inviato: giovedì 6 aprile 2023 19:56 A:
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Oggetto: R: ACTION STATUS REPORT 2023 . IT comments Priorità: Alta
Dear Dear Dear Dear Dear Dear Dear Dear
I attach to this message some preliminary comments on: •Milestones, activity and costs – file Scheda commenti – sheet "MILESTONES" the comments are highlighted in red •Technical report – comments in red •Annex 2.4 comments in red.
We kindly ask TELT if CINEA sent some comments and if we can receive TELT's feedback and the revised version within and not beyon 12 April - end of morning, in order to be able to proceed with the internal consultation procedure for the MIT validation.
At this regards we kindlyask the French colleagues to provide their validation by 13/4 p.v. in order to respect the deadline.
I would like also to inform you that today we received anew access to documents to ASR 2023, therefore we kindly ask you to start the preparation of the "obscured" (if needed) version of the report and its annexes because we are preparing the request in this sense.
I take the occasion to wish a pleasant Easter break. Best regards
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Dear dear dear dear dear dear dear dear d
The TELT ASR 2023 has been declared in CINEA eASR system and is waiting for your certification.
You will find enclosed to this mail the download of all the information inserted.
The agreement from to postpone the submission date will give us enough time to further discuss the proposal.
I confirm that all the points highlighted in mail have been taken into account: 1. if an activity will not be fully completed as described in the latest GA in force (for example, some tasks can't be done anymore, are not anymore necessary or are postponed to an unknown date, far away in the future), then the actual end date should be the date by which the activity will be completed in a reduced scope (taking out these tasks). There are five activities that will not be fully completed by action end date and corresponds to the milestones and tasks/subtasks indicated in receiv yellow & red table circulated a couple of weeks ago (enclosed for quick reference). The tasks/subtasks that will not be achieved by have been considered out of scope.
2. If a milestone will not be reached (because it is not relevant anymore or because it will be completed far away in the future), it is important to explain this in the explanatory text of the field "note". You may also consider to attach an annex to the ASR with a clear indication of the milestones (and activities or part thereof) that are intended to be excluded from the scope of the Grant Agreement. It is the case of a very limited number of milestones. In this case we set up a dummy date (the activity start date) with a clear indication in the comments of the reasons that conducted us in excluding the milestone. In the technical progress box there is an explanation note.
3. The cost table should be filled in in relation to the scope of the existing Grant Agreement and should not include costs related to tasks that would only become available with the entry force of a potential amended GA. It is however possible to introduce costs in years after the end dat and to add an annex explaining that you plan to reduce the scope of some activities and extend the scope of others in light of an update of the detailed sequencing of some tasks. The Financial Statement includes for each single activity only costs within the Grant Agreement perimeter even in the case of current cost estimation higher than the Grant Agreement.
I look forward to listen to you for any observation and comments you may have.
Best regards,
Da: Inviato: giovedì 30 marzo 2023 13:35 A:

Dear Thanking for the clarifications provided we include hereafter the updated comments with some further requests for clarifications.
We kindly request to receive the technical report of the ASR which should reflect the modifications expected in the amendment in compensation/substitutions for - at least - the activities 8-9-13-14-19-23-33.

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In order to launch the internal validation procedure and acquiring the certification of the French beneficiary, we need to receive the technical report and the clarifications urgently (including the confirmation of the uploading of the updated information on the Tentec System). The deadline for the validation is tomorrow and we are not in the condition to validate the report.

We need to know if you need a prorogation.

We ask also to know if you shared the table informally with CINEA as they requested.

Best regards

Assumptions:

1 Deadline for	eligible costsfinancial	completion ·	_ ′	1,915 billion €
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- 2. Deadline for**technical completion**: (costs not eligible in GA 2014-2020 and not possible to be included in GA 2021-2027). Technical completion essential for maintaining 813 mln € EU contribution
- 3. Out of technical scope and out of financial eligibility of GA 2014-2020 but possible inclusion in GA2021-2027: activities from onwards

Out of Milestones the level of completion seems the following: Within the deadline of the Grant (): M completed - ok : completed - ok completed related to activities 7 -10 -11-15-19-21-24-32 : completed related to activities 9 -13-19-33 : completed related to activity 23 : completed related to activity 14

Costs:

•Within 2,146 billion euro –it should be 2,206 including compensation - to be clarified

192 mln euro - ok

onwards:31 mln euro (you previously indicated 25 mln€)

•Total costs previously indicated (including compensation of activities): 2,338 billion euro (TELT Document meeting DGMOVE) instead of 2,370 billion euro - to be clarified

Activities to be compensated with other costs:

Act8+9 1,5M€to be clarified why not 6M€ as indicated previously

Act 14 5,5M€ in

Act 19 scope reduced

Act23 19,3M€

Act 33 4.6M€

Around 31M€

Activity that will compensate the reduction of scope/costs:

Act 24 gabarit

Act 26 excavation

Act 32 substitution of site and other preliminary works

Regarding the activities:

•Activity 8: Milestones (), however activity will be completed in (see yellow red table) Negative costs will be eliminated and reported in

It appears (to be confirmed) that the will be completed by 1,7M€ are foreseen in the period (possibly to be included in the GA2) related to activities OUT OF SCOPE of GA1.

Do we need to change the description of Activity 8 in the GA1? Obviously a justification and compensation of costs are needed Costs in will be2.255.821,34 after the correction of negative amount, is it correct? In the yellow-red table the costs are around 1,5M€ It has to be still confirmed that objectives 4-5-9 are considered to be removed from the GA 2014-2020. Moreover it has to be clarified why there are small costs in (136k€) •Activity 11: Milestone is confirmed to be achieved by end with costs foreseen in (22 million euros that will be not eligible) It is a critical point, Autoporto was declared completed to CINEA and DGMOVE by (sending table red/yellow without it). Moreover no costs are still foreseen in (in the tentec version). Please clarify the reasons of this re-scheduling in details. •Activity 14: Milestone has been mistakenly indicated in instead of A correction will follow. Therefore as indicated in table red/yellow, will be implemented in (with 5,5mln euro). Please confirm that a modification the text of the activity in the amendment will include justification regarding the changes of the original projectand compensation of costs is needed, •Activity 15: Milestone (end of excavation) is confirmed to be achieved by end , the completion of the activity is expected in In the GA completion date of the activity is a second (end of escavation). In the agreed table red/yellow was shifted to Now it was anticipated from . Which activities are expected in the year for 50Meuro if the excavation of shafts are completed and the two dates in the contract was the same? Thanks for clarifications. •Activity 19: mere reduction of cost same perimeter and are out of eligibility period, scope deduced and shifted later. The reduction of costs is probably connected to the tender. Please confirm that a modification the text of the activity in the amendment will include justification. •Activity 21: 33 M€ will be spent in as indicated in the yellow/red table. Ok 33M€ to be spent in were 13M€ instead of 10M€. •Activity 24: milestone will be achieved on . A correction will follow Ok, compensation of costs (for 60M€) are needed in the GA1 (act 25). To be confirmed •Activity 33: two tasks that corresponds to milestones and are rescheduled in because of the new planning. Ok, compensation of costs (for 5M€) are needed in the GA1. To be confirmed Ministero delle infrastrutture e dei trasporti Via Nomentana 2 00161 Roma

•Activity 9: a few diversion have been resolved with important saving compared to initial project

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Dear,
We thank you for your very useful observation that allowed us to find two mistakes in the previous document.
Please find here below the requested comments and answers:
•Activity 8: Milestones (), however activity will be completed in (see yellow red table) Negative costs will be eliminated and reported in
•Activity 9: a few diversion have been resolved with important saving compared to initial project
•Activity 11: Milestone is confirmed to be achieved by end with costs foreseen in (22 million euros that will be not eligible)
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•Activity 19: mere reduction of cost same perimeter
•Activity 21: 33 M€ will be spent in as indicated in the yellow/red table.
•Activity 24: milestone will be achieved on a second will follow.
•Activity 33: two tasks that corresponds to milestones and are rescheduled in because of the new planning.
Best regards,
Da:
Inviato: lunedì 27 marzo 2023 18:41 A:
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Oggetto: R: ACTION STATUS REPORT 2023 . IT comments Dear thanking for the anticipation of the activity-milestone-costs tables of the draft ASR2023, please find hereafter our comments and requests for clarifications (in red) respect to what was discussed internally and with CINEA/DGMOVE. We kindly request to receive the technical report of the ASR which should reflect the modifications expected in the amendment in line with the compensation/substitutions for - at least - the activities 8-9-13-14-19-23-33. In order to launch the internal validation procedure and acquiring the certification of the French beneficiary, we need to receive the technical report and the clarifications required by 29/03/2023 (including the uploading of these information on the Tentec System). In the meantime these tables which seem to update the previous discussed ones should be shared with CINEA in order to receive any comments/reaction before the formal submission, expected by 31/03/2023. Best regards Assumptions: 1. Deadline for eligible costs **financial completion**: > 1,915 billion € 2. Deadline for**technical completion**: (costs not eligible in GA 2014-2020 and not possible to be included in GA 2021-2027). Technical completion essential for maintaining 813 mln € EU contribution 3. Out of technical scope and out of financial eligibility of GA 2014-2020 but possible inclusion in GA2021-2027: activities from onwards Out of Milestones the level of completion seems the following: Within the deadline of the Grant (): M completed - ok : completed - ok : completed related to activities 7 (ok) -10 (ok)-11 (NEW see comments below)- 14 (see comments below)-15 (anticipated at from December see comments below)-19-21(see comments below)-32 (ok);maybe activity 8 is missing (see comments on act8); activity 24 is missing? : completed related to activities (see comments below) -13 (ok)-19-33 maybe activity 8 is missing (see comments on act8) : completed related to activity 23 (ok); maybe activity 8 is missing (see comments on act8) Costs: •Within 2,146 billion euro –it should be 2,206 including compensation - to be clarified 192 mln euro - ok •From onwards:31 mln euro (you previously indicated 25 mln€) .ls it possible to clarify why including costs in These costs may me eligible in GA2021-2027 but third amendment should be approved before •Total costs previously indicated (including compensation of activities): 2,338 billion euro instead of 2,370 billion euro – to be clarified Activities to be compensated with other costs: Act8+9 6M€ Act 14 5,5M€ Act 19 scope reduced Act23 19,3M€ Act 33 4,6M€ Activity that will compensate the reduction of scope/costs: Act 24 gabarit

Act 26 excavation

Act 32 substitution of site and other preliminary works

Comments on Activites

ACTIVITY 8

After the preliminary meeting with CINEA, you previously indicated also activity 8 in the perimeter after (assumption 3). In fact there are cost for 1,7 mln euro but all the milestones are completed within 2022. TO BE CORRECTED

It has to be clarified if objectives 9-14 e 15 (and probably also 10) are considered to be removed from the GA 2014-2020.

In 2022 there are negative costs for -1,49 mln euro. In case of removal, it should be zero in 2022. Moreover from table (red&yellow) costs in are equal to 1,557 mln euro (and not 3,75 mln euro). TO BE CLARIFIED

ACTIVITY 9 It has to be clarified if objectives 4-5-9 are considered to be removed from the GA 2014-2020. Removing 3 objectives no.4-5-9 from the activityit seems that the costs of the activity have been reduced of 5,1 mln euro (72%) Moreover it has to be clarified why there are small costs in (136k€) **ACTIVITY 11** Is rescheduled at the end It was not agreed nor discussed with CINEA/DGMOVE. Please clarify. It was planned at the end of within the technical and financial scope. Moreover no costs are foreseen in **ACTIVITY 14** completed within when there are costs in (5,5mln euro). it has to be clarified if the modification of the project will change the text of the activity in the amendment and won't include the works planned in In this scenario maybe costs in are avoidable. **ACTIVITY15** confirmed? Costs are in line with the previous scenario illustrated. **ACTIVITY 21** 3M€ costs shifted to from To be clarified. **ACTIVITY 24** Costs in but milestones completed in To be clarified. Compensation with excavation in Act.25 **ACTIVITY 33** Costs in : 4,6 M€. To be clarified Ministero delle infrastrutture e dei trasporti Via Nomentana 2 00161 Roma Ai sensi e per gli effetti del Regolamento europeo per la protezione dei dati personali n. 2016/679 si rende noto che le informazioni contenute nella presente comunicazione telematica sono di natura privata e come tali riservate e inviate esclusivamente al destinatario indicato in epigrafe. La diffusione, la distribuzione e\o la riproduzione di quanto trasmesso, da parte di qualsiasi soggetto diverso dal suo destinatario, non è consentita. Qualora per errore vi sia stato trasmesso il seguente messaggio/documento vi preghiamo cortesemente di darcene immediata comunicazione, anche inviando un messaggio di ritorno all'indirizzo e-mail del mittente, nonché di distruggere quanto ricevuto. Grazie.

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please find enclosed TELT proposal for the action status report to be submitted within current march 31st 2023.

This proposal has been beforehand illustrated to CINEA and the European Commission which agreed on the general terms which I summarize here below:

•Milestones to be completed as of January 1st 2023: out of

•Activities completed as of 22 26 out of 33 (not entirely achieved 8, 9, 13, 14, 19, 23, 33)

•Cumulated eligible cost as of 2,14 billions euros vs 1,91 billions euros indicated in the Grant Agreement (signed in 2015)

General progress:

- •At present, the project is in the full implementation phase, in particular on the French side where all the contracts for the construction of civil works were signed in 2021 and today the contractors have taken possession of the areas and have carried out all the preparatory activities
- •5 of the 7 TBM that will excavate the base tunnel have been ordered and will be tested in the factory plant by end
- •It is expected that contracts for civil works on the Italian territory will be signed by together with the contracts for the management and valorization of excavated materials in France and Italy.

Critical issues:

There are some critical issues with reference to punctual activities that may experience delays and therefore not finish within the eligibility horizon of the Grant. Specifically, two types of phenomena occur:

[1] Activities that will be completed within the deadline of the Grant

Scope achieved, however there will be expenses in the year not eligible for EU co-financing

- •Concerns activities no.:
- •€€€€€ 7 Release of the land acquired for public purposes and demolitions the activities will take place between and and the amounts involved total €18,719k, of which €30k NOT eligible as accountable during the year. The reference milestone is number
- •€€€€€€ 10 Chiomonte Interchange the activities will take place between and The amounts involved total €50,156k, of which
- €25,000k NOT eligible as they are accountable in The reference milestone is the number

Additional activities to those envisaged will be included in the next grant.

With reference to this contract, it is useful to specify that it was affected by the cost of materials which led to the urgent issue of the "Aid Decree" in Italy. TELT has acknowledged the impossibility for to start the works and the need for an economic variant, the designation of a new contractor, as well as the modification of the Financing Agreement. The administrative process was completed in 2022 and today the activities are ongoing.

•€€€€€ 15 – Avrieux shafts - the activities take place between 2021 and ______ The amounts involved total €259,685 thousand, of which €50,000 thousand NOT eligible as they are accountable in ______ The reference milestone is number _____ The progress of the works has seen a significant slowdown in relation to the need for numerous preventive consolidations (injections into the ground) at the start of the excavation of

the wells. Since the start of the excavation, however, the activities have continued consistently with the established programme.

•€€€€€€ 21 – Maddalena-Susa (o.w. 3-4) - the activities will take place between and the amounts involved are a total of 38,050 k€ €, of which 33,688 k€ € NOT eligible as accountable in the year the amounts are number and the amounts involved are a total of 38,050 k€ €.

the rescheduling of the public tender, due to the covid19 pandemic, sees the start of the works by the end of

the works by the end of the amounts involved total £206 183k, of which

•€€€€€€ 24 - La Praz-Modane (o.w. 6) - the activities will take place between and the amounts involved total €206,183k, of which €60,000k NOT eligible as they are accountable in the reference milestone is number for this contract, the rescheduling of activities is

due to an operational optimization linked to technical choices of the grouping, since activities and are part of the same contract

•€€€€€€ 32 - Management of excavated materials-France (o.w. 11) - the activities initially envisaged in will be carried out in reference milestones are number and the tender is in progress and is affected by the same critical issues already reported for the operational worksite 3/4 (longer tender procedures in relation to the Covid-19 pandemic)

[2] Activities that will NOT be completed within the deadline of the Grant:

"scope" not achieved and will also involve expenses in the year and after (expenditures not eligibles for EU co-financing)

- Concerns activities no.:
- •8 Utilities diversions in France and 9 Utilities diversions in Italy
- •13 Susa-Bussoleno tunnel interconnection
- •14 Electric connection Susa-Venaus: this electrical interconnection, previously designed as a trench, was then the subject of a design variation. The new configuration provides for the passage of the electrical conduit in the base tunnel. Consequently, this activity, with a grant

value of €5,576 thousand, is rescheduled after

- •19 Civil works in Susa plain (o.w. 2A)
- •23 Modane and Maddalena (o.w. 5)
- •33 Engineering and other costs not included in other OW

Before autumn a third amendment will be signed with the objective to minimize the expenditures non eligibles for EU co-financing.

These data will be input in the ASR TenTec system.

Please do not hesitate should any queries on your side may arise.

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