

**HIGH COUNCIL DECISION N° 12/20
of 15 December 2020**

Extension of contingency measures in case an agreement with the United Kingdom concerning its future contribution to the European University Institute is not reached

The High Council

Having regard to Article 16(2) of the Convention setting up a European University Institute (EUI), according to which nationals of Non-Contracting States may be admitted to the EUI subject to limits and conditions to be laid down in the rules to be adopted by the High Council after consulting the Academic Council,

Having regard to the unanimous position expressed by the members of the High Council that contingency measures should be foreseen in case of an unregulated exit of the United Kingdom from the EUI,

Having regard to High Council Decision no. 4/2019 as of 1 November 2019 concerning contingency measures in case of an unregulated exit of the United Kingdom from the European University Institute which duration was limited to the 31 December 2020,

Whereas legitimate guarantees should be offered to those researchers, who would be most directly affected by an unregulated exit on the condition that the United Kingdom maintains its contribution to the EUI budget,

Whereas for the members of EUI staff, the EUI Staff Rules and Conditions of Employment of Other Servants provide the Appointing Authority with adequate powers in this respect,

Whereas the contingency measures established by the present decision will be applicable only in case an agreement with the authorities of the United Kingdom concerning its future contribution to the European University Institute is not reached,

Whereas the duration of the present decision is limited to the 31 December 2021,

Following the consultation of the Academic Council,

Has adopted the following decision:

Article 1

Researchers

Subject to the United Kingdom's timely fulfillment of the conditions mentioned in Article 3 of this decision, the following contingency measures will be applied:

- Researchers funded by UK grants or having UK nationality will attend the EUI's programmes under the same conditions as researchers funded by an EUI Contracting State and
- the EUI will continue to pay the fourth-year grant to all doctoral researchers who were admitted to the doctoral programme with a UK grant.

Article 2

Administrative Staff

The Appointing Authority of the EUI will take the measures provided by EUI's Staff Rules and Conditions of Employment for Other Servants with regard to EUI administrative staff with UK nationality.

Article 3

United Kingdom contribution to the EUI

The above contingency measures are subject to the condition that the United Kingdom continues to contribute to the financing of the EUI in 2021.

Article 4

Entry into force and duration

In case an agreement with the authorities of the United Kingdom concerning its future contribution to the European University Institute is not reached, the present decision will enter into force on the 1 January 2021.

Its duration is limited to 31 December 2021.

Done in Florence, 15 December 2020

For the High Council

The President

(original signed)

Robert KERGER