Title of measure The European Research Infrastructure Consortium (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulation Lead Departmental Contact Isabella Hussell (BEIS)

Policy Overview

The European Research Infrastructure Consortium Council Regulation (EC) No 723/2009 (amended by Council Regulation (EU) No 1261/2013) – hereafter referred to as the Regulation - sets the legal framework for the formation of European Research Infrastructure Consortia.

This Statutory Instrument makes amendments to the Regulation which has been retained in domestic law under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018. These amendments remove redundant or inappropriate provisions within the Regulation that are no longer applicable to the United Kingdom following our departure from the European Union. For example, the Regulation contains references to EU Directives, and this Statutory Instrument will amend these to refer to the UK domestic law which implements those provisions. These amendments ensure that the legislation continues to operate effectively at the point at which the United Kingdom withdraws from the European Union. This is necessary because should we wish to be part of European Research Infrastructure Consortia, the retained legislation needs to operate effectively to ensure UK membership reflects our status within European Research Infrastructure Consortia.

The instrument only makes the minor changes described above and does not represent a policy change.

Direct Costs to Business

This statutory instrument does not represent a policy change and will have no impact on business, charities, voluntary bodies, or the public sector. Businesses will experience no change resulting from the regulatory change and will therefore face negligible direct cost.

Wider Impacts and Transfers

This statutory instrument does not represent a policy change and will result in no wider impacts or transfers and will not affect consumers, wider society, the environment, or the rest of the economy.

Impacts on Small Businesses

The Regulation does not apply to small businesses. The legislative amendments introduced by the statutory instrument will represent no policy change and will result in no changes for businesses, including for small and micro entities.

Politically sensitive?

The statutory instrument is not considered as politically sensitive as it does not represent a policy change. The amendments are only necessary to ensure that the legislation continues to operate effectively at the point at which the United Kingdom withdraws from the European Union, reflecting our status within European Research Infrastructure Consortia.

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