



## **DECISION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SMART NETWORKS AND SERVICES JOINT UNDERTAKING No 07/2025**

### **on the renewal of the Stakeholders Group**

THE GOVERNING BOARD,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe (also called as “Single Basic Act-SBA”), and notably the Smart Network and Services Joint Undertaking (hereby referred “SNS JU”) <sup>2</sup> and in particular articles 17 and 22 thereof;

Having regard to the minutes of the Governing Board meeting of 3 May 2022 acknowledging the initial establishment of the SNS JU Stakeholders Group;

Considering the need to reassess the composition of the Stakeholders Group to ensure it remains open to all public and private stakeholders, and achieves balanced representation in terms of geographical distribution, gender, sector, and expertise;

HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

#### *Article 1*

The Governing Board confirms the intention to renew the Stakeholders Group through a transparent Call for Expression of Interest.

#### *Article 2*

The Programme Office is requested to prepare specific criteria and a selection process for the renewed Stakeholders Group, based on the guidance provided by the European Commission.

#### *Article 3*

A dedicated Task Force will be established to support the preparation of the selection criteria and rules for the Call for Expression of Interest. It will be composed of representatives from the SNS JU Programme Office, members of the SNS JU, and up to two observers from the States’ Representatives Group. Working on the basis of the European Commission’s guidance, the Task Force will provide input to the Executive Director, who will finalise the selection criteria and rules and submit them to the Governing Board for approval.

#### *Article 4*

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption by the Governing Board.

Done at Brussels, on 16 June 2025.

For the Governing Board

Thibaut KLEINER  
The Chair