## Annex to the funding guideline Vienna Loyalty Fund

The Vienna Tourist Board supports certain (association) congresses based on the Vienna Loyalty Fund funding guideline.

In accordance with point 2.4 of the funding guideline, the legal basis under Union law was previously the De Minimis Regulation in Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1407/2013 of 18 December 2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to De Minimis aid; published in the Official Journal of the European Union L 352/1 on 24 December 2013, last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) 2020/972 of 2 July, 2020 amending Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 as regards its prolongation and amending Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 as regards its prolongation and relevant adjustments; published in the Official Journal of the European Union L 215/3 on 7 July 2020. However, this only applied until 31 December 2023.

The De Minimis Regulation was replaced on 1 January 2024 by Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/2831 of 13 December 2023 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to De Minimis aid (EUR-Lex - 32023R2831 - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)).

For the avoidance of doubt, the legal basis under Union law for subsidies granted to the Vienna Tourist Board under the Vienna Loyalty Fund is Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/2831 of 13 December 2023 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union to De Minimis aid ("new De Minimis Regulation") since 1 January 2024. Since this date, all provisions of the new De Minimis Regulation must be complied with (e.g. total amount of De Minimis aid granted by a Member State to a single undertaking (Art 3 (2) of the new De Minimis Regulation), cumulation provisions (Art 5 of the new De Minimis Regulation), etc.).

In addition, the terms of the funding guideline are interpreted in accordance with the new De Minimis Regulation. Accordingly, the amount stated in point 7.2 of the funding guideline is increased to EUR 300,000 within three years.

As of 22 February 2024