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**Subject: Suspension of project ENER/FP7/322406 COMETHA for non-fulfilment of obligations under the grant agreement**

Dear Ms Pescarolo,

The Commission considers that the consortium is not able to fulfil its obligations according to the terms of the above-mentioned grant agreement.

Based on the BIOCHEMTEX S.P.A-Petition for the composition with creditors' admission pursuant to Article 161, paragraph 6 of the Italian Bankruptcy Law, provided to the Commission by your email of 23/10/2017 (our Ref: Ref. Ares(2017)5325718 - 31/10/2017) and subsequent communications, the Commission has become aware that there is a significant delay in the implementation of the project which is impacting upon the completion of the contract.

Under these circumstances the Commission has decided to suspend the project in accordance with Article 11.8.3 of the grant agreement. Suspension will take effect 10 days after the receipt of this letter.

Please note that pursuant to Article 11.8.4 of the grant agreement during the period of suspension no costs may be charged to the project for carrying out any part of the project that has been suspended.

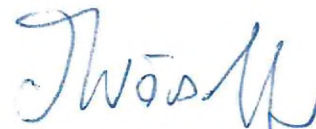
The work under the project cannot be reinstated until the parties to the grant agreement have resolved all internal problems and the consortium is ready to recommence a well-coordinated implementation of the project.

The suspension of project may be lifted once the Commission has explicitly agreed to the continuation of the project and, as appropriate, any necessary modification, including the extension of the duration of the project, has been identified by means of a written amendment.

In the view of the preceding, I kindly invite the representatives of Biochemtex to timely notify the Commission about the decision of the Court of Alessandria on the “concordato preventivo” procedure, as well about any development which will have an impact on the operational and financial situation of the company.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and inform the rest of the members of the consortium.

Yours faithfully



Mechthild Wörsdörfer