**Template for the certification of costs claimed by institution from donor state via audit report**

This is issued for the certification purposes as required by Article 8.12.4 of the Regulations on the implementation of the Norwegian/European Economic Area Financial Mechanisms 2014-2021 (the Regulations).

We confirm that procedures have been performed in order to provide assurance as to the relevance and conformity with the Regulations, national law and relevant national accounting practices of the costs claimed by the donor project partner.

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| **Initiative identification number:** |  |
| **Initiative title:** |  |
| **Name of Final Beneficiary/partner of the initiative from Donor state:** |  |
| **Name of Entity responsible for the certification:** |  |
| **Type of entity:** | *Auditor or Competent Public Officer* |

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| **Start date of incurred expenditure:** |  |
| **End date of incurred expenditure:** |  |
| **Actual expenditures[[1]](#footnote-1) incurred in this period:** |  |
| **Sum total of eligible expenditures** |  |

The [*Auditor/Competent Public Officer*] hereby certifies that:

1. The costs claimed by the Final Beneficiary/partner of the initiative from Donor state are incurred in accordance with the Regulations on the EEA / Norwegian Financial Mechanisms 2014-2021[[2]](#footnote-2).
2. The costs claimed are incurred in accordance with the relevant law and national accounting practices.
3. The [*Auditor[[3]](#footnote-3)/Competent Public Officer*] has not been involved in the preparation of the relevant financial statements, and is independent of the Beneficiary/partner of the initiative from Donor state.

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|  | **For the Auditor/Competent Public Officer** | **Optional second signature** |
| **Name** |  |  |
| **Signature** |  |  |
| **Position** |  |  |

1. **A breakdown of the costs certified shall be provided as an annex**. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Provisions on eligibility of expenditures are stated in chapter 8 of the Regulations. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. **Auditor shall be qualified to carry out statutory audits of accounting documents**. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)