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Addressees: Directors-General for Civil Protection of the Member States and Participating States to the Union Civil Protection Mechanism, Members of the Civil Protection Committee

Subject: Invitation to submit applications for the action “rescEU Transition Aerial Forest Firefighting Capacities - Forest fire season 2024” (UCPM-2024-rescEU-Transition-IBA)

Dear Directors-General and Members of the Civil Protection Committee,

I have the pleasure to inform you of the possibility to obtain financial support under the rescEU Transition 2024 initiative.

The objective of the action is to ensure rapid access to national aerial forest firefighting means to address temporary shortcomings in case of extraordinary forest fires, and to ensure a timely and effective response to the needs for the upcoming forest fire season.

Please find enclosed the conditions for awarding grants and related documents for application under this invitation to apply.

If you are interested in applying for a rescEU Transition 2024 grant, please prepare your application and submit all relevant documents via the Funding & Tenders Portal, which can be accessed through the following link:

<https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/submission/manage/screen/submission/create-draft/32539?topic=UCPM-2024-rescEU-Transition-IBA>

You can find further information and guidance on the [Funding & Tenders Portal](#).

The deadline for submitting the grant application is **17 January 2024 at 17:00 CET**.

Please facilitate the transmission of this letter, with its annexes explaining the grant agreement procedure, to the relevant persons in charge of a potential application.

Electronically signed
Hans Das

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Enclosures: Call Document