

Dear colleagues,

Lithuania welcomes COM proposed amendment to the Regional aid guidelines. We would like to submit the following preliminary remarks and suggestions from Lithuanian authorities:

In 179 Article is defined, that NUTS 2 regions whose GDP per capita is equal to 55 % of the EU27 average, the aid intensity must not exceed 50 % (a part) and 40 % (b part). We suggest to change Article 179 b part and set, that NUTS 2 regions whose GDP per capita of the EU27 average is between 55 % and 65 % or equal 65 %, the aid intensity must not exceed 40 % and b part of the Article lay out as follows: *„40 % in NUTS 2 regions whose GDP per capita is between 55 % and 65 % or equal 65 % of the EU27 average;“*.

Kind regards,