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HARmonized Products 2018 JAHARP2018

Grant Agreement N° SI2.809078 Call for tender for test laboratories Recreational Craft

1. Background

PROSAFE is an international non-governmental organisation established in 1991 by market surveillance officers from various countries throughout Europe. Its main aim is to contribute to the safety of products and services by promoting best practices in market surveillance. Since 2006, PROSAFE has established itself as an important organising and coordinating body for Joint Market Surveillance Actions in Europe. PROSAFE's official name is "Stichting PROSAFE". It is a foundation under Dutch law.

PROSAFE's main task is to coordinate Joint Market Surveillance Actions. Each Joint Action comprises a number of work packages that target specific product groups.

In 2019, PROSAFE became the Project Coordinator for the Joint Market Surveillance Action JAHARP18. The Action started in November 2019 and is currently scheduled to end in January 2022. The Joint Action comprises 3 Work Packages, one of which addresses Recreational Craft - <http://prosafe.org/index.php/joint-actions/harmonised-products/jaharp2018>.

The Joint Action identifies a number of roles and responsibilities:

- A Project/Activity Leader for the Joint Action has been appointed, responsible for the performance and reporting of the Joint Action and the coordination of the Work Packages;
- A representative of one of the participating Member State authorities has been selected as a Work Package Leader for the Recreational Craft Work Package (WP);
- An external consultant/expert, Mr Ian Fraser, has been selected as WP Technical Facilitator, supporting the WP Leader of the Recreational Craft WP in day-to-day work;
- PROSAFE is the Project Coordinator, responsible for the general and financial management and coordination of the Joint Action;
- The financial and project administration is handled by PROSAFE.

2. The scope of the tender

An important part of the Joint Action is the testing of a number of recreational craft in order to check safety and compliance with the requirements of the applicable EU legislation. The following categories of recreational craft will be sampled for testing:

- Inflatable craft (other than rigid hull inflatable craft),
- Small open craft,

with a hull length of between 2.5 m and 6 m.

