

RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE RESOLUTIONS OF 10 JULY AND 30 SEPTEMBER 2015 ON THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE AWARDING OF GRANTS, ON THE BASIS OF OPEN, COMPETITIVE TENDERING, FOR ACTIVITIES TO PROMOTE AND PUBLICISE CATALAN WORKS OF LITERATURE AND PHILOSOPHY ABROAD IN 2015.

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Factual Background

- 1. On 10 July and 30 September 2015 the director of the Institut Ramon Llull issued a resolution to close the first and second application periods (respectively) for the awarding of grants, on the basis of open, competitive tendering, for activities to promote and publicise Catalan works of literature and philosophy abroad in 2015.
- 2. Rule 1.2 of the rules governing the application process stipulates that these grants shall be considered aid of a *de minimis* nature, and are therefore subject to EU Commission Regulation 1407/2013 of 18 December 2013 with regard to the application of articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union in relation to *de minimis* aid (OJEU L352 of 24/12/2013).
- 3. Rule 13.2 of said rules stipulates that the resolution must expressly state that the grant is of a *de minimis* nature.
- 4. Erroneously, the *de minimis* nature of the grant was not expressly stated in the resolutions of 10 July and 30 September 2015, which closed the first and second application periods (respectively) for the awarding of grants, on the basis of open, competitive tendering, for activities to promote and publicise Catalan works of literature and philosophy abroad in 2015.

Legal Grounds

- 1. Rules 1.2 and 13.2 of the rules governing the application process for the awarding of grants, on the basis of open, competitive tendering, for activities to promote and publicise Catalan works of literature and philosophy abroad in 2015.
- 2. Article 105 of the Legal Framework for Public Administrations and Common Administrative Procedure Act (Law 30/1992 of 26 November) allows public administrations to rectify, at any time and on an ex officio basis or at the behest of the interested parties, any material, factual or numerical errors that may be found in its records.

Article 13.2(e) of the Statutes of the Institut Ramon Llull empowers the Director of the Institut Ramon Llull to award grants.



Resolution

Accordingly, I resolve

To stipulate that the grants awarded by virtue of the resolutions issued by the director of the Institut Ramon Llull on 10 July and 30 September 2015, which closed the first and second application periods (respectively) for the awarding of grants on the basis of open, competitive tendering for activities to promote and publicise Catalan works of literature and philosophy abroad in 2015, shall be considered aid of a *de minimis* nature and therefore subject to EU Commission Regulation 1407/2013 of 18 December 2013 on the application of articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty of the Functioning of the European Union with regard to *de minimis* aid (OJEU L352 of 24/12/2013).

Admissible Appeals

This resolution does not exhaust the administrative channels for appeal and, in accordance with Articles 114 and 115 of the Legal Framework for Public Administrations and Common Administrative Procedure Act (Law 30/1992 of 26 November), an appeal for the matter to be passed to a higher authority may be lodged with the Chairman of the Management Board of the Institut Ramon Llull within a period of one month from the day of publication of this resolution.

Barcelona, 23 November 2015

The Director of the Institut Ramon Llull

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