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	Covid-19	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BUDGET INFORMATION				
12. Amounts concerned	Budget line(s) (article, item): BGUE-B2022-14.020122-C1-INTPA Total estimated cost: EUR 15 000 000 Total amount of EU budget contribution EUR 15 000 000			
MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION				
13. Type of financing	Direct management through: - Grants - Procurement Indirect management with the entity(ies) to be selected in accordance with the criteria set out in section 4.4.4 Indirect management with the Government of the Republic of South Africa			

1.2 Summary of the Action

This action will contribute to all specific objectives of priority area 3 “Partnerships” of the Multi-annual indicative programme (MIP) 2021-2027. The MIP explains in detail the special relationship between South Africa (SA) and the European Union, formalised in the Trade, Development and Cooperation Agreement (TDCA), the EU-SADC Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) and the fact that South Africa is the EU’s only strategic partner on the African continent. Conscious of this special relationship, the activities proposed operationalise the rationale behind PA “Partnerships” that is to intensify dialogue and collaboration between institutions and people-to-people exchange in areas of mutual interest. In line with specific objective 2 of PA 3, the action will not only support cooperation **IN** South Africa but also **WITH** SA on regional integration and safeguarding global public goods.

Mindful of the fact that SA is an upper middle income country with its unique transition challenges, many activities will focus on research towards evidence based, inclusive and gender-responsive policy-making, such as in the continuation of support to the Southern Africa – Towards Inclusive Economic Development (SA-TIED) programme which has successfully benefitted the National Treasury with world class research, and in enhancing research capacity of South African Research Councils on issues of mutual interest – with a link to focus topics under priority areas (PAs) 1 and 2 of the MIP.

A current flagship in the EU’s portfolio in South Africa, the “Dialogue Facility” will be continued. This much-hailed programme enables demand-driven knowledge exchange and dialogues towards strengthened policy development capacities. The Dialogue Facility successfully brings the aspirations of the EU-SA Strategic Partnership to a very concrete level as it brings together institutions and individuals. It will be adapted from its current model by also allowing dialogue projects at sub-national level and providing some funding for the implementation of pilot projects emanating from promising dialogues.

Responding to a change in the Erasmus+ architecture that finds South Africa without an earmarked allocation and competing for resources with other countries, the action proposes an Erasmus+ support facility. This will provide Technical Assistance to institutions of higher learning, including those serving previously disadvantaged communities, and to TVET institutions which are now eligible under Erasmus+, to contribute to continued success