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**COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) .../...**

**of XXX**

**supplementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council by specifying the number and the titles of the variables in the labour force domain for the 2026 ad hoc subject on Digital Platform Employment**

(Text with EEA relevance)

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## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

### **1. CONTEXT OF THE DELEGATED ACT**

Under Article 6(1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and Council establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples, the Commission is empowered to adopt delegated legal acts specifying the number and title of variables of the different data sets. According to Article 6(2), the number of variables laid down in the delegated act must not exceed by more than 5% the number of variables for each domain of those variables already required, on a mandatory basis, by the Commission (Eurostat) at the moment Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 entered into force.

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) comprises a core LFS and a system combining, over an eight-year period, six regular modules and two ad hoc subjects.

This delegated Regulation covers the number and the title of the variables for the data set in the labour force domain related to the ad hoc subject, digital platform employment, to be implemented in 2026.

### **2. CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE ACT**

The Commission has carried out appropriate consultations as part of the preparation of this delegated act.

It consulted national experts invited to expert meetings to discuss the draft delegated act. The consultation took place at the meeting of the European Directors of Social Statistics on 12 June 2024. The Expert Group ‘National Statistical Institutes of the European Statistical System’ was also consulted.

The Commission has also kept both the European Parliament and the Council informed of the consultations.

### **3. LEGAL ELEMENTS OF THE DELEGATED ACT**

The objective of this delegated Regulation is to adopt the number and title of the variables for the 2026 ad hoc subject digital platform employment in the labour force domain, as provided for in Article 6(1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700.

In line with Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2019/2240<sup>1</sup>, the number of variables for the ad hoc subject digital platform employment is 11. Combined with the quarterly, annual and biennial variables in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2019/2240, the number of variables to be collected in 2026 does not exceed by more than 5% the number of variables collected for the labour force domain when Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 entered into force, thereby fulfilling the requirement in Article 6(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700.

The delegated act has no implications for the EU budget.

The delegated act concerns a matter relating to the European Economic Area (EEA). Its application should therefore extend to the EEA.

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<sup>1</sup> Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2240 of 16 December 2019 specifying the technical items of the data set, establishing the technical formats for transmission of information and specifying the detailed arrangements and content of the quality reports on the organisation of a sample survey in the labour force domain in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 336, 30.12.2019, p. 59)

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 October 2019 establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples, amending Regulations (EC) No 808/2004, (EC) No 452/2008 and (EC) No 1338/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98<sup>2</sup>, and in particular Article 6(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to cover the needs identified in the relevant detailed topics, it is necessary to specify the number and title of the variables the labour force domain for the 2026 ad hoc subject on Digital Platform Employment.
- (2) The number of variables to be collected should not exceed by more than 5% the number of variables collected for the labour force domain at the time when Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 entered into force.
- (3) The Commission has carried out appropriate consultations of national experts as part of the preparation of this delegated Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The number and titles of the variables for the 2026 ad hoc subject on Digital platform employment in the labour force domain shall be as set out in the Annex.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

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<sup>2</sup> OJ L 261I, 14.10.2019, p. 1.

Done at Brussels,

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
*Ursula VON DER LEYEN*

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