

IMI2 JU responses to the Independent Observer's report

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## Summary of Recommendations

The evaluation procedure is of highest quality with respect to the information provided as well as the execution of the evaluation.

In order to prevent unnecessary discussions, I recommend discarding any notion of time spans for the remote evaluation of short proposals and for the determination of the remuneration. Instead of this, it is recommended to offer flat rates, without changing the amount of money offered.

## IMI2 JU Responses to the recommendations

*IMI2 JU is happy to have the confirmation from the Independent Observer on the high quality of the evaluation procedure in accordance with the published standards, as well as the execution of the evaluation.* 

We acknowledge the comments expressed by some independent experts concerning the use of time spans in the calculation of the fees experts are entitled for their remote work. Being part of the H2020 Programme, IMI2 JU uses the H2020 expert contract, which establishes this methodology for the calculation of expert fees for remote evaluation. As member of the working groups for H2020 Expert Management, IMI2 JU will bring these comments to future discussions on modifications of the model expert contract.

