

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/580**of 8 April 2019****appointing two members and an alternate member, proposed by the Federal Republic of Germany,
of the Committee of the Regions**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 305 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal of the German Government,

Whereas:

- (1) On 26 January 2015, 5 February 2015 and 23 June 2015, the Council adopted Decisions (EU) 2015/116 ⁽¹⁾, (EU) 2015/190 ⁽²⁾ and (EU) 2015/994 ⁽³⁾ appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020.
- (2) A member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the end of the term of office of Ms Babette WINTER.
- (3) A member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the end of the mandate on the basis of which Ms Marion WALSMANN (*Mitglied des Thüringer Landtags*) was proposed.
- (4) An alternate member's seat has become vacant following the appointment of Mr Dieter LAUINGER as a member of the Committee of the Regions,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following are hereby appointed to the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020:

(a) as members:

- Mr Dieter LAUINGER, *Minister für Migration, Justiz und Verbraucherschutz*,
- Ms Marion WALSMANN, *Mitglied des Erfurter Stadtrats* (change of mandate),

(b) as an alternate member:

- Mr Malte KRÜCKELS, *Staatssekretär für Medien und Bevollmächtigter des Freistaates Thüringen beim Bund*.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Luxembourg, 8 April 2019.

For the Council

The President

F. MOGHERINI

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2015/116 of 26 January 2015 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020 (OJ L 20, 27.1.2015, p. 42).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2015/190 of 5 February 2015 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020 (OJ L 31, 7.2.2015, p. 25).

⁽³⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2015/994 of 23 June 2015 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020 (OJ L 159, 25.6.2015, p. 70).