

## Competency-based test - FINANCE

1. Which of the following principles is **not** laid down in the Financial Regulation (Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002) for the award of grants?
- a) Equal treatment
  - b) Transparency
  - c) Effectiveness
  - d) Co-financing

**The correct answer is C**

2. An enforceable decision of the Commission within the meaning of Article 256 of the EC Treaty is
- a) a means of directly selecting projects
  - b) a means of paying grant beneficiaries quickly
  - c) a means of publishing calls for proposals
  - d) a means of enabling the Commission to recover amounts receivable

**The correct answer is D**

3. The Financial Regulation (Council Regulation No 1605/2002) makes provision for three types of financial actor. What are they?
- a) The project adviser, the authorising officer and the accounting officer
  - b) The authorising officer, the imprest administrator and the accounting officer
  - c) The authorising officer, the accounting officer and the internal auditor
  - d) The head of unit, the director and the director-general

**The correct answer is B**

4. The European Parliament has the 'right of scrutiny' over
- a) programme implementing measures if the basic instrument is adopted under the co-decision procedure
  - b) the selection process for all projects put forward for a Community grant
  - c) projects selected for the award of a Community grant of more than €500 000
  - d) projects selected for the award of a Community grant of more than €1 000 000

**The correct answer is A**

5. Authorisation of expenditure is the act whereby
- a) the authorising officer instructs the accounting officer to pay an amount of expenditure
  - b) the accounting officer issues an instruction for the payment of an amount of expenditure following approval by the authorising officer
  - c) the authorising officer verifies the creditor's claim
  - d) the authorising officer verifies the conditions under which payment falls due

**The correct answer is A**