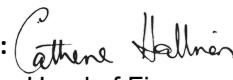


**APPENDIX 1(a)****Prompt Payments by Central Government Departments****Reporting Template pursuant to Government Decision S29296 of 19 May 2009 and 28 March 2017**

**Government Department:** Department of Further and Higher Education Research Innovation and Science

**Quarterly Period Covered:** 1 Oct to 31Dec 2025 (Q4)

Details	Number	Value (€)	Percentage (%) of total number of payments made
<b>Total payments made in Quarter</b>	216	1,716,953	100%
<b>Payments made within 15 days</b>	173	1,635,575	80%
<b>Payments made within 16 days to 30 days</b>	43	81,377	20%
<b>Payments made in excess of 30 days that were <u>subject</u> to LPI and compensation costs</b>			
<b>Payments made in excess of 30 days that were <u>not subject</u> to LPI and compensation costs</b>			
<b>Amount of late payment interest (LPI) paid in Quarter</b>	N/A		N/A
<b>Amount of compensation costs paid in Quarter</b>	N/A		N/A

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