**DECLARATION OF PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR**

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For due purposes, it is stated that within the scope of the project [project name], submitted for co-financing to the Call#4 – Research of the Blue Growth Programme - EEA Grants 2014-2021, is designated as Principal Investigator [name of the researcher] as a researcher who provides the scientific lead for the research project on a daily basis and comply with the following criteria:

1. The Principal Investigator is a researcher with at least a doctoral degree and relevant professional and/or academic experience in a field related to the project research area;
2. The Principal Investigator (of any nationality) is employed full time in the Project Promoter, with a permanent position or with a fixed term contract covering at least the duration of the project;
3. The Principal Investigator cannot be the authorised representative of the Project Promoter;
4. The involvement of the Principal Investigator will be significant and sufficient for proper implementation of the project;
5. The researcher is the Principal Investigator only for this proposal in the Blue Growth Research call only.

.…(place), on .... (day) …... (month) ..…(year)

(signature of the representative of the Project Promoter)