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**Communication from the Commission concerning the prolongation of the application of the
Framework on State aid to shipbuilding**

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The Framework on State aid to shipbuilding ⁽¹⁾ ('the Framework') applies until 31 December 2013.

According to paragraph 10 of the Framework, after that date the Commission envisages including the provisions on innovation aid in the Community framework for State aid for research and development and innovation and integrating regional aid for shipbuilding into the Guidelines on regional aid.

On 19 June 2013, the Commission adopted new Guidelines on regional State aid for 2014-2020 ⁽²⁾. These Guidelines will cover regional aid to shipbuilding following the expiry of the Framework ⁽³⁾. However, these Guidelines will only become applicable as from 1 July 2014 ⁽⁴⁾.

The Commission is also currently reviewing the Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation. The date of adoption of the new Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation is not yet known although it is the intention of the Commission to complete that process by 30 June 2014.

The Commission has therefore decided to continue to apply the current Framework until 30 June 2014.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 364, 14.12.2011, p. 9.

⁽²⁾ OJ C 209, 23.7.2013, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ See footnote 9 of the Guidelines.

⁽⁴⁾ See points 186-191 of the Guidelines.