## Covid-19 – ESA's measures in support of Industry

## Note related to the measures on advances

This message relates to the measures published on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2020, related to advances:

"- Industry may also request additional advances in ongoing contracts, in particular when needed to accelerate payments to subcontractors. This would require a CCN to implement. Such CCN should be subject of electronic signature and submission by email between relevant parties.

- SMEs may request exceptionally, until end-June, up to 50% advance of (remaining) contract value, (taking into account any advance already granted), instead of the current 35%. The Agency will consider favourably such request, (taking into account any advance already granted and the particular circumstances of the relevant contract). This would be implemented via CCNs."

In order to enable ESA to monitor the above measures, and only for advances related to the Covid-19 measures, economic operators are requested to enter the code CV19 as a prefix in the field "External APR Number" at the creation of the Advance Payment Request (APR) in the esa-p system, as shown in the below screenshot:

Advance Payment Request	
Number 8100045434 Save   Submit   1	Status In Process         Created on 20.04.2020 13:12:00         Created by TEST_EXT01           Print         Check         Close         Close
Overview Approval Attachments	
Purchase Order Number: * Payee: * Supplier: * APP Reference: * PO Name: External APR Number: *	4000123176 Add Add AP-3 CV19 20.04.2020 HQ PROJECT - AMO CV19
APR Text: APR Issue Date: * APP Date: APP Description:	25.04.2020 20.04.2020 CV19

"CV19" to be inserted as prefix by the Supplier at APR creation