

Pursuant to Article 17 of the Law on the Council of Ministers of BiH (Official Gazette of BiH, 30/03, 42/03, 81/06, 76/07, 81/07, 94/07 and 24/08) and Article 9, paragraph 6 of the Decision on the system of coordination in the process of European integration in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Official Gazette of BiH, 72/16), at the proposal of the Directorate for European integration, the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at its 101st session held on 12 May 2017, adopted the following

**DECISION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORKING GROUP FOR
POLITICAL CRITERIA, THE WORKING GROUP FOR ECONOMIC CRITERIA AND
THE WORKING GROUP FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION REFORM**

**Article 1
(Subject Matter)**

This Decision provides for the establishment of the Working Group for Political Criteria, the Working Group for Economic Criteria and the Working Group for Public Administration Reform in the system of coordination in the process of European integration in Bosnia and Herzegovina (hereinafter: working groups).

**Article 2
(Composition and scope)**

(1) The working groups shall perform the tasks stipulated in Article 9, paragraph 8 of the Decision on the system of coordination in the process of European integration in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Official Gazette, 72/16) (hereinafter: Decision on the system of coordination).

(2) The working groups shall be composed of representatives from competent institutions, ministries and administrative authorities from all levels of government in BiH, in line with their respective constitutional competences in the field for which the groups were established.

(3) The work of the working groups shall be governed by the provisions of the Decision on the system of coordination, the Decision on the establishment of working groups for European Integration (Official Gazette of BiH, 34/17) and the Rules of Procedure of the working groups for European integration.

**Article 3
(Working Group for Political Criteria)**

(1) The Working Group for political criteria shall be composed of representatives from the competent institutions from all levels of government in Bosnia and Herzegovina that have been identified in accordance with Article 9 paragraph 4 of the Decision on the system of coordination as follows: Parliamentary Assembly of BiH, Presidency of BiH, Ministry of Civil Affairs of BiH, Ministry of Finance and Treasury of BiH, Ministry of Communications and Transport of BiH, Ministry of Justice of BiH, Ministry of Security of BiH, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of BiH, Ministry of Human rights and Refugees of BiH, Ministry of Defence of BiH, the Constitutional Court of BiH, the High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council of BiH, the Court of BiH, the Prosecutor's Office of BiH, the Civil Service Agency of BiH, the Agency for Identification Documents, Registers and Data Exchange of BiH, the Public Procurement Agency of BiH, the Agency for the Prevention of Corruption and Coordination of the Fight against Corruption, Gender Equality Agency of BiH, the Agency for Statistics of BiH, the Personal Data Protection Agency of BiH, Central Harmonisation Units, Central Election Commission of BiH, Directorate for European Integration, Directorate for Economic Planning of the Council of Ministers of BiH, the General Secretariat of the Council of Ministers of BiH, the Institution of Ombudsman for Human Rights in BiH, the Commission for Conflict of Interest, the Communications Regulatory Agency of BiH, Public Administration Reform Coordinator's Office, Audit Office of BiH Institutions, the Legislative Office of the Council of Ministers of BiH, the FBiH Ministry of Justice, House of Representatives of the FBiH, the House of Peoples of the FBiH, General Secretariat of the FBiH Government, the FBiH Government Office for Legislation and

Alignment with the EU acquis, Office of the FBiH Government for European Integration, the FBiH Ministry of Finance, the FBiH Ministry of Education and Science ¹, the FBiH Ministry of Labour and Social Policy, the FBiH Ministry of the Internal Affairs, the FBiH Ministry of Displaced Persons and Refugees, the FBiH Constitutional Court, the FBiH Supreme Court, the FBiH Prosecutor's Office, the FBiH Attorney's Office, the FBiH Development Programming Bureau, the FBiH Civil Service Agency, the Anti-Corruption Team of the FBiH Government, the Gender Centre of the FBiH, the FBiH Judicial and Prosecutorial Training Centre, Office for Audit of the FBiH Institutions, FBiH Tax Administrations, FBiH Ministry of Transport and Communications, FBiH Financial Information Agency, FBiH Ministry of Physical Planning, FBiH Ministry of Health, the FBiH Administration for Geodetic and Property Affairs, FBiH Fund for Professional Rehabilitation and Employment of Disabled Persons, RS Ministry of Justice, RS Ministry of Internal Affairs, RS Ministry of Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation, RS Ministry of Administration and Local Self-Government, RS Ministry of Finance, RS Administration for Geodetic and Property Affairs, RS Secretariat for Legislation, RS Civil Service Agency, RS Centre for Investigation of War, War Crimes and Search for Missing Persons, RS Gender Centre, RS Investment Development Bank, RS Ombudsman for Children, RS Ministry of Education and Culture, RS Ministry of Labour and War Veterans and Disabled People's Protection, RS Ministry of Health and Social Protection, RS Ministry of Transport and Communications, RS Ministry of Spatial Planning, Construction and Ecology, RS Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports, RS Ministry for Refugees and Displaced Persons, the General Secretariat of the RS Government, RS Statistics Institute, RS Fund for Professional Rehabilitation and Employment of Disabled Persons, the RS Child Protection Public Fund, RS Radio-Television, the News Agency SRNA, the Office of the Una-Sana Canton Government, the Una-Sana Canton Assembly, the USC Ministry of Justice and Administration, the USC Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Posavina Canton Assembly, the PC Ministry of Justice and Administration, the PC Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Tuzla

Canton Ministry of Justice and Administration, the TC Ministry of Internal Affairs, The TC Assembly, the Zenica-Doboj Canton Ministry of Justice and Administration, the ZCD Legislative Secretariat, technical services of the ZDC Government, Technical Services of the ZDC Assembly, the ZDC technical services for development and international projects, ZDC Ministry of Finance, the ZDC Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Bosnia-Podrinje Canton Assembly, the BPC Government, the Central Bosnia Canton Office for European integration, Funding, Public Relations and Quality according to the International Standard, HNC Ministry of Justice, Administration and Local Self-Government, Herzegovina-Neretva Canton Ministry for War Veterans, HNC Ministry of Internal Affairs, Technical Services of the West Herzegovina Canton Government, WHC Assembly, WHC Ministry of Justice and Administration, WHC Ministry of Internal Affairs, WHC Ministry of Finance, Technical Services for Joint Affairs of the Sarajevo Canton, SC Ministry of Justice and Administration, SC Ministry of Finance, SC Assembly, SC Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Office of the Prime Minister of the Canton 10, the Assembly of Canton 10, the Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Canton 10, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Canton 10, the Office of the Coordinator of the Brčko District of BiH in the Council of Ministers of BiH, the BD BiH Judicial Commission and the Police of the BD BiH.

(2) The Working Group for Political Criteria has a chairman and two deputies who rotate every six months in the following order: Directorate for European Integration, FBiH Ministry of Justice and the RS Ministry of Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation.

Article 4 **(Working Group for Economic Criteria)**

(1) The Working Group for Economy Criteria shall be composed of representatives from the competent institutions from all levels of authority in BiH that have been identified in accordance with Article 9 paragraph 4 of the Decision on the system of coordination as follows: Ministry of Finance and Treasury of BiH, the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations of BiH, the Ministry of Communications and Transport of BiH, the Ministry of Civil Affairs of BiH, the Agency for Statistics of BiH, Insurance Agency in BiH, Labour and Employment Agency of BiH, Foreign Investment Promotion Agency of BiH, the Central Bank of BiH, Directorate for Economic Planning of the Council of Ministers of BiH, the General Secretariat of the Council of Ministers of BiH, the Institute for Intellectual Property of BiH, the Institute for Metrology of BiH, Indirect Taxation Authority of BiH, State Aid Council of BiH, the Competition Council of BiH, Independent System Operator in BiH, the Institute for Standardization of BiH, Directorate for European Integration, the FBiH Institute for Development Programming, FBiH Ministry of Finance, FBiH Ministry of Development, Entrepreneurship and Crafts, FBiH Ministry of Energy, Mining and Industry, FBiH Ministry of Environment and Tourism, FBiH Ministry of Agriculture, Water Management and Forestry, FBiH Ministry of Justice, FBiH Ministry of Culture and Sport², FBiH Ministry of Education and Science³, FBiH Ministry of Trade, FBiH Ministry of Spatial Planning, FBiH Ministry of Labour and Social Policy, FBiH Ministry of Transport and Communications, the Banking Agency of the FBiH, FBiH Securities Commission, FBiH Insurance Supervision Agency, the FBiH Privatisation Agency, the FBiH Agency for Revision of Privatisation, the FBiH Tax Administration, the FBiH Employment Bureau, FBiH Statistics Institute, Financial Information Agency, Office of the FBiH Government for European Integration,

the RS Ministry of Finance, the RS Ministry of Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation, the General Secretariat of the RS Government, the RS Ministry of Science and Technology, the RS Ministry of Labour and War Veterans and Disabled People's Protection, the RS Ministry of Education and Culture, the RS Ministry of Administration and Local Self-Government, the Ministry of Trade and Tourism, the RS Ministry of Transport and Communications, the RS Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining, the RS Ministry of Justice, the RS Tax Administration, RS Institute of Statistics, the RS Employment Bureau, the RS Banking Agency, RS Insurance Agency, RS Agency for Intermediary, IT and Financial Services, RS Securities Commission, RS Investment Development Bank, RS Pension and Disability Insurance Fund, RS Health Insurance Fund, the Ministry of Finance of the Una-Sana Canton (USC), the USC Ministry of Economy, Privatisation Agency of the Posavina Canton (PC), PC Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining of the Tuzla Canton (TC), the TC Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Transport, the TC Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Economy of the Zenica-Doboj Canton (ZDC), the ZDC Privatisation Agency, the ZDC Ministry of Finance, the ZDC Ministry of Justice and Administration, Ministry of Economy of the Ministry of Economy of Bosnian-Podrinje Canton (BPC), the BPC Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Economy of the Central Bosnia Canton (CBC), the CBC Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Economy of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton (HNC), HNC Privatisation Agency, Ministry of Finance of the West Herzegovina Canton (WHC), the WHC Privatisation Agency, the Ministry of Economy of the Sarajevo Canton (SC), the SC Ministry of Justice and Administration, the Ministry of Finance of the Canton 10, the Privatisation Agency of Canton 10, the Department of Economic Development, Sports and Culture and the Directorate for Finance of the Brčko District of BiH, the Securities Commission of the Brčko District of BiH.

(2) The Working Group for Economic Criteria has a chairman and two deputies who rotate every six months in the following order: FBiH Development Programming Institute, the RS Ministry of Finance and Directorate for Economic Planning of BiH.

Article 5 **(Working Group for Public Administration Reform)**

(1) The Working Group for Public Administration Reform shall be composed of representatives from the competent institutions from all levels of authority in BiH that have been identified in accordance with Article 9 paragraph 4 of the Decision on the system of coordination as follows: BiH Public Administration Reform Coordinator Office, Directorate for European Integration of the Council of Ministers of BiH, Ministry of Justice of BiH, Ministry of Finance and Treasury of BiH, Ministry of Communications and Transport of BiH, the General Secretariat of the Council of Ministers of BiH, the Legislative Office of the Council of Ministers of BiH, Directorate for Economic Planning of the Council of Ministers of BiH, Institution of Ombudsman for Human rights in BiH, Institute for Standardization of BiH, Civil Service Agency of BiH, Civil Service Board of BiH, the Court of BiH, FBiH Ministry of Justice, FBiH Ministry of Finance, FBiH Ministry of Transport and Communications, the General Secretariat of the FBiH Government, FBiH Civil Service Agency, Office of the Government of FBiH for Legislation and Harmonisation with EU Law, Office of the FBiH Government for European Integration, FBiH Institute for

Development Programming, Office of the FBiH Government for Public Relations, the FBiH Institute for Public Administration, the RS Ministry of Administration and Local Self-Government, the RS Ministry of Justice, the RS Ministry of Finance, the RS Ministry of Internal Affairs, the RS Ministry of Industry and Energy, RS Ministry of Spatial Planning, Construction and Ecology, the RS Ministry of Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation, the RS Administration for Inspection Affairs, the RS Civil Service Agency, the RS Agency for Information Society, General Secretariat of the RS Government, Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Una-Sana Canton, the Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Posavina Canton, the Government of Posavina Canton, Ministry of Justice and Administration of Tuzla Canton, Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Zenica - Dobož Canton, Secretariat for Legislation of the Zenica-Dobož Canton, Technical Service of the Government of Zenica-Dobož Canton, the Ministry of Finance of the Zenica-Dobož Canton, Ministry of Justice, Administration and Labour Relations of the Bosnia-Podrinje Canton, Ministry of Justice and Administration of Central Bosnia Canton, the Ministry of Justice, Administration and Local Self-Government of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton, the Legislative Office of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton, Ministry of Justice and Administration of the West Herzegovina Canton, Technical Service of the Government of West Herzegovina Canton, Technical Service for Joint Affairs of the Sarajevo Canton, the Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Sarajevo Canton, the Ministry of Justice and Administration of Canton 10 and Coordinator for Public Administration Reform of the Brčko District of BiH.

(2) The Working Group for the PAR has a chairman and two deputies who rotate every six months in the following order: RS Ministry of Public Administration and Local Self-Government, BiH Public Administration Reform Coordinator Office and the FBiH Ministry of Justice.

Article 6 **(Entry into force)**

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption and it shall be published in the Official Gazette of BiH.

VM number: 88/17
12 May 2017 Sarajevo

Chairman
of the Council of Ministers of BiH
Denis Zvizdić, m.p.

¹ In accordance with the ruling of the FBiH Constitutional Court and the law governing the status and competence of the FBiH Ministry of Education and Science, the Ministry has the role of observer and has no influence on the existence of a quorum, no voting rights and may not preside over the working groups.

² In accordance with the ruling of the FBiH Constitutional Court and the law governing the status and competence of the FBiH Ministry of Culture and Sport, the Ministry has the role of observer and has no influence on the existence of a quorum, no voting rights and may not preside over the working groups.

³ In accordance with the ruling of the FBiH Constitutional Court and the law governing the status and competence of the FBiH Ministry of Education and Science, the Ministry has the role of observer and has no influence on the existence of a quorum, no voting rights and may not preside over the working groups.