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WORKSHOP ON DRAFTED ANALYSIS OF POLICY CO-ORDINATION IN NORTH MACEDONIA

28-29 September 2021

Provisional Programme and Agenda

Location: TBC

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Background

In order to enable governments to plan and execute well-defined policies it is essential to ensure that a policy development cycle is well-structured and comprehensively established.

The complexity of governance can be seen as the need for the interlinking various problems and policies faced by governments. Therefore, the policy co-ordination is more and more important topic for improvement. This is led by need to ensure whole-of-government co-ordination in order to mitigate and diminish objectively existing divergences between sectoral priorities and policies.

Governments of Western Balkan countries have developed important steps in establishing basic legal and institutional framework for improved co-ordination of various public policies. Beside this, the policy co-ordination includes the specific structures, responsibilities, mandates and capacities of these structures to carry out these responsibilities. Obviously, the governments still need to develop (and implement) more effective and inclusive methodological frameworks, institutional mechanisms to address policy interactions and co-ordination across sectors within the government.

ReSPA Programme of work 2020-2021 defined the objective to contribute to more efficient implementation of public administration reform in the region by strengthening policy co-ordination, especially the co-ordination among PAR and PFM strategies. Following that, in 2020 ReSPA engaged an international expert to develop the Analytical paper on Policy Co-ordination in Western Balkans. The study is available on ReSPA web site: <https://www.respaweb.eu/25/research#par-7>.

As a follow up of this study, ReSPA engaged six national experts to develop specific analyses on policy co-ordination in each of Western Balkan countries. Their tasks are to present the strategic, legal and institutional aspects of coordination of public policies, with thoroughly explained the role of the most relevant public administration institutions in improvement of co-ordination among public policies. The important segment of these analyses is the set of policy recommendations.

Magdalena Shaldeva, as engaged expert for study on policy coordination processes in North Macedonia, drafted this analytical document, and the presentation and discussion on it will be organized at the upcoming workshop which will be held on 28-29 September 2021 in Ohrid.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

DAY I: Monday, 27 September 2021

Afternoon/ evening	<i>Arrival of participants</i>
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DAY II: Tuesday, 28 September 2021

09.00 – 09.30	Welcoming speech and introduction of ReSPA focuses on policy coordination <i>Dragan Djurić, Programme Manager Coordinator, ReSPA</i> <i>Gentian Xhaxhiu, Programme Manager – Legal, ReSPA</i>
09.30 – 09.45	Opening of the workshop by setting the agenda and introduction of all participants <i>Dragan Djurić, Programme Manager Coordinator, ReSPA</i> <i>all participants</i>
09.45 – 11.00	Session 1: Development of the legislative and institutional framework for policy coordination in North Macedonia <i>Magdalena Shaldeva, External ReSPA Expert</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
11.00 – 11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30 – 13.00	Session 2: Assessment: How international organizations see state of play of Policy coordination in North Macedonia <i>Magdalena Shaldeva, External ReSPA Expert</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
13.00 – 14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
14.30 – 15.45	Session 3: Alignment between policy and budget planning <i>Magdalena Shaldeva, External ReSPA Expert</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
15.45 – 16.15	<i>Coffee break</i>

16.15 – 17.00	Session 4: Coordination of PAR and PFM strategies <i>Magdalena Shaldeva, External ReSPA Expert</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
17.00 – 17.10	Wrap-up and closing of Day I
19.30	<i>Social event</i>

DAY III: Wednesday, 29 September 2021

09.00 – 09.10	<i>Recap of Day I</i>
09.10 – 10.00	The coordination role of the Centre of the Government in North Macedonia <i>Magdalena Shaldeva, External ReSPA Expert</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
10.00 – 10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
10.30 – 11.20	Session 5: Recommendations for the improvement the mechanism for policy coordination <i>Magdalena Shaldeva, External ReSPA Expert</i> <i>Followed by questions, answers and discussion</i>
11.20 – 12.10	Session 6: Facilitated discussion on the improvement of the mechanism for policy coordination <i>Gentian Xhaxhiu, Programme Manager - Legal, ReSPA</i>
12.10 – 13.00	Session 7: Policy Co-ordination and enhancing evidence based policy making process in North Macedonia
13.00 – 14.30	<i>Lunch</i>
14.30 – 15.15	Closing discussion further plans and potentials for progress <i>Dragan Djurić, Programme Manager Coordinator, ReSPA</i> <i>Gentian Xhaxhiu, Programme Manager – Legal, ReSPA</i>
15.15	<i>End fo the workshop</i>