



LATVIJAS REPUBLIKAS FISKĀLĀS DISCIPLĪNAS PADOME

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Council meeting minutes No 5 (31)

Rīga

28 November 2018

Chairman:

Chairman of Fiscal Discipline Council – J.Platais

Participants of the meeting:

Deputy Chairman of Fiscal Discipline Council	I.Eriņš
Member of Fiscal Discipline Council	M.Hansen
Member of Fiscal Discipline Council (teleconference mode)	Ū.Kaasik
Member of Fiscal Discipline Council	I.Šteinbuka
Member of Fiscal Discipline Council	A.Ūbelis
<i>Secretariat –</i>	
Fiscal Discipline Council secretary	D.Kalsone
Fiscal Discipline Council fiscal risks expert	V.Miglinieks
Fiscal Discipline Council economist	E.Lucka

Invited participant to the meeting agenda #2 and #3:

Ministry of Finance, Director of Fiscal Policy Department	N.Sakss
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Taking minutes:

Fiscal Discipline Council economist

E.Lucka

Meeting starts at 15:00

J.Platais opens the meeting

Fiscal Discipline Council (Council) chairman J.Platais opens the meeting and announces the agenda (annexed, incl. meeting presentation).

1 Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

Reporter: J.Platais

Decision:

1.1 Approve 20 September 2018 Council meeting minutes.

I.Eriņš votes for;

M.Hansen votes for;

Ū.Kaasik votes for;

J.Platais votes for;
A.Ūbelis votes for.

2 Discussions on State interim budget for 2019

Reporter: J.Platais

J.Platais reports about today's [28 November 2018] Saeima Budget (finance) and tax committee meeting on the state budget preparation process, incl. about the need to fix the maximum budget expenditure ceilings.

Discussion on State interim budget for 2019.

Decision:

2.1 To invite the Chairman of the Council to submit the Council's opinion to the Saeima Budget (finance) and tax committee, the Cabinet of Ministers and the Ministry of Finance regarding proposals for the amendments to the Law on Budget and finance management.

I.Eriņš votes for;
M.Hansen votes for;
Ū.Kaasik votes for;
J.Platais votes for;
I.Šteinbuka votes for;
A.Ūbelis votes for.

3 Current macroeconomics and fiscal framework

Discussion on current Latvian and European Union macroeconomics and fiscal framework.

Decision:

3.1 Take note of the updated information according to the latest forecasts on the macroeconomic and fiscal framework of Latvia and the European Union.

I.Eriņš votes for;
M.Hansen votes for;
Ū.Kaasik votes for;
J.Platais votes for;
I.Šteinbuka votes for;
A.Ūbelis votes for.

4 GDP working group issues

Reporter: J.Platais, I.Šteinbuka, M.Hansen

J.Platais reports that the potential and nominal gross domestic product assessment working group, after Mārtiņš Kazāks left the Council for the Council of the Bank of Latvia, works at part-composition and invites the member of the Council, Inna Šteinbuka, to work in this working group. Morten Hansen was confirmed as the Head of the working group.

Decision:

4.1 To approve the new composition of the Council's potential and nominal gross domestic product assessment working group.

I.Eriņš votes for;
 M.Hansen votes for;
 Ü.Kaasik votes for;
 J.Platais votes for;
 I.Šteinbuka votes for;
 A.Ūbelis votes for.

5 Fiscal risks expert issues

Reporter: J.Platais, V.Miglinieks

Information on extension of the contract with a fiscal risks expert in 2019.

Decision:

5.1 To ask the Council secretary to conclude the agreement with Viktors Miglinieks on the work of a fiscal risk expert in 2019.

I.Eriņš votes for;
 M.Hansen votes for;
 Ü.Kaasik votes for;
 J.Platais votes for;
 I.Šteinbuka votes for;
 A.Ūbelis votes for.

6 Technical secretariat issues

Reporter: D.Kalsone

6.1 EU Independent Fiscal Institutions network (NIFI) secretariat issues

Decision:

6.1.1 To support the EU NIFI rotating secretariat option, incl. shared funding from each council.

I.Eriņš votes for;
 M.Hansen votes for;
 Ü.Kaasik votes for;
 J.Platais votes for;
 I.Šteinbuka votes for;
 A.Ūbelis votes for.

6.2 Council Secretariat 2019 priorities

Decision:

6.2.1 To support the strengthening the quality of the mandate of the Council and development of the fiscal impact assessment of the Government Coalition declaration.

I.Eriņš votes for;
 M.Hansen votes for;
 Ü.Kaasik votes for;
 J.Platais votes for;
 I.Šteinbuka votes for;

A.Ūbelis votes for.

6.3 Procurement plan for 2018 (updated)

Decision:

6.3.1 To approve the Council updated procurement plan for 2018.

I.Eriņš votes for;
M.Hansen votes for;
Ū.Kaasik votes for;
J.Platais votes for;
I.Šteinbuka votes for;
A.Ūbelis votes for.

6.4 Council meetings calendar 2019.

Decision:

6.4.1 To approve the meetings calendar for 2019.

I.Eriņš votes for;
M.Hansen votes for;
Ū.Kaasik votes for;
J.Platais votes for;
I.Šteinbuka votes for;
A.Ūbelis votes for.

6.5 Business trip plan for 2019

Decision:

6.5.1 To approve the business trip plan for 2019.

I.Eriņš votes for;
M.Hansen votes for;
Ū.Kaasik votes for;
J.Platais votes for;
I.Šteinbuka votes for;
A.Ūbelis votes for.

6.6 Council budget execution till 28 November 2018.

D.Kalsone reports on the Council's budget execution till 28 November 2018 in total of 89.9%.

Decision:

6.6.1 Take note of information on the Council's budget execution.

I.Eriņš votes for;
M.Hansen votes for;
Ū.Kaasik votes for;
J.Platais votes for;
I.Šteinbuka votes for;

A.Ūbelis votes for.

The meeting was adjourned at 17:00.

Council Chairman

J.Platais

Meeting Secretary

E.Lucka

Visa: Council Secretary

D.Kalsone

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