



LATVIJAS REPUBLIKAS FISKĀLĀS DISCIPLĪNAS PADOME

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Council meeting minutes No 6 (38)

Rīga

14 November 2019

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	I.Šteinbuka
Member of Fiscal Discipline Council	Ū.Kaasik
Member of Fiscal Discipline Council (teleconference mode)	A.Ūbelis
<i>Secretariat –</i>	
Fiscal Discipline Council secretary	I.Golsts
Fiscal Discipline Council macroeconomic expert	V.Zaremba
Fiscal Discipline Council fiscal risks expert	N.Malnačs
Fiscal Discipline Council economist	I.Jansone

Invited persons:

Associate Professor of SSE Riga and Director of the Center for Sustainable Business	A.Sauka
Head of the Market and Public Opinion Research Center SKDS	A.Kaktiņš

Taking minutes:

Fiscal Discipline Council economist

I.Jansone

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 26 September 2019 Council meeting minutes.

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

2 Fiscal discipline 2020 research priorities – Fiscal Sustainability Report and Tax Reform

Reporter: J.Platais

Researching the target of tax reform and preparing a fiscal sustainability report could be priorities for the Fiscal Discipline Research 2020.

In view of the above, it is necessary to make entries in the Council's work plan for 2020, supplementing it with the research topics mentioned and the authors and deadlines for their development.

Tax Reform Goals - Normunds Malnach - February 2020

Fiscal Sustainability Report - Victoria Zaremba - June 2020

Professor Arnis Sauka attends the council meeting to discuss the research conducted to determine the size of the shadow economy and the impact of the shadow economy on a tax reform study. Discussion on the impact of the shadow economy on the development of the Latvian economy.

A.Kaktiņš, Head of the Market and Public Opinion Research Center SKDS, also takes part in the discussion and presents a public opinion poll on state budget discipline.

Discussion of the public on the possibilities of public surveys.

Decision:

- 2.1. Take note of the proposal for the preparation of a fiscal sustainability report and study of the purpose of tax reform.
- 2.2. Approve the amendments to the Council's work plan for 2020.

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

3 Strategy of the Fiscal Discipline Council 2019-2021

I.Golsts reports that according to the current situation (as a result of the change of Council members), the Council's operational strategy has been amended. Mr. Golsts also informs that paragraph 6.6 of the Council's operational strategy has been amended as follows (see Annex):

Decision:

- 3.1. Approve the renewed Council Strategy for 2019-2021.

I.Eriņš for;
 M.Hansen for;
 I.Šteinbuka for;

Ü.Kaasik for;
 J.Platais for;
 A.Übelis for.

4 Administrative issues

Reporter: I.Golsts

4.1. Procurement plan for 2019 (updated) and procurement plan for 2020.

I.Golsts reports that the procurement plan for 2019 has been supplemented by two new procurements organized by the Ministry of Finance and joined by the Council:

Foreign trips organization service with Averoja Ltd., effective from September 1, 2019 and valid for 36 months with contract price of 34000 EUR without VAT and provision of labor protection service with Sunstar Group Ltd., effective as of 02 February 2019 on September 02, 2019 and is valid until November 2, 2019 with a contract price of 220 EUR excluding VAT.

I.Golsts reports that in 2020, purchases will mainly be made through the electronic procurement system or by conducting price surveys (market research), as well as using the invitation of the Ministry of Finance to join their organized procurement - health insurance and mobile communication services.

Decision:

4.1.1. Approve the updated Council Procurement Plan for 2019 and the Procurement Plan for 2020.

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

4.2. Council meeting plan for 2020.

Decision:

4.2.1 Approve the Council meeting agenda for 2020 and instruct the Council Secretary to adjust as necessary.

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

4.3. Business Trips for 2020.

Decision:

4.3.1. Approve the Council business trips for 2020 and instruct the Council Secretary to adjust as necessary.

I.Eriņš for;
 M.Hansen for;

I.Šteinbuka for;
Ū.Kaasik for;
J.Platais for;
A.Ūbelis for.

The meeting closed on November 14, 2019. 17:00.

Council Chairman

J.Platais

Meeting Secretary

I.Jansone

Approval: Council Secretary

I.Golsts

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