Pursuant to Article 31 item 1 of the Law on the Government (the Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia, no. 55/05, 71/05 - amended, 65/08 and 16/11,

the Government hereby promulgates

# DECREE ON ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AUDIT AUTHORITY OFFICE OF EU FUNDS

### Contents of the Decree Article 1

This Decree establishes Audit Authority Office of EU Funds (hereinafter: the Office) and prescribes its organization and scope.

The Office is a Government Service.

## Scope of work Article 2

The Office performs professional activities for the needs of the Government, in cooperation with other government bodies, with regard to audit and confirmation of compliance of the implementation system of the European Union programmes where accountability for management has been transferred to the Republic of Serbia, in line with commitments assumed under the Framework Agreement between the European Commission and the Government of the Republic of Serbia on Rules of cooperation related to financial assistance of the European Commission to the Republic of Serbia within implementation of the assistance in line with the IPA rules (the Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia, No. 124/07) and in the manner defined by that Agreement, within establishment of the decentralised management system for EU funds needed for realization of programmes and projects financed from EU funds.

The Office also perfroms other activities related to verification of effective and stable functioning of the EU funds management system.

#### Director of the Office Article 3

The Office is managed by the Director who is appointed by the Government for a five-year period, at the proposal of the Prime Minister.

The Office Director is accountable to the Government and the Prime Minister.

The Office Director is a civil servant in office.

The Office Director may be assigned with a Deputy, at his own proposal, who is appointed by the Government for a 5 year period.

The Deputy Director assists the Office Director within the powers he is assigned with and acts in his name if the Director is absent or prevented to perform his duties.

The Deputy Director is a civil servant in office.

### Deadline for adoption of a Rulebook Article 4

The Office Director shall promulgate a Rulebook on internal organization and classification of job positions in the Office within 30 days from the day of his appointment.

# Entry into force Article 5

This Decree shall enter into force on the eighth day from the day of its publishing in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia.

05 Number: In Belgrade,

#### **GOVERNMENT**

PRIME MINISTER