



Montenegro
Ministry of European Affairs
Ministry of Finance



ANNEX B: DECLARATION OF ASSURANCE

I, the undersigned, Gorčević Maida, in my capacity as Coordinator and Adžić Milica, in my capacity as deputy Coordinator

Declare that, for the implementation of the Union financial assistance to Montenegro under the Facility for the period 2024-2027, based on my own judgement and on the information at my disposal, in particular the results from the national control and audit systems described in the Reform Agenda:

1. The information submitted with the Request for the release of funds is complete, accurate and reliable; duly justifying that the qualitative and quantitative steps have been satisfactorily fulfilled and that the audit trail demonstrating the achievement of these steps is in place.
2. The control systems in place give the necessary assurances that the financing provided has been used in accordance with all applicable rules, in particular on the prevention, detection and correction of fraud, corruption, conflicts of interests and irregularities.
3. The arrangements in place give the necessary assurance that the financing provided has not resulted in double funding from the Facility and other Union programmes or instruments, as well as other donors.

A summary of the national audits carried out in relation to 1 to 3 above, with an analysis of the related weaknesses found and the corrective actions taken or planned, complements this declaration of assurance. In the accompanying summary of the audits, no breaches in terms of fraud, corruption or conflicts of interests have been detected.

Where necessary, deficiencies in the control system highlighted in those reports will be adequately followed up.

Finally, I confirm that I am not aware of any undisclosed reputational matter related to the implementation of the programme.

Podgorica,

Gorčević Maida

MINISTER/
COORDINATOR FOR REFORM
AGENDA 2024-2027

Podgorica,

Adžić Milica

STATE SECRETARY/
DEPUTY COORDINATOR FOR
REFORM AGENDA 2024-2027