## Annex 2

### Flow-chart of the main stages of the EIA procedure according to proposed amendments to the Law on EIE

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<th>Affected country</th>
<th>National procedure</th>
<th>Country of origin</th>
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<td><strong>Article 6</strong></td>
<td>Proponent, who intends to implement any activity listed in p.1 Art.4, notifies the authorized body.</td>
<td>Notifies the affected Country; requests information about public participation procedure and other additional information.</td>
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<td>Authorized body informs the administration of community likely to be affected.</td>
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<td>Administration of community likely to be affected and proponent publish notification in mass-media and inform about place and timeframe for comments.</td>
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<td>15 days (from the date of publication)</td>
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<td>Period for comments. Comments shall be submitted to the administration of community.</td>
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<td>Administration of community collects and provides public comments as well as its own opinion to the proponent and to the authorized body.</td>
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<td>Authorized body decides about necessity of the EIE &gt; develops the Terms of Reference (defines scope of assessment, content of the EIA report )</td>
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<td><strong>Article 7</strong></td>
<td>Proponent develops EIA documentation and submits it to the authorized body.</td>
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*Appendix 2*
After the receipt of documentation the authorized body sends it to the regional administration, to the administration the affected community, to the relevant state body and to the authorized persons (experts).

In 5 working days

Administration of the affected community publishes mass media notification of times and places that documentation is available for inspection, instructions for comments, and places and dates of the public hearings.

30 days from the date of publication *(Can be extended. Category A for 30 d., B for 15 d.)*

The authorized body, the administration of the affected community and the proponent within 30 calendar days organize and ensure public inspection of the documentation and the public hearings (public hearings - not earlier than 15 days after publication).

In 5 working days

Administration of the affected community submits the public comments received and their own opinion to the authorized body.

**Article 8**

In 5 working days

After the receipt of documentation the authorized body sends it to the affected State.

Consultations

Preparation of the expert (professional) conclusion

Authorized body sends the EIA documentation to the affected State.

60 days*

Comments on the EIA documentation shall be sent to the authorized body.

Article 9

In 5 working days

After the close of the comment period, all comments from the public, the administration of the affected community, the relevant state bodies and, *in case of transboundary impact, comments and other results of transboundary consultations*, the authorized body transmits all to the authorized persons (experts).

In 10 working days *(Can be extended. Category A for 60 d., B for 30 d., C for 10 d.)*

Authorised persons (experts) after the receipt of comments elaborate (finalise) the expert opinion (professional conclusion) and provide it to the authorised body.
**Article 10**
In 30 days

After the receipt of the expert opinion, the authorized body organizes the public hearings on the professional conclusion, the public opinion, the opinion of the administration of the affected community and relevant state bodies.

- At least 15 days prior to the event, the authorized body makes a written notification to the proponent, the administration of the region and the administration of the affected community, relevant state bodies and authorized persons about the date and venue of the public hearings and publishes a mass-media announcement for the public.

**Article 11**
In 15 working days (Cat.A), 10 w.d. (Cat.B), 5 w.d. (Cat.C)

Authorized body makes a decision on the issuance of the EIE conclusion based on the professional conclusion, results of public hearings and, in case of transboundary impact, results of consultations.

- In case of transboundary impact the conclusion shall be approved by the Government.

In 5 working days

The EIE conclusion provided to the State of origin along with the reasons and considerations on which it was based.

The EIE conclusion is published with written notification to stakeholders.

The EIE conclusion provided to the affected State along with the reasons and considerations on which it was based.

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* If other is not defined according to bilateral or multilateral agreements or other arrangements to implement Espoo Convention obligations.

** If other arrangements are not agreed upon with the competent authority of the State of origin or if they are not defined according to bilateral or multilateral agreements, the EIA documentation shall be examined according to the procedure of this law (Art.8-11).

*** If notification has no indication of time for response or it is otherwise not defined according to bilateral or multilateral agreements or other arrangements to implement the obligations under the Espoo Convention.