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#### **PROPOSAL**

From:	Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Mr Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU, Director
То:	Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
No. Cion doc.:	COM(2018) 258 final
Subject:	ANNEX to the Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union, in the Association Committee meeting in trade configuration established by the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other, concerning the update of Annex III (Approximation) concerning rules applicable to standardisation, accreditation, conformity assessment, technical regulation and metrology, and Annex XVI (Public Procurement) to the Agreement

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#### **Proposal for a Council Decision**

on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union, in the Association Committee meeting in trade configuration established by the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other, concerning the update of Annex III (Approximation) concerning rules applicable to standardisation, accreditation, conformity assessment, technical regulation and metrology, and Annex XVI (Public Procurement) to the Agreement

#### **ATTACHMENT**

#### **DRAFT**

## DECISION No 1/2018 OF THE EU-GEORGIA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE IN TRADE CONFIGURATION

#### of ...2018

#### updating Annex III-A to the Association Agreement

#### THE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE IN TRADE CONFIGURATION.

Having regard to the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part, signed in Brussels on 16 June 2014, and in particular Article 47 thereof,

#### Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 431 of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part ('the Agreement'), the Agreement, entered into force on 1 July 2016.
- (2) Article 47 of the Agreement provides that Georgia shall gradually achieve approximation with the relevant Union *acquis* in accordance with the provisions of Annex III-A and Annex III-B to the Agreement and that the Association committee may amend Annex III-A to the agreement by decision.
- (3) Several Union acts listed in Annex III-A to the Agreement have been recast or repealed and replaced by new Union acts since the initialling of the Agreement on 29 November 2013 and new Union acts have been notified to Georgia.
- (4) It is necessary to update Annex III-A to the Agreement in order to reflect the evolution of the Union *acquis* listed in that Annex. In the interest of clarity, Annex III-A to the Agreement should be updated in its entirety.
- (5) It is appropriate to provide for a period to Georgia in order to implement the new Union acts in its domestic legislation. Accordingly, new deadlines for approximation of Georgia to the Union acts listed in Annex III-A are indicated therein,

#### HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

Annex III-A, to the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part, is hereby replaced as set out in the Appendix to this Decision.

#### Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done at ..., ...

For the Association Committee in Trade configuration

#### UPDATE OF ANNEX III-A TO THE ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

Annex III-A is hereby replaced and shall read as follows:

#### LIST OF SECTORAL LEGISLATION FOR APPROXIMATION

The below list reflects Georgia's priorities with regard to approximation of EU's New Approach and Global Approach Directives as included in the Government of Georgia's Strategy in Standardisation, Accreditation, Conformity Assessment, Technical Regulation and Metrology and Programme on Legislative Reform and Adoption of Technical Regulations, of March 2010.

1.	Regulation (EU) 2016/424 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March
	2016 on cableway installations and repealing Directive 2000/9/EC <sup>1</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
2.	Directive 2014/33/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February
	2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to lifts and safety components for lifts (recast) <sup>2</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
3.	Directive 2014/68/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014
	on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available
	on the market of pressure equipment (recast) <sup>3</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
4.	Council Directive 92/42/EEC of 21 May 1992 on efficiency requirements for new hot-
	water boilers fired with liquid or gaseous fuels <sup>4</sup>
	Timetable: during 2013
5.	Directive 2014/29/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February
	2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making
	available on the market of simple pressure vessels (recast) <sup>5</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
6.	Directive 2013/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 November
	2013 on recreational craft and personal watercraft and repealing Directive 94/25/EC <sup>6</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
7.	Commission Directive 2008/43/EC of 4 April 2008 setting up, pursuant to Council
	Directive 93/15/EEC, a system for the identification and traceability of explosives for
	civil uses <sup>7</sup>

OJ L 81, 31.3.2016, p. 1.



OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 251.

OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 164.

OJ L 167, 22.6.1992, p. 16.

oJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 45.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> OJ 1 354, 28.12.2013, p. 90.

8.	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
0.	Directive 2014/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres (recast) <sup>8</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
9.	Directive 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of radio equipment and repealing Directive 1999/5/EC <sup>9</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
10.	Directive 2014/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility (recast) <sup>10</sup>
	Timetable: within eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement
11.	Directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits (recast) <sup>11</sup>
	Timetable: within eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement
12.	Regulation (EU) 2017/745 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2017 on medical devices, amending Directive 2001/83/EC, Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 and Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 and repealing Council Directives 90/385/EEC and 93/42/EEC <sup>12</sup>
	Timetable: within eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement
13.	Regulation (EU) 2017/746 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2017 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices and repealing Directive 98/79/EC and Commission Decision 2010/227/EU <sup>13</sup> Timetable: within eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement
14.	Regulation (EU) 2016/426 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on appliances burning gaseous fuels and repealing Directive 2009/142/EC <sup>14</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
15.	Regulation (EU) 2016/425 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on personal protective equipment and repealing Council Directive 89/686/EEC <sup>15</sup>
	Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
16.	Directive 98/37/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 June 1998 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to machinery 16

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OJ L 94, 5.4.2008, p. 8.
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             OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 309.
OJ L 153, 22.5.2014, p. 62.
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<sup>10</sup> OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 79.

<sup>11</sup> OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 357.

<sup>12</sup> 

OJ L 117, 5.5.2017, p. 1. OJ L 117, 5.5.2017, p. 176. OJ L 81, 31.3.2016, p. 99. 13

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<sup>15</sup> OJ L 81, 31.3.2016, p. 51.

OJ L 207, 23.7.1998, p. 1.

Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
Directive 2009/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009 on the safety of toys <sup>17</sup>
Timetable: within five years after the entry into force of this Agreement
Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9
March 2011 laying down harmonized conditions for the marketing of construction products and repealing Council Directive 89/106/EEC <sup>18</sup>
Timetable: within eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement
Directive 2014/31/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of non-automatic weighing instruments (recast) <sup>19</sup>
Timetable: within eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement
Directive 2014/32/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February
2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making
available on the market of measuring instruments (recast) <sup>20</sup>
Timetable: within eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement

<sup>17</sup> OJ L 170, 30.6.2009, p. 1.

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OJ L 88, 4.4.2011, p. 5. OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 107. OJ L 96, 29.3.2014, p. 149. 19

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#### **DRAFT**

#### DECISION No 2/2018 OF THE EU-GEORGIA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE IN TRADE CONFIGURATION

#### of ...2018

#### updating Annex XVI to the Association Agreement

#### THE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE IN TRADE CONFIGURATION.

Having regard to the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part, signed in Brussels on 16 June 2014, and in particular Article 142, Article 146 and Article 408 thereof,

Having regard to Association Council Decision No. 3/2014 of 17 November 2014 on the delegation of certain powers by the Association Council to the Association Committee in trade Configuration<sup>21</sup>

#### Whereas:

- In accordance with Article 431 of the Association Agreement between the European (1) Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part ('the Agreement'), the Agreement, entered into force on 1 July 2016.
- (2) Article 142 of the Agreement provides that the value thresholds for public procurement contracts provided for in Annex XVI-A are to be revised regularly, beginning in the year of entry into force of the Agreement and such revision is to be adopted by decision of the Association Committee in Trade configuration.
- Article 406(3) of the Agreement provides that the EU-Georgia Association Council (3) shall have the power to update or amend the Annexes to the Agreement. The Association Council empowered the Association Committee in trade Configuration in its Decision No. 1/2014 of 17 November 2014 to update or amend certain trade-related annexes.
- Article 146 of the Agreement provides that Georgia is to ensure that its public (4) procurement legislation is gradually made compatible with the relevant Union acquis, in line with the schedule provided in Annex XVI-B to the Agreement.
- Several Union acts listed in Annex XVI to the Agreement have been recast or repealed (5) and replaced by a new Union act since the initialling of the Agreement on 29 November 2013 and new Union acts have been notified to Georgia:
  - Directive 2014/23/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the award of concession contracts<sup>22</sup>
  - Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 (b) February 2014 on public procurement and repealing Directive 2004/18/EC<sup>23</sup>

<sup>21</sup> OJ L 9, 5.1.2015, p. 31.

<sup>22</sup> OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 1. OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 65.

- (c) Directive 2014/25/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on procurement by entities operating in the water, energy, transport and postal services sectors and repealing Directive 2004/17/EC<sup>24</sup>
- (6) It is necessary to update Annex XVI to the Agreement in order to reflect the changes made to the Union *acquis* listed in that Annex, in accordance with Article 142, Article 146.
- (7) In the interest of clarity, Annex XVI should be updated in its entirety and replaced as set out in the Appendix to this Decision.

#### HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### Article 1

Annex XVI to the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part, is hereby replaced by the Annex set out in the Appendix to this Decision.

#### Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

Done at ..., ...

For the Association Committee in Trade configuration

The Chair

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OJ L 94, 28.3.2014, p. 243.

#### **Appendix**

## UPDATE OF ANNEX XVI TO THE AGREEMENT PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

#### ANNEX XVI-A

#### **THRESHOLDS**

- 1. The value thresholds mentioned in Article 142(3) of this Agreement shall be for both Parties:
  - (a) EUR 144.000 for public supply and service contracts awarded by central government authorities and design contests awarded by such authorities;
  - (b) EUR 221.000 in the case of public supply and public service contracts not covered by point a);
  - (c) EUR 5.548.000 in the case of public works contracts;
  - (d) EUR 5.548.000 in the case of works contracts in the utilities sector;
  - (e) EUR 5.548.000 in the case of concessions;
  - (f) EUR 443.000 in the case of supply and service contracts in the utilities sector;
  - (g) EUR 750.000 for public service contracts for social and other specific services;
  - (h) EUR 1.000.000 for service contracts for social and other specific services in the utilities sector.

#### **ANNEX XVI-B**

## INDICATIVE TIME SCHEDULE FOR INSTITUTIONAL REFORM, APPROXIMATION AND MARKET ACCESS

Phase		Indicative time schedule	Market access granted to the EU by Georgia	Market access granted to Georgia by the EU	
1	Implementation of Articles 143(2) and 144 of this Agreement Agreement of the Reform Strategy set out in Article 145 of this Agreement	Three years after the entry into force of this Agreement	Supplies for central government authorities	Supplies for central government authorities	
2	Approximation and implementation of basic elements of Directive 2014/24/EU and of Directive 89/665/EEC	Five years after the entry into force of this Agreement	Supplies for state, regional and local authorities and bodies governed by public law	Supplies for state, regional and local authorities and bodies governed by public law	Annexes XVI-C and XVI-D
3	Approximation and implementation of basic elements of Directive 2014/25/EU and of Directive 92 /13/EEC	Six years after the entry into force of this Agreement	Supplies for all contracting entities in the utilities sector	Supplies for all contracting entities	Annexes XVI-E and XVI-F
4	Approximation and implementation of other elements of Directive 2014/24/EU and of Directive 2014/23/EU	Seven years after the entry into force of this Agreement	Service and works contracts and concessions for all contracting authorities	Service and works contracts and concessions for all contracting authorities	Annexes XVI-G, XVI-H, and XVI-I
5	Approximation and implementation of other elements of Directive 2014/25/EU	Eight years after the entry into force of this Agreement	Service and works contracts for all contracting entities in the utilities sector	Service and works contracts for all contracting entities in the utilities sector	Annexes XVI-J, and XVI-K

#### **ANNEX XVI-C**

#### **BASIC ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/24/EU**

#### of 26 February 2014 on public procurement

(Phase 2)

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(13), (18), (19), (20), (22), (23), (24)

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Article 5 Methods for calculating the estimated value of procurement

#### Section 3 - Exclusions

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Article 8 Specific exclusions in the field of electronic communications

Article 9 Public contracts awarded and design contests organised pursuant to

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Article 10 Specific exclusions for service contracts

Article 11 Service contracts awarded on the basis of an exclusive right

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#### **BASIC ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 89/665/EEC**

of 21 December 1989 on the coordination of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the application of review procedures to the award of public supply and public works contracts (Directive 89/665/EEC)

as amended by Directive 2007/66/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2007 amending Council Directives 89/665/EEC and 92/13/EEC with regard to improving the effectiveness of review procedures concerning the award of public contracts (Directive 2007/66/EC) and by Directive 2014/23/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the award of concession contracts (Directive 2014/23/EU)<sup>25</sup>

(Phase 2)

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Georgian legislation implementing Annex XVI-D shall become effective with regard to review procedures relating to award of concessions (Directive 2014/23/EU) as from phase 4.

#### **ANNEX XVI-E**

#### **BASIC ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/25/EU**

#### of 26 February 2014 on procurement by entities operating in the water, energy, transport and postal services sectors

(Phase 3)

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#### **ANNEX XVI-F**

#### BASIC ELEMENTS OF COUNCIL DIRECTIVE 92/13/EEC

of 25 February 1992 coordinating the laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the application of Community rules on the procurement procedures of entities operating in the water, energy, transport and telecommunications sectors (Directive 92/13/EEC)

#### as amended by Directive 2007/66/EC and Directive 2014/23/EU<sup>26</sup>

(Phase 3)

Article 1	Scope and availability of review procedures
Article 2	Requirements for review procedures
Article 2a	Standstill period
Article 2b	Derogations from the standstill period Point (b) of the first paragraph of Article 2b
Article 2c	Time limits for applying for review
Article 2d	Ineffectiveness
	Paragraph 1 (b)
	Paragraphs 2 and 3
Article 2e	Infringements of this Directive and alternative penalties
Article 2f	Time limits

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Georgian legislation implementing Annex XVI-F shall become effective with regard to review procedures relating to award of concessions (Directive 2014/23/EU) as from phase 4.

#### **ANNEX XVI-G**

#### (Phase 4)

#### I. OTHER NON-MANDATORY ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/24/EU

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#### TITLE I

Scope, definitions and general principles

#### CHAPTER I

Scope and definitions

Section 1 – Subject-matter and definitions

Article 2 Definitions (paragraph 1, point (14), (16))

Article 20 Reserved contracts

#### CHAPTER II

Techniques and instruments for electronic and aggregated procurement

Article 37 Centralised purchasing activities and central purchasing bodies

#### **CHAPTER III**

Conduct of the procedure

Section 3 – Choice of participants and award of contracts

Article 64 Offical lists of approved economic operators and certification by bodies established under public or private law

#### TITLE III

Particular procurement regimes

#### CHAPTER I

Article 77 Reserved contracts for certain services

#### II. NON-MANDATORY ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/23/EU

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#### TITLE I

Subject matter, scope, principles and definitions

#### CHAPTER I

Scope, general principles and definitions

Section IV – Specific situations

#### **ANNEX XVI-H**

#### (Phase 4)

#### I. OTHER MANDATORY ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/24/EU

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Scope, definitions and general principles

#### CHAPTER I

Scope and definitions

Section 1 – Subject-matter and definitions

Article 2 Definitions (paragraph 1 point (21))

Article 22 Rules applicable to communication: paragraph 1

#### TITLE II

Rules on public contracts

#### CHAPTER I

#### Procedures

Article 26 Choice of procedures: paragraph 3, second alternative of paragraph 4

Article 30 Competitive dialogue

Article 31 Innovation Partnership

#### CHAPTER II

Techniques and instruments for electronic and aggregated procurement

Article 33 Framework agreements

Article 34 Dynamic purchasing systems

Article 35 Electronic auctions

Article 36 Electronic catalogues

Article 38 Occasional joint procurement

#### CHAPTER III

Conduct of the procedure

Section 2 – Publication and Transparency

Article 50 Contract award notices: paragraphs 2 and 3

#### TITLE III

Particular procurement regimes

#### **CHAPTER II**

Rules governing design contests

Article 78	Scope
Article 79	Notices
Article 80	Rules on the organisation of design contests and the selection of participants
Article 81	Composition of the jury
Article 82	Decisions of the jury
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ANNEX V	INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN NOTICES
	Part E: INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DESIGN CONTEST NOTICES (as referred to in Article 79(1))
	Part F: INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN NOTICES OF THE RESULTS OF A CONTEST (as referred to in Article 79(2))
ANNEX VI	INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROCUREMENT DOCUMENTS RELATING TO ELECTRONIC AUCTIONS (ARTICLE 35(4))
	II. MANDATORY ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/23/EU
TITLE I	
Subject matter	r, scope, principles and definitions
CHAPTER I	
Scope, genera	l principles and definitions
Section I – Su	bject-matter, scope, general principles, definitions and threshold
Article 1	Subject-matter and scope: paragraphs 1, 2 and 4
Article 2	Principle of free administration by public authorities
Article 3	Principle of equal treatment, non-discrimination and transparency
Article 4	Freedom to define services of general economic interest
Article 5	Definitions
Article 6	Contracting authorities: paragraphs 1 and 4
Article 7	Contracting entities
Article 8	Threshold and methods for calculating the estimated value of concessions
Section II - Ex	cclusions
Article 10	Exclusions applicable to concessions awarded by contracting authorities and contracting entities
Article 11	Specific exclusions in the field of electronic communications
Article 12	Specific exclusions in the field of water
Article 13	Concessions awarded to an affiliated undertaking
Article 14	Concessions awarded to a joint venture or to a contracting entity forming part of a joint venture
Article 17	Concessions between entities within the public sector

Section III – C	General provisions
Article 18	Duration of the concession
Article 19	Social and other specific services
Article 20	Mixed contracts
Article 21	Mixed procurement contracts involving defence or security aspects
Article 22	Contracts covering both activities referred to in Annex II and other activities
Article 23	Concessions covering both activities referred to in Annex II and activities involving defence or security aspects
Article 25	Research and development services
CHAPTER II	
Principles	
Article 26	Economic operators
Article 27	Nomenclatures
Article 28	Confidentiality
Article 29	Rules applicable to communication
TITLE II	
	ward of concessions: General principles and procedural guarantees
CHAPTER I	
General princi	ples
Article 30	General principles: paragraphs 1, 2 and 3
Article 31	Concession notices
Article 32	Concession award notices
Article 33	Form and manner of publication of notices: 1st subparagraph of paragraph 1
Article 34	Electronic availability of concession documents
Article 35	Combating corruption and preventing conflicts of interest
CHAPTER II	
Procedural gu	arantees
Article 36	Technical and functional requirements
Article 37	Procedural guarantees
Article 38	Selection of and qualitative assessment of candidates
Article 39	Time limits for receipt of applications and tenders for the concession
Article 40	Provision of information to candidates and tenderers

Article 41 Award criteria

#### TITLE III

Rules on performance of concessions

- Article 42 Subcontracting
- Article 43 Modification of contracts during their term
- Article 44 Termination of concessions
- Article 45 Monitoring and Reporting

#### **ANNEXES**

- ANNEX I LIST OF THE ACTIVITIES REFERRED TO IN POINT (7) OF ARTICLE 5
- ANNEX II ACTIVITIES EXERCISED BY CONTRACTING ENTITIES AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 7
- ANNEX III LIST OF LEGAL ACTS OF THE UNION REFERRED TO IN POINT (B) OF ARTICLE 7(2)
- ANNEX IV SERVICES REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 19
- ANNEX V INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN CONCESSION NOTICES REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 31
- ANNEX VI INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN PRIOR INFORMATION NOTICES CONCERNING CONCESSIONS FOR SOCIAL AND OTHER SPECIFIC SERVICES, AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 31(3)
- ANNEX VII INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN CONCESSION AWARD NOTICES. AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 32
- ANNEX VIII INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN CONCESSION AWARD NOTICES CONCERNING CONCESSIONS FOR SOCIAL AND OTHER SPECIFIC SERVICES, AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 32
- ANNEX IX FEATURES CONCERNING PUBLICATION
- ANNEX X LIST OF INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONVENTIONS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 30(3)
- ANNEX XI INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN NOTICES OF MODIFICATIONS OF A CONCESSION DURING ITS TERM ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 43

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#### OTHER ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 89/665/EEC

#### as amended by Directive 2007/66/EC and Directive 2014/23/EU

(Phase 4)

- Article 2b Derogations from the standstill period
  - Point (c) of the first paragraph of Article 2b
- Article 2d Ineffectiveness

Point (c) of the first paragraph of Article 2d

Paragraph 5

#### **ANNEX XVI-J**

(Phase 5)

#### I. OTHER NON-MANDATORY ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/25/EU

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TITLE I

Scope, definitions and general principles

CHAPTER I

Subject-matter and definitions

Article 2 Definitions: points 10-12

**CHAPTER IV** 

General principles

Article 38 Reserved contracts

TITLE II

Rules applicable to contracts

CHAPTER I

Procedures

Article 55 Centralised purchasing activities and central purchasing bodies

TITLE III

Particular procurement regimes

CHAPTER I

Social and other specific services

Article 94 Reserved contracts for certain services

#### II. OTHER MANDATORY ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/25/EU

TITLE I

Scope, definitions and general principles

CHAPTER I

Subject-matter and definitions

Article 2 Definitions: point 17

CHAPTER III

#### Material scope

#### Section 1 – Thresholds

Article 16 Methods for calculating the estimated value of procurement: paragraphs 5, 6

#### TITLE II

Rules applicable to contracts

#### CHAPTER I

#### **Procedures**

Article 44 Choice of procedures: paragraph 3	rticle 44	Choice o	f procedures:	paragraph :
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#### Article 48 Competitive dialogue

- Article 49 Innovation Partnership
- Article 50 Use of the negotiated procedure without prior call for competition: point (j)

#### **CHAPTER II**

Techniques and instruments for electronic and aggregated procurement

- Article 51 Framework agreements
- Article 52 Dynamic purchasing systems
- Article 53 Electronic auctions
- Article 54 Electronic catalogues
- Article 56 Occasional joint procurement

#### CHAPTER III

Conduct of the procedure

Section 2 – Publication and transparency

Article 70 Contract award notices: paragraph 2

Section 3 – Choice of participants and award of contract

Subsection 1: Qualification and qualitative selection

Article 77 Qualification systems

Article 79 Reliance on the capacities of other entities: paragraph 1

#### TITLE III

Particular procurement regimes

#### **CHAPTER II**

Rules governing design contests

Article 95 Scope

Article 96 Notices

Article 97 Rules on the organisation of design contests, the selection of participants and

the jury

Article 98 Decision of the jury

#### **ANNEXES**

ANNEX VII Information to be included in the procurement documents relating to electronic auctions (Article 53(4))

ANNEX XIX: Information to be included in the design contest notice (as referred to in Article 96(1))

ANNEX XX: Information to be included in the results of design contest notices (as referred to in Article 96(1))

#### ANNEX XVI-K

#### OTHER ELEMENTS OF DIRECTIVE 92/13/EEC

#### as amended by Directive 2007/66/EC and Directive 2014/23/EU

(Phase 5)

Article 2b	Derogations	from the	standstill	period

Point (c) of the first paragraph of Article 2b

#### Article 2d Ineffectiveness

Point (c) of the first paragraph of Article 2d

Paragraph 5

#### ANNEX XVI-L

## I. PROVISIONS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/24/EU OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF APPROXIMATION

The elements listed in this Annex are not subject to the process of approximation.

#### TITLE I

Scope, definitions and general principles

#### CHAPTER I

Scope and definitions

Section 1 – Subject-matter and definitions

Article 1 Subject-matter and scope: paragraphs 3 and 4

Article 2 Definitions: paragraph 2

Section 2 - Thresholds

Article 6 Revision of the thresholds and of the list of central government authorities

#### TITLE II

Rules on public contracts

#### CHAPTER I

**Procedures** 

Article 25 Conditions relating to the GPA and other international agreements

#### CHAPTER II

Techniques and instruments for electronic and aggregated procurement

Article 39 Procurement involving contracting authorities from different Member States

#### CHAPTER III

Conduct of the procedure

Section 1 – Preparation

Article 44 Test reports, certification and other means of proof: paragraph 3

Section 2 – Publication and transparency

Article 51 Form and manner of publication of notices: second subparagraph of paragraph 1, paragraphs 2, 3, 4, second subparagraph of paragraph 5, paragraph 6

Article 52 Publication at national level

Section 3 – Choice of participants and award of contracts

Article 61 Online repository of certificates (e-Certis)

Article 62 Quality assurance standards and environmental management standards: paragraph 3

Article 68	Life-cycle costing: paragraph 3
Article 69	Abnormally low tender: paragraph 5
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GOVERNAN	CE
Article 83	Enforcement
Article 84	Individual reports on procedures for the award of contracts
Article 85	National reporting and statistical information
Article 86	Administrative Cooperation
TITLE V	
DELEGATED	POWERS, IMPLEMENTING POWERS AND FINAL PROVISIONS
Article 87	Exercise of the delegation of powers
Article 88	Urgency procedure
Article 89	Committee procedure
Article 90	Transposition and transitional provisions
Article 91	Repeals
Article 92	Review
Article 93	Entry into force
Article 94	Addressees
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ANNEX I	CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES
ANNEX VIII	FEATURES CONCERNING PUBLICATION

ANNEX XI REGISTERS

ANNEX XIII LIST OF EU LEGISLATION REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 68(3)

ANNEX XV CORRELATION TABLE

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The elements listed in this Annex are not subject to the process of approximation.

#### TITLE I

Subject matter, scope, principles and definitions

#### CHAPTER I

Scope, general principles and definitions

Section I – Subject-matter, scope, general principles, definitions and threshold

Article 1 Subject-matter and scope: paragraph 3

Article 6	Contracting authorities: paragraphs 2 and 3
Article 9	Revision of the threshold
Section II – E	xclusions
Article 15	Notification of information by contracting entities
Article 16	Exclusion of activities which are directly exposed to competition
TITLE II	
Rules on the a	award of concessions: General principles and procedural guarantees
CHAPTER I	
General princ	iples
Article 30	General principles: paragraph 4
Article 33	Form and manner of publication of notices: 2nd subparagraph of paragraph 1, paragraphs 2, 3 and 4
TITLE IV	
Amendments	to Directive 89/665/EEC and 92/13/EEC
Article 46	Amendments to Directive 89/665/EEC
Article 47	Amendments to Directive 92/13/EEC
TITLE V	
Delegated pov	wers, implementing powers and final provisions
Article 48	Exercise of the delegation
Article 49	Urgency procedure
Article 50	Committee procedure
Article 51	Transposition
Article 52	Transitional provisions
Article 53	Monitoring and reporting
Article 54	Entry into force
Article 55	Addressees

#### ANNEX XVI-M

## PROVISIONS OF DIRECTIVE 2014/25/EU OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF APPROXIMATION

The elements listed in this Annex are not subject to the process of approximation.

#### TITLE I

Scope, definitions and general principles

#### CHAPTER I

Subject-matter and definitions

Article 1 Subject matter and scope: paragraphs 3 and 4
Article 3 Contracting authorities: paragraphs 2 and 3
Article 4 Contracting entities: paragraph 4

#### CHAPTER III

Material scope

Section 1 – Thresholds

Article 17 Revision of the thresholds

Section 2 – Excluded contracts and design contests: Special provisions for procurement involving defence and security aspects

Subsection 1: Exclusions applicable to all contracting entities and special exclusions for the water and energy sector

Article 18 Contracts awarded for purposes of resale or lease to third parties: paragraph 2

Article 19 Contracts and design contests awarded or organised for purposes other than the pursuit of a covered activity or for the pursuit of such an activity in a third country: paragraph 2

Subsection 3: Special relations (cooperation, affiliated undertakings and joint ventures)

Article 31 Notification of information

Subsection 4: Specific situations

Article 33 Contracts subject to special arrangements

Subsection 5: Activities directly exposed to competition and procedural provisions relating thereto

Article 34 Activities directly exposed to competition

Article 35 Procedure for establishing whether Article 34 is applicable

#### TITLE II

Rules applicable to contracts

#### CHAPTER I

**Procedures** 

#### **CHAPTER II**

Article 57 Procurement involving contracting entities from different Member States

#### **CHAPTER III**

Conduct of the procedure

Section 2 – Publication and transparency

Article 71 Form and manner of publication of notices: paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> subparagraph of paragraph 5, paragraph 6

Article 72 Publication at national level

Section 3 – Choice of participants and award of contract

Article 81 Quality assurance standards and environmental management standards: paragraph 3

Article 83 Life-cycle costing: paragraph 3

Section 4 - Tenders comprising products originating in third countries and relations with those countries

Article 85 Tenders comprising products originating in third countries

Article 86 Relations with third countries as regards works, supplies and service contracts

#### TITLE IV

#### Governance

Article 99 Enforcement

Article 100 Individual reports on procedures for the award of contracts

Article 101 National reporting and statistical information

Article 102 Administrative cooperation

#### TITLE V

#### DELEGATED POWERS, IMPLEMENTING POWERS AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 103 Exercise of the delegation

Article 104 Urgency procedure

Article 105 Committee procedure

Article 106 Transposition and transitional provisions

Article 107 Repeal

Article 108 Review

Article 109 Entry into force

Article 110 Addressees

#### **ANNEXES**

ANNEX II List of Union legal acts referred to in Article 4(3)

ANNEX III List of Union legal acts referred to in Article 34(3)

ANNEX IV Deadlines for the adoption of the implementing acts referred to in Article 35

ANNEX XV List of Union legal acts referred to in Article 83(3)

#### **ANNEX XVI-N**

# PROVISIONS OF DIRECTIVE 89/665/EEC AS AMENDED BY DIRECTIVE 2007/66/EC AND DIRECTIVE 2014/23/EU OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF APPROXIMATION

The elements listed in this Annex are not subject to the process of approximation.

Article 2b	Derogations from the standstill period
	Point (a) of the first paragraph of Article 2b
Article 2d	Ineffectiveness
	Point (a) of the first paragraph of Article 2d
	Paragraph 4
Article 3	Corrective Mechanisms
Article 3a	Content of the notice for voluntary ex ante transparency
Article 3b	Committee Procedure
Article 4	Implementation

Article 4a Review

#### **ANNEX XVI-O**

# PROVISIONS OF DIRECTIVE 92/13/EEC AS AMENDED BY DIRECTIVE 2007/66/EC AND DIRECTIVE 2014/23/EU OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF APPROXIMATION

The elements listed in this Annex are not subject to the process of approximation.

Derogations from the standstill period
Point (a) of the first paragraph of Article 2b
Ineffectiveness

Paragraph 4

Article 3a	Content of the notice for voluntary ex ante transparency
Article 3b	Committee Procedure

Point (a) of the first paragraph of Article 2d

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Article 8	Corrective Mechanisms

Article 12a Review

#### ANNEX XVI-P

#### GEORGIA: INDICATIVE LIST OF ISSUES FOR COOPERATION

- 1. Training, in Georgia and EU countries, of Georgian officials from government bodies engaged in public procurement;
- 2. Training of suppliers interested participating in public procurement;
- 3. Exchange of information and experience on best practice and regulatory rules in the sphere of public procurement;
- 4. Enhancement of the functionality of the public procurement website and establishment of a system of public procurement monitoring;
- 5. Consultations and methodological assistance from the EU Party in application of modern electronic technologies in the sphere of public procurement;
- 6. Strengthening the bodies charged with guaranteeing a coherent policy in all areas related to public procurement and the independent and impartial consideration (review) of contracting authorities' decisions. (Cf. Article 143 paragraph 2 of this Agreement).