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### "Further development of internal control system and work methodology" (CRO INTERCON)

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Republic of Croatia has undertaken extensive efforts in recent years in the development of internal control system in public sector and has successfully implemented activities to create preconditions for its establishment and development (legislation and bylaws adopted, organizational and administrative preconditions met).

Still, there is a need for the Central Harmonisation Unit (CHU) within the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia to continue providing assistance and to support further development of internal control system in line institutions at state and local level and publicly owned companies.

There is also a need to strengthen the capacity for coordination and development of internal control system in line institutions related to the staff in organizational units for finance.

## **ANTARGETED GROUP**

The Central Harmonisation Unit (CHU) and persons responsible for coordination and/or development of internal contol system.

## **O**PROJECT PURPOSE

Project purpose is to further develop the internal control system through improvement of work methodology with particular emphasis on practical usage in public sector entities and to promote good practices.

#### COMPONENTS

Component 1: Further developing of methodological tools in the area of internal control system

Recommendations for improvement of existing practices and procedures in the area of internal control system prepared; Manual on Internal Control System for public administration bodies updated; Manual on Internal Control System for state-owned and local/regional governmentowned companies prepared.

Component 2: Strengthening capacities for coordination and development of internal control system

Knowledge and skills of persons responsible for coordination and/or development of internal control system improved.

## Component 3: Promoting good practices in the internal control system

Recommendations for improvement of existing promotional materials for internal control system prepared; Activities for promoting internal control system conducted; Methodological framework for the internal control system development and internal audit published.

#### **PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

Analysing the legal framework related to internal control system. Conducting a comparative analysis of the EU practices in state-owned and local/regional governmentowned companies. Analysing the existing Manual for Financial Management and Control for public administration bodies. Updating the Manual on Internal Control System for public administration bodies. Preparing the Manual on Internal Control System for state-owned and local/regional government-owned companies.

Organizing and conducting: the training for the use of the newly updated Manual on Internal Control System for public administration bodies on state and local level; training for the use of the newly prepared Manual on Internal Control System for state-owned and local/regional government-owned companies; study visit to Latvia (5 working days, 10 participants).

Conducting the gap analysis of existing promotional materials. Organizing and conducting 3 one-day conferences on promoting good practices in developing internal control system. Preparing graphic design and printing of Manuals.

#### IMPLEMENTATION

- Project implementation started on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017
  - Project implementation period: 12 months

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