WeBER Indicator Summary

AREA: Strategic Framework of Public Administration Reform

MONTENEGRO

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Public administration reform is purposefully implemented; reform outcome targets are set and regularly monitored

4. Public administration reform has robust and functioning management coordination structures at both the political and administrative levels to steer the reform design and implementation process

**SIGMA Principle 2**

WeBER Indicator SFPAR_P2&4_I1: Civil society involvement in the PAR monitoring and coordination structures

**Indicator approach**

The focus of measurement for this indicator is on quality of PAR implementation, coordination and monitoring form the perspective of civil society engagement.

Strategic PAR document whose coordination and monitoring structured are monitored and measured by this indicator, is overall PAR strategic document. Focus on the single strategic document, instead of two or more determines at the same time whether efforts to simplify monitoring and coordination structures for different PAR strategic documents exist. In case there is no overall PAR strategy, the most comprehensive strategic document in force and under implementation is considered.

For each element under this indicator, review and qualitative assessment of official documents pertaining to the organisation and functioning of PAR coordination and monitoring structures will be conducted. Findings from other data sources, where applicable, will be used to corroborate the findings from the official documents.

**Summary of the findings**

There are no administrative structures for PAR coordination and monitoring in Montenegro. This role is done by the Ministry of Public Administration, while the PAR Council is the political and the only body for coordination and monitoring. There are two NGO representatives in the PAR Council, participating as full-fledged members, appointed under the Government Decree on the manner and procedure for cooperation of Government and NGO sector.

Council is meeting relatively often - in the period since the Council was formed, June 2017 until now (February 2018) the PAR Council has met 5 times. Each meeting of the PAR council is an opportunity for discussion, as its format entails presentation of official documents by representatives of institutions, followed by the discussion by the PAR Council members, among which there are two NGOs. There is no limitation to the discussion, and every Council member in practice can freely voice an opinion. Additionally, NGOs can send their own materials, propose points for the agenda or for convening a new session. Also, financial matters pertaining to the costing of PAR measures have also been discussed at the PAR Council meetings. General public is provided only with the short summaries of the meetings, outlying the documents that were discussed. Materials that were discussed, agenda or minutes from the meetings are not published on the website.

**Specific observations**

None.

**Indicator score** 13 (out of 26 points)

**Final indicator value** 2 (scale 0-5)\(^1\)

**Measurement period** March, 2018

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\(^1\) Conversion of points: 0-5 points = 0; 6-9 points = 1; 10-13 points = 2; 14-17 points = 3; 18-21 points = 4; 22-26 points = 5.