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# ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION (GRK) NO. 02/2025 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION (GRK) NO. 12/2022 ON THE REGISTRATION AND OPERATION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Administrative Instruction (GRK) No. 02/2025 Amending and Supplementing the Administrative Instruction (GRK) No. 12/2022 on the Registration and Operation of Non-Governmental Organizations, was adopted at the 249-th session of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo, by decision No. 03/249, dated 26.02.2025

#### The Government of the Republic of Kosovo,

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo, Article 25, paragraph 7, Article 42, paragraph 2, and Article 46 of Law No. 06/L-043 on the Freedom of Association in Non-Governmental Organizations (Official Gazette No. 11, April 24, 2019), and in accordance with Article 78, paragraph 6, subparagraph 6.2 of the Regulation (GRK) No. 17/2024 on the Rules of Procedure of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo,

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#### Article 1 Aim

This Administrative Instruction aims to amend and supplement the Administrative Instruction (GRK) No. 12/2022 on the Registration and Operation of Non-Governmental Organizations (hereinafter referred to as the "Basic Instruction").

#### Article 2

Article 1, paragraph 1, subparagraph 1.1 of the basic Instruction shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

1.1. **Law** – refers to Law No. 06/L-043 and Law No. 08/L-244 Amending and Supplementing the Law on the Freedom of Association in Non-Governmental Organizations.

#### Article 3

After paragraph 4, subparagraph 4.6 of Article 7 of the basic Instruction, a new subparagraph 4.7 shall be added as follows:

4.7. the commitment for initial capital for the establishment of the foundation, which must be no less than one thousand euros ( $\in$ 1,000), by a will or inheritance.

#### Article 4

1. Article 9, paragraph 2 of the basic Instruction shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

- 2. The Department shall review the application within forty-five (45) days from the date of receipt of the application.
- 2. Article 9, paragraph 9 of the basic Instruction shall be amended and supplemented as follows:
  - 9. The interested party for the establishment of the NGO, who does not agree with the decision of the Department, has the right to appeal to the Appeals Commission as a second-instance body, within thirty (30) days, in accordance with the relevant Law on General Administrative Procedures and the relevant Regulation on Appeals Commission.

#### **Article 5**

After Article 12 of the basic Instruction, a new Article 12A shall be added as follows:

#### Article 12A Imposing fines

- 1. The NGO that does not fulfill the obligation according to paragraph 1 of Article 29 of the Law shall be fined with an amount of two hundred and fifty euros ( $\in$ 250), while the authorized representative shall be fined with an amount of eighty euros ( $\in$ 80).
- 2. The fines shall be imposed by the Department in accordance with the relevant Law on Offenses.

#### Article 6

Article 14, paragraph 4 of the basic Instruction shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

4. Within forty-five (45) days, after reviewing and evaluating the application from paragraph 1 of this article, if the registration documents prove that the objectives and activities of the NGO meet the requirements of Article 37 of the Law, the Department shall issue a decision to grant or refuse the public benefit status for the applicant NGO.

#### Article 7

Article 15, paragraph 7 of the basic Instruction shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

7. Within forty-five (45) days, the Department shall review the NGO's submitted application for the re-recognition of public benefit status and, after reviewing and evaluating the fulfillment of criteria set out in Article 39 of the Law, shall issue a decision for re-recognition or refusal of the re-recognition of public benefit status.

#### Article 8

Article 16, paragraph 3 of the basic Instruction shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

3. The Department shall review and decide on the application for revocation of public benefit status, no later than forty-five (45) days after receiving the application for revocation of public benefit status and shall send to the NGO a written notification that its public benefit status, along with all benefits arising from that status, has been terminated.

#### Article 9

Article 18, paragraph 4 of the basic Instruction shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

4. The NGO that does not agree with the decision of the Department on deregistration matters, has the right to appeal to the Appeals Commission as a second-instance body within thirty (30) days, in accordance with the relevant Law on General Administrative Procedures and relevant Regulation on the Appeals Commission.

### Article 10 Entry into force

This Administrative Instruction shall enter into force seven (7) days after its publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo.

Prime Minister of the Re	public of Kosovo 28 February 2025

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