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LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject:	COUNCIL DECISION amending Decision 1999/70/EC concerning the external auditors of the national central banks, as regards the external auditors of the Banco de Portugal

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2022/…

of …

amending Decision 1999/70/EC
concerning the external auditors of the national central banks,
as regards the external auditors of the Banco de Portugal

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to Protocol No 4 on the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 27.1 thereof,

Having regard to the Recommendation of the European Central Bank of 17 May 2022 to the Council of the European Union on the external auditors of the Banco de Portugal (ECB/2022/24)[1],

[1] OJ C 210, 25.5.2022, p. 1.

Whereas:

(1) The accounts of the European Central Bank (ECB) and of the national central banks of the Member States whose currency is the euro are to be audited by independent external auditors recommended by the Governing Council of the ECB and approved by the Council of the European Union.

(2) The mandate of the Banco de Portugal's current external auditors, Deloitte & Associados — Sociedade de Revisores Oficiais de Contas S.A., ended following the audit for the financial year 2021. It is therefore necessary to appoint external auditors for the financial years 2022 to 2026.

(3) The Banco de Portugal has selected PriceWaterhouseCoopers & Associados - Sociedade de Revisores Oficiais de Contas Lda as its external auditors for the financial years 2022 to 2026.

(4) The Governing Council of the ECB recommended that PriceWaterhouseCoopers & Associados - Sociedade de Revisores Oficiais de Contas Lda be appointed as the external auditors of the Banco de Portugal for the financial years 2022 to 2026.

(5) Following the recommendation of the Governing Council of the ECB, Council Decision 1999/70/EC[1] should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

[1] Council Decision 1999/70/EC of 25 January 1999 concerning the external auditors of the national central banks (OJ L 22, 29.1.1999, p. 69).

Article 1

In Article 1 of Decision 1999/70/EC, paragraph 10 is replaced by the following:

‘10. PriceWaterhouseCoopers & Associados - Sociedade de Revisores Oficiais de Contas Lda are hereby approved as the external auditors of the Banco de Portugal for the financial years 2022 to 2026.’.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on the date of its notification.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the European Central Bank.

Done at …, …

For the Council
The President