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COUNCIL DECISION

of 25 January 1999

concerning the external auditors of the national central banks

(1999/70/EC)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Protocol on the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank and in particular to Article 27.1 thereof,

Having regard to the Recommendation of the European Central Bank (hereinafter referred to as the 'ECB') of 12 November 1998 ([1]),

Whereas the accounts of the ECB and of the national central banks (hereinafter referred to as the 'NCBs') are to be audited by independent external auditors recommended by the Governing Council of the ECB and approved by the Council;

Whereas the ECB has recommended the reappointment of the current external auditors appointed by each participating NCB subject to a possible later decision,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

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1. Ernst & Young Bedrijfsrevisoren/Réviseurs d'Entreprises are hereby approved as the external auditors of the Nationale Bank van België/Banque Nationale de Belgique from the financial year 2005 for a period of three years, this period being renewable once.

▼M20

2. Ernst & Young AG Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft Steuerberatungsgesellschaft is hereby approved as the external auditor of the Deutsche Bundesbank for the financial years 2009 to 2014.

▼M13

3. Deloitte, S.L. is hereby approved as the external auditor of the Banco de España for the financial years 2006 to 2008.

This mandate may be renewed thereafter on a yearly basis until the end of the financial year 2012.

▼M30

4. Deloitte & Associés and KPMG SA are hereby approved as the external auditors of the Banque de France for the financial years 2012 to 2017.

BEAS is hereby approved as the deputy auditors to Deloitte & Associés and KPMG Audit FS I SAS as deputy auditors to KPMG SA for the financial years 2012 to 2017.

▼M24

5. Deloitte & Touche is hereby approved as the external auditors of the Central Bank and Financial Services Authority of Ireland for the financial years 2009 to 2011.

([1]) OJ C 411, 31.12.1998, p. 11.

▼M26

6. PricewaterhouseCoopers SpA is hereby approved as the external auditors of the Banca d'Italia for the financial years 2010 to 2015.

▼M19

7. KPMG AUDIT Sarl is hereby approved as the external auditor of the Banque centrale du Luxembourg for the 2009 to 2013 financial years.

▼M28

8. Deloitte Accountants BV are hereby approved as the external auditors of De Nederlandsche Bank for the financial years 2012 to 2018.

▼M14

9. TPA Horwath Wirtschaftsprüfung GmbH and Moore Stephens Austria Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft mbH are hereby approved jointly as the external auditors of the OeNB for the financial year 2006.

BDO Auxilia Treuhand GmbH and Ernst & Young Wirtschaftsprüfungs GmbH are hereby approved jointly as the alternate external auditors of the OeNB for the financial year 2006.

This mandate may be renewed on a yearly basis, not exceeding a total term of five years, ending with the financial year 2010 at the latest.

▼M27

10. PricewaterhouseCoopers & Associados — Sociedade de Revisores Oficiais de Contas, Lda. is hereby approved as the external auditors of the Banco de Portugal for the financial years 2011 to 2016.

▼M17

11. KPMG Oy Ab is hereby approved as the external auditor of Suomen Pankki for the financial years 2008 to 2012.

▼M29

12. KPMG Certified Auditors A.E. are hereby approved as the external auditors of the Bank of Greece for the financial years 2012 to 2016.

▼M22

13. Deloitte revizija d.o.o. is hereby approved as the external auditor of the Banka Slovenije for the financial years 2009 to 2011.

▼M15

14. PricewaterhouseCoopers Limited is hereby approved as the external auditors of the Central Bank of Cyprus for the financial years 2008 to 2012.

▼M18

15. KPMG is hereby approved as the external auditors of Bank Ċentrali ta′ Malta/Central Bank of Malta for the financial years 2009 to 2013.

▼M25

16. Ernst & Young Slovakia, spol. s.r.o. are hereby approved as the external auditors of Národná banka Slovenska for the financial years 2010 to 2014.

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Article 2

This Decision shall be notified to the ECB.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.