

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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Subject: GRECO – Advance notice - 6th Round Evaluation of ICELAND

Dear Mr Ólafsson,

I am pleased to communicate to you our advance notice of preliminary preparations for the evaluation of Iceland under the 6th Round on the theme "Preventing corruption and promoting integrity at the sub-national level".

Having considered the sequence of evaluations in the preceding round and other planning criteria for GRECO's work, the 6th Round evaluation visit to Iceland will be carried out in the second half of 2026. The concrete dates of the visit and the related arrangements will be agreed with you in due course.

In anticipation of the visit, a **pre-selection of sub-national authorities for evaluation**, should reach us **at your earliest convenience and at the very latest by 5 September 2025**. Upon receipt of your proposal, the Secretariat, in close consultation with you, will select two sub-national authorities for evaluation.

It is recalled that sub-national authorities should include (i) a capital or, in the absence of agreement, an alternative major city; (ii) a regional or other sub-national entity or a municipality, in particular, in respect of countries having only one sub-national tier. They should be selected, *inter alia*, on the basis of the following criteria: they are mandated to spend public money and/or to manage finances on an executive basis; they are directly elected and/or have a mandate separate from that of central government; and they deliver a broad range of government services to citizens.

As Head of your country's delegation in GRECO you are our official interlocutor. If a new Head of delegation is nominated, you are asked to kindly ensure the handover of this file and to promptly inform the Secretariat.

Yours sincerely,



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Executive Secretary of GRECO