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MEFL/EF Circular No 2/2023

To: Permanent Secretaries

Re: National Eligibility Rules

In accordance with Article 63(1) of the Common Provision Regulation (CPR), Malta has taken a crucial step to streamline and enhance the process of determining the eligibility of expenditure across all projects funded by relevant EU funds during the 2021-2027 programming period.

The adoption of national rules for establishing the eligibility of expenditure represents a significant milestone in our ongoing efforts to ensure the efficient and effective utilization of EU funds for the benefit of our citizens. This initiative is in line with the European Union's commitment to sound financial management, transparency, and accountability in the implementation of projects that receive EU funding.

The comprehensive document detailing the national rules for determining the parameters adopted is enclosed to this Circular. I kindly request that you disseminate this document widely within your respective Departments, Divisions and Entities responsible for the implementation of EU-funded projects to ensure strict compliance with these rules. The document will be published online on the https://fondi.eu/ to make it accessible to all relevant stakeholders.

Should you require any further clarification or have inquiries regarding these national rules, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

I extend my sincere appreciation for your unwavering dedication and commitment to the efficient management of EU funds for the benefit of Malta.

Mr Jonathan Vassallo

Permanent Secretary EU Funds