## Curriculum Vitae

## PERSONAL INFORMATION Dobrinka Mihaylova

Date of birth 31/01/1963 | Nationality Bulgarian |

**WORK EXPERIENCE** 

Nov 2016 – Present Audit of European Union Funds Executive Agency (Bulgarian Audit Authority)

Ministry of Finance

Director of Audit of Regional Policy Funds Directorate

Dec 2014 – Nov 2016

Council of Ministers of Republic of Bulgaria

Advisor of the Deputy Prime Minister for EU Funds and Economic

Audit of European Union Funds Executive Agency

Sep 2009 – Oct 2014 Ministry of Finance

Executive Director (Head of Bulgarian Audit Authority)

Oct 2005 – Sep 2009 Ministry of Finance

Internal Control Directorate

Director of Internal Control Directorate

Feb 2004 - Oct 2005 Public Internal Financial Control Agency

Ministry of Finance

Director of Harmonization and Methodology of Audit Activities Directorate

Feb 1996 – Feb 2004 Public Internal Financial Control Agency

Ministry of Finance

Financial Expert, Chief Financial Expert, Head of Control on Budget Spending Units Department, Director of Control on Budget Spending Units and EU Funds Directorate

Jan 1987 - Feb 1992 Napredak Ltd., Sofia, accountant

### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

September 1981 - June 1985 MSc Economics

University of National and World Economy

Sofia, Bulgaria

Training: 1985 - present

Numerous international trainings in the area of financial management and control, audit, international audit standards, public procurement, cost-benefit analysis of investment

projects, EU regulations, cost simplification, etc.

Certificates: National Certificate "Internal Auditor in the Public Sector"- November 2007

Mother tongue(s) Bulgarian

Other language(s) English (fluent), Russian (limited working proficiency), French (basic)

# Organisational / managerial skills

- Leadership and managerial skills evident by successful set-up, capacity building and management of the Bulgarian Audit Authority;
- Leading the PIFC reform in Republic of Bulgaria;
- Organization and management of the Working Group for preparation of the Act on Public Sector Internal Audit and the Act on Public Sector Financial Management and Control;
- Leading the Working Group 28 "Financial control" during the negotiation process with the EU. 2004 2007:
- Supervision and management of multiple audit teams, quality control of audits of EU funds;

- Experience in the field of relations with auditees in accordance with audit standards and procedures;
- Member of international team performing peer reviews for assessment of CHU for financial management and control and internal audit of the Ministry of Finance of Croatia (2008) and peer review of Croatian Audit Authority (2012).

#### Job-related skills

- 20 years of experience in auditing including financial, performance and compliance audits;
- Excellent knowledge of IIA and INTOSAI and IAS standards:
- Practical experience in drafting and implementing legislation, standards and methodology in the field of control, internal audit and audit of EU funds aligning national law and methodology according to internationally recognized control and auditing standards and relevant guidelines of EC such as COCOF guidance notes etc.
- Capacity building skills, including trainings and coaching, strategic assistance and workshops lecturer on control and auditing for auditors in the public sector, in IIA-Bulgaria, Public Finance School Bulgaria (topics: COSO, theory and implementation of IIA standards, audit management, strategic and annual planning of audit activities, audit procedures and tools, sampling, audits of operations and system audits under EU Regulations);
- Consultancy on various SIGMA projects (Support for Improvement in Governance and Management), financed by the EU and experience in EU Projects as Audit Key Expert in Kosovo (2007-2008);

#### Publications:

- ISBN-10:954-9899-97-7 Comments on the Acts on Financial management and on Internal audit in public sector;
- Journal of the Institute of Statutory Accountants, year XVII, The role of the Audit Authority in the system of control of EU funds;
- Articles in the press related to the field of internal control models, internal auditing standards:
- Training modules for Certification program for Internal auditors in public sector.

#### Presentations:

- Lector at the international conferences of Institute of Internal Auditors, SIGMA.
- Lector at PEMPAL, World Bank, Internal Audit workshop Moldova, June 2007 and Slovenia, 2006
- Lecturer at International Conference on Internal Audit, October 2006, Sofia and in June 2013 in Varna, Bulgaria;
- Lecturer at PIFC conferences in Albania (2008), Armenia (2008), Croatia (2009)

# Projects:

Europe Aid/122520/D/SER/KOS "Further support to the public financial control and internal audit in Kosovo, key expert (2007-2008);

OECD/SIGMA project in Albania (2008) for TA to CHU/FMC in the Ministry of Finance; OECD/SIGMA project in Croatia (2008) for Peer review of CHU/FMC and internal audit; OECD/SIGMA project in Croatia (2012) for Peer review of the Audit Authority;

#### Memberships:

Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors,

Member of the Board of the Institute of Internal Auditors, Bulgaria, 2004 - May 2008