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Factsheet for case **HR-2020-14/360**

Suspension of tax payments for monumental annuity to support tourism industry

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Country	Croatia, applies nationwide
Time period	Temporary, 01 April 2020 - 30 May 2020
Type	Legislation or other statutory regulation
Category	Supporting businesses to stay afloat – Direct subsidies (full or partial)
Case created	07 April 2020 (updated 30 April 2020)

Background information

According to the Law on the Protection and Preservation of Cultural Goods (OG 69/99, 151/03, 157/03, 87/09, 88/10 i 61/11), the monument annuity (fee, rent) has two bases: by location - performing activities in immovable cultural property or in the cultural-historical area; and according to the activity – the acquisition of income from activities determined by the Law. The rent is paid monthly during the year for all months in which the payer performs the activity in the amount of 0,05 % of total income. The companies in tourism sector recorded a significant drop of revenues due to the current crisis, so they demanded from the government to reduce the burden of taxes and various fees.

Content of measure

The companies in tourism sector recorded a significant drop of revenues due to the current crisis, so they demanded from the government to reduce the burden of taxes and various fees. The Law on Amendments to the Law on Protection and Preservation of Cultural Goods stipulates that, in the case of special circumstances, the payment of the monument annuity may be suspended. Therefore, on 20 March 2020, the Minister of Culture issued a Decision suspending the payment of the monument annuity for a period of two months (OG 37/2020).

This measure will cover around 100-120,000 companies, most of them being very small and medium size companies, with around 200 thousand employees.

Use of measure

Not yet known at this stage.

Actors, target groups and funding

Actors	Target groups	Funding
National government	All companies	No special funding required

Social partners

Role of social partners	No involvement
Form of involvement	No involvement

Due to the nature of the measure, social partners were not involved.

Sectors and occupations

This case is sector-specific.

Economic area	Sector (NACE level 2)
I - Accommodation And Food Service Activities	I55 Accommodation
	I56 Food and beverage service activities

This case is not occupation-specific.

Sources

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