#### RESOLUTION

## ON THE ASSESSMENT OF THE ACTIVITY OF THE INSTITUTE OF STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 2024

#### The Parliament of Albania,

Recognizing the mission of INSTAT to produce impartial, transparent, and up-to-date statistics, which support users in forming judgments on development and transformation processes in the economic and social fields within the country;

Taking into consideration INSTAT's progress in strengthening the national statistical system, harmonizing with European standards, and expanding public access to high-quality and verified statistical information;

Evaluating that official statistics are disseminated in accordance with the statistical principles defined by law, ensuring the protection of statistical confidentiality and guaranteeing equal access for all users;

Encouraging the strengthening of INSTAT's cooperation with producers and users of official statistics, both domestically and internationally, in order to meet their needs with high-quality and up-to-date information, as well as to ensure comparability with other countries in the region and in Europe;

### Assesses the activity of the Institute of Statistics during 2024 in the following areas:

The implementation of the Population and Housing Census 2023, achieving a coverage of approximately 97% of the population, and the publication of preliminary and detailed results according to the official calendar, accompanied by an extensive awareness campaign and the use of modern technologies for real-time monitoring of interviews.

The development of the "Geodata Hub" platform and the "Web GIS" component, which enable public and institutional access to geospatial data, strengthening the use of statistical information for planning and territorial analyses.

The digitalization and technical innovation of statistical processes through the use of electronic devices and the integration of administrative data sources, in line with best international practices.

The revision of national accounts in 2024, in cooperation with Eurostat, including for the first time the Supply and Use Tables and the institutional sector accounts, significantly improving quality, comparability, and compliance with EU standards (ESA 2010).

The expansion of the National Statistical System (NSS) through the inclusion of the National Agency of Natural Resources (AKBN) as an official producer of energy statistics, and the signing of cooperation agreements with the National Youth Agency (AKR) for the exchange of youth-related data, thereby strengthening interinstitutional coordination and the harmonization of methodological standards.

The improvement in the quality and volume of data transmitted to Eurostat, including annual and regional national accounts, external trade, and fiscal statistics (EDP/GFS), which,

according to the European Commission, have shown significant progress in production and reporting.

# The Parliament recommends that the Institute of Statistics for the year 2025 commits to the following directions:

- 1. Continue work on the thematic "Post Census" publications, with analyses addressing the needs of public policy, local planning, and scientific research, and update the Sustainable Development Goals platform.
- 2. Increase the number of indicators on the "Geodata Hub" and "Web GIS" platforms, and develop guidance materials and tutorials for non-technical users, particularly for local statistical units and urban planners.
- 3. Continue preparations for the Agricultural Holdings Census, followed by an organizational strategy, an activity calendar, and defined financial resources. Cooperate with the Ministry of Agriculture, FAO, Eurostat, and undertake an information campaign for farmers.
- 4. Continue leading the technical and institutional coordination with the Bank of Albania and the Ministry of Finance for preparing metadata according to IMF standards and adapting indicators to SDDS requirements.
- 5. Continue work on improving sectoral and financial accounts according to ESA 2010 standards and ensure their transmission to Eurostat.
- 6. Improve environmental and energy statistics by developing accounts for air emissions, physical energy flows, and environmental taxes by economic sector.
- 7. Develop a strategic framework for the use of modern methods in statistical production, aiming to meet users' needs in a timely and detailed manner.
- 8. Keep INSTAT's website active and regularly updated in all categories statistics, publications, and documentation as the main tool for accessibility and communication.
- 9. Announce vacancies and recruit staff as soon as possible in sectors where shortages
- 10. Improve the collection of statistics on research and innovation by strengthening cooperation between universities and the private sector, based on the methodological guidelines of the *Frascati* and *Oslo* manuals.

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