Appendix 1 - Guidance of the Polish Public Procurement Office on carrying out the public procurement (April 2016).

Due to the accrued delays in the implementation of the provisions of the *Directive 2014/24/EU* of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on public procurement and repealing Directive 2004/18/EC as well as the *Directive 2014/25/EU* of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on procurement by entities operating in the water, energy, transport and postal services sectors and repealing *Directive 2004/17/EC* to the Polish legal system and taking into account the principle of direct effect of directives, it is recommended, in order to avoid the risk of irregularities by Polish beneficiaries who carry public procurement procedures from 18 of April 2016, to apply one of the alternative approaches:

- **a.** Postpone to carry out the public procurement procedures until the implementation of the provisions of the directives to the Polish legal system.
- **b.** If it is not possible to postpone the launch of public procurement procedures, it is advised to follow the principles laid down in the *Communication on the Directive 2014/24/EU and Directive 2014/25/EU of 26 February 2014*, available on the website of The Polish Public Procurement Office at: https://www.uzp.gov.pl/aktualnosci/test.

(For public procurement procedures launched before 18 of April 2016 provisions of the current Public Procurement Law are binding, in the version valid on the date of launching a procurement)