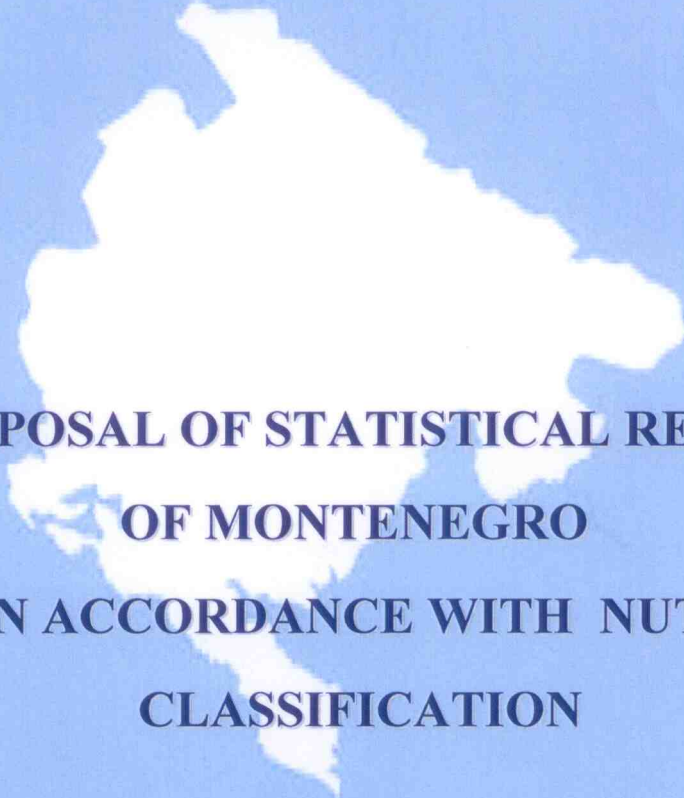


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A white silhouette map of Montenegro is centered on a blue rectangular background. The map shows the country's outline, including its coastline and major landmasses.

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Introduction

Establishment of statistical regions according to the EU nomenclature (The Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics - NUTS) is a part of the EU legal framework, which is required to be accepted by the candidate country before joining the EU. In accordance with the obligations from Stabilization and Association Agreement (SAA), which is in force between Montenegro and the EU, and the needs for expression of comparable statistical data at the level of the European Union, Statistical Office of Montenegro MONSTAT has prepared a proposal of statistical regions, which are in accordance with the European statistical standard NUTS.

After the detailed analysis we had performed, we came with the proposal of statistical regions for Montenegro in accordance with NUTS classification. On the basis of the size of the population, territory occupied by the population, the rate of population growth, constancy of population structure by municipalities, and many other factors that we analyzed, Montenegro should be represented as one statistical region at all three levels, complies with provisions of the NUTS Regulation, LAU 1 (Municipalities) and LAU 2 (Settlements).

Hoping that our proposal will be accepted,,

Sincerely,


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