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INSTITUTIONAL ADJUSTMENT OF FISCAL IMBALANCES

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Abstract. The features of institutional regulation of fiscal imbalances in Ukraine have been researched in the article. Scientific approaches to interpreting the concept of "fiscal imbalance" have been systematized. It has been determined that to balance fiscal imbalances it is necessary to achieve the balance of financial resources of the state. Indicators of the balance of financial resources of Ukraine have been proposed and analyzed, in particular: balance of the consolidated budget; the volume of public debt; balance in the Single Treasury Account (STA). Objects and institutional constraints to mitigate fiscal imbalances have been justified.

Key words: fiscal imbalances, consolidated budget deficit, public debt, the balance of funds in the single treasury account.

The current stage of development of the financial and real sectors of the economy is characterized by instability caused by crisis phenomena of both global and national economies, imbalance of financial flows in the economy, asymmetry of information, problems of functioning of formal and informal institutions, etc. Such phenomena lead to an imbalance of financial flows in the economy, in particular of a fiscal nature, which contributes to the need to improve the regulation of such flows. The purpose of the article is to investi-gate the features of institutional regula-tion of fiscal imbalances in Ukraine.

The scientific approaches to interpreting the concept of «fiscal imbalance» have been systemized in the article. A critical analysis of the scientific points of view of permissions to formulate the author's interpretation of the concept of "fiscal imbalances" as an imbalance in the financial resources of the state, which is due to the mismatch of income and expenses can lead to aggravation of not only financial and economic problems, but also social ones.

It has been determined that in order to smooth fiscal imbalances it is necessary to strive to achieve a balance of financial resources. The financial resource balance indicators have been proposed and analyzed.

The article proposes the establishment of the following institutional constraints to counterbalance fiscal imbalances:

- introduction of a standard (limit) deficit of the state budget in relation to GDP: 5% of GDP in the conditions of economic recession; 3% of GDP in economic growth to 3% per year; 2% of GDP in the conditions of economic growth 3-5%; budget surplus in terms of economic growth in excess of 5% of GDP;
- introducing an institutional limit on the share of public debt service expendi-

ture in the structure of the general budget expenditures of no more than 2% of GDP and no more than 10% of expenditures of general government budget.

- introduction of an institutional limit on the size of the Pension Fund of Ukraine deficit of at least 75% after the introduction of the second level of pension insurance (compulsory funded system).

Introducing institutional constraints to mitigate fiscal imbalances will reduce budget expenditures, reduce macroeconomic financial risks, and reduce transaction costs that accompany the use of government financial resources.

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