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The Decree Law No. 23 of 8 April 2020 ("Decree") provides for (i) amendments to the previous regulation set forth under Decree Law No. 18/2020 ("Cura Italia Decree") and (ii) new provisions concerning public entities and administrative proceedings.

The most remarkable provisions can be summarized as follows:

- (a) the suspension of the terms relating to all administrative proceedings already set forth by Article 103 par. 1 of the Cura Italia Decree is extended until 15 May 2020 (Article 37 of the Decree);
- (b) the term for the renewal of the managing and control bodies of public entities is extended until the end of the state of emergency (i.e. 31 June 2020), or, in any case, until such entities are able to carry out the relevant renewal procedures. Similarly, public entities may suspend the election renewal procedures (also ongoing procedures) until the end of the state of emergency (art. 33 of the Liquidity Decree).

Such a provision applies to all State administrations, independent authorities, chambers of commerce, industry, crafts and agriculture, national non-economic public entities, public agencies. On the other side, Regions, Autonomous Provinces of Trento and Bolzano, Provinces, Municipalities, Metropolitan Cities and public companies are expressly excluded from the scope of the provision outlined.

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