

Selected projects



Official title of the project

Equipment for Development of Evidence Management and Forensic Analysis Capacity

Country

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Region/ City

Skopje

Sector

Police & Border Management
Fight Against Crime

Budget/EC contribution

€3.241.262
€594.547.00

Implementation period

February 2006-May 2007

Expected results

Enhancing the capacity of the law enforcement agencies in the field of forensics through provision of equipment and delivery of training.

An effective and publicly accountable police service that operates according to EU standards and best practices

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The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Development of police evidence management and forensic analysis capacity

The EU has provided more than €3 million in equipment and training to enhance the capacity of law enforcement agencies in the field of evidence management and forensic analysis.

The project, managed by the European Agency for Reconstruction, is one component of support to the establishment of an effective and publicly accountable police service in the country, a service operating according to EU standards and identified best practices.

The new equipment provided to the Police technical crime units will enhance and modernise the methodologies for evidence collection, storage, management and analysis.

The €341.262 project consisted in reconstruction of the laboratory's main building (approximately 2,700m²) consisting of four floors, basement and garage as well as the building of an external gas station (65m²).

The renovation process included architectural works, electrical and mechanical installations, a fire protection system as well as an access control system.

The renovation of the Police Central Forensic Laboratory was completed in February 2007 when the premises were handed over to the Forensic Department for use.

Equipment worth over €3M (see above) was also delivered and installed in the forensic laboratory. This equipment comprised microscopes and forensic software, IT equipment, video equipment, biological analysis equipment, evidence collection equipment for the Regional Forensic Investigation Units, vehicles and equipment for the Institute of Forensic Medicine.

The laboratories are now fully equipped and operational.

The Forensic Department is now in a position to install the new IT system and to increase the efficiency and mobility of forensic personnel.

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