

Project Fiche 4.2: Participation in Community Programmes and Agencies

1. BASIC INFORMATION

1.1 CRIS Number: 2008/20-311

1.2 Title: Participation in Community Programmes and Agencies

1.3 ELARG Statistical code: 4.65

1.4 Location: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Implementing arrangements:

1.5 Contracting Authority (EC)

European Commission, EC Delegation, on behalf of the beneficiary

1.6 Implementing agency

European Commission, EC Delegation, on behalf of the beneficiary

1.7 Beneficiary (including details of project manager):

Secretariat for European Affairs, Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Labour and Social policy, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Economy, Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning, Ministry of Health and the potential beneficiaries of the priority Community Programmes for the period 2008-2009.

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1.8 Overall costs (VAT excluded)¹: EUR 2.500.000 million

1.9 EU contribution: EUR 2.000.000 million

¹ The total costs of the project should be net of VAT and/or other taxes. Should this not be the case, the amount of VAT and the reasons why it should be considered eligible should be clearly indicated.

1.10 Final date for contracting:

Two years from the date of the conclusion of the Financing Agreement

1.11 Final date for execution of contracts:

Two years from the final date for contracting

1.12 Final date for disbursements:

One year after the final date for execution of contracts

2. Overall Objective and Project Purpose

2.1 Overall Objective

The overall objective of the project is to give support to the beneficiary to participate in Community Programmes and Agencies.

2.2 Project purpose

The main purpose of the project is to co-finance the costs of the "entry-tickets" for the participation in Community Programmes and Agencies.

After the conclusions of the MoU establishing the countries' participation in a Community programme, the Commission signs for each entry-ticket a grant contract with the beneficiary for the reimbursable amount. The IPA funds are transferred to the country as reimbursement after it has paid its entry-tickets to the programme, on the basis of the grant contract, request for funds by the beneficiary and proof of payment.

Individual grant contracts and reimbursements of entry tickets are expected to be done during the 4th quarter of 2009. The project's overall financial envelope is approx. EUR 2.5 million of which approx. EUR 0.5 million will be co-financed by the beneficiary.

2.3 Link with AP/NPAA/EP/SAA

The European Partnership underlines the importance to strengthen the research and technological development capacity in order to ensure successful participation in the Community Research Framework Programme. Concerning the life-long learning and youth programmes the Progress Report 2006 states that considerable efforts are needed to ensure the conditions for adequate participation in the relevant Community programmes.

There is also a strong link to the SAA as there is the Protocol on participation in Community Programmes attached to it.

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2.4 Link with MIPD

The MIPD identifies as a priority area of intervention support participation in Community Programmes and Agencies and recalls the need for a selective and gradual approach. As participation in Community programmes can entail sizeable expenditure for a partner country, IPA support may be used to prepare for participation and to co-finance the costs.

2.5 Link with National Development Plan (where applicable)

Not applicable.

2.6 Link with national / sectoral investment plans (where applicable)

Not applicable.

3. Description of project

3.1 Background and justification:

The EU agreed in the Thessaloniki Agenda to open participation in Community Programmes to the Western Balkan countries, following the approach used in the past for candidate countries. The Commission proposed concrete steps in its Communication of 3 December 2003², underlining the need for a selective and gradual approach.

Further to the Thessaloniki Agenda for the Western Balkans and in line with its Communication “Preparing for the participation of the Western Balkan countries in Community programmes and agencies”³ the Commission negotiated respective Framework Agreements with the beneficiaries. Consequently, EU funds may be used to prepare for participation and to co-finance the costs.

These agreements were signed on 22 November 2004, on the occasion of the EU Western Balkans Forum, assent was then given by the European Parliament on 10 May 2005 and, finally, Council proceeded with the conclusion of the agreements on 2 June 2005⁴. The Framework Agreement has been ratified by the country on 10 June 2005 and finally entered into force on 29 June 2005.

The beneficiary has expressed its interest to participate, inter alia, in the following Community Programmes and Agencies in the medium term:

Community Programmes

- 7th Research Framework Programme
- PROGRESS
- Competition and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP)
 - CIP- Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme (CIP-EIP)
 - CIP- Intelligent Energy- Europe (CIP-IEE)
 - CIP- Policy Support Programme (CIP-ICT)
- Citizens for Europe
- Culture
- Life+
- Media

² Communication of the Commission “Preparing for the participation of the Western Balkan countries in Community programmes and agencies” [COM (2003) 748 of 3.12.03] – accessible on the internet at: http://europa.eu.int/comm/external_relations/see/docs/com03_748_en.pdf

³ COM(2003) 748 final of 03/12/2003

⁴ The Council decisions and the framework agreements have been published in the Official Journal *OJ L 192 of 22.07.2005*

- Integrated Life-Long Learning
- Youth in Action
- Fiscalis
- Customs
- Public Health

Community Agencies:

- European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop)
- Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO)
- European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA)
- European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)
- European Medicines Agency (EMA)
- European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
- European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (EUROFOUND)
- European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)
- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)
- European Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA)
- European Environment Agency (EEA)
- European Railway Agency (ERA)
- European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)
- Committee for Civil Protection

Prior to the participation in the Community Programmes on Life-long Learning and Youth in Action a national agency for managing these programmes must be established. With support of IPA 2007 funds this agency, called the National Agency for European Programmes in the field of Education and Mobility, has been created in September 2007 and it is expected that the agency will be accredited and fully operational in the beginning of 2009.

As under CARDS 2005, funds were made available to co-finance the financial contribution for the participation in Community Programmes and Agencies, Thus, these funds are being used to pay the entry tickets for participating in some of the listed programmes, notably the 7th Research Framework Programme (for the years 2007 and 2008), PROGRESS (2007), and CIP-EIP (2007, 2008).

The participation of the beneficiary in Community Programmes follows specific terms and conditions set out for each such programme in a so called Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). Such a MoU has already been concluded (by the beneficiary and the Commission) with regard to:

- the 7th Research Framework Programme
- PROGRESS
- CIP-EIP
- Culture Programme

As regards the Community Programmes *Citizens for Europe, Fiscalis, Customs, CIP- ICT, CIP-IEE, Media 2007 and Health Programme* the signature of a MoU is planned to take place in the first and second quarter of 2008. The MoU for the *Life-long Learning and Youth in Action Programmes* are expected to be concluded by the end of 2008.

With a view to fully participating in certain Community Agencies in 2008, the beneficiary has agreed to welcome gradual participation in all 10 Community Agencies opened to candidate countries. During 2007 the beneficiary expressed interest for participation in the European Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), and has been participating as observer with the European Environment Agency, European Food Safety Agency and the Financial Instrument for Civil Protection.

Initial contact and primary cooperation has been realized with the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control, European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction, European Agency for Safety and Health at Work and European Medicines Agency.

3.2 Assessment of project impact, catalytic effect, sustainability and cross border impact (where applicable)

The impact of the project will be manifold, reflecting the diversity of the listed Community Programmes and Agencies in which the beneficiary intends to participate. The aim and supported activities of each programme can be found on the European Union's internet homepage.

In a generic approach it can be said that participation in Community Programmes and Agencies is expected to support the country's efforts towards faster integration and cohesion by facilitating transfer of know how and good practice, in particularly in those areas which are key reference points for the reform process. It is expected that the projects implemented will enhance public awareness and information on the EU. It will allow citizens, companies and national administrations of candidate countries to join in co-operation and exchange networks in very different areas covered by Community Programmes and thus benefit from experiences of other partners.

Clearly, the expected impact of participating in Community Programmes and Agencies as outlined above will most likely generate a series of positive catalytic effects. For instance, enlarged personal or institutional networks also enlarge the scope for follow-up activities and offers access to an increased information market. In cases of transfer of know-how and best practices, especially in more innovative areas, we may expect positive spill over effects (i.e. improved X-efficiency) thus multiplying the value added of the initial output.

In as far as the neighbouring countries participate in the same Community Programmes, good practices can be exchanged and joint project-initiatives can be supported.

3.3 Results and measurable indicators

Expected Results

The project implementation shall generate the following results:

- The beneficiary participates in all Programmes and Agencies as listed below (see 3.4 Activities).
- Appropriate participation in the Community Programmes and Agencies fully in line with the provisions outlined in the respective MoUs.

Measurable Indicators

The measurable indicators include:

- The ratio of number of Community Programmes and Agencies the beneficiary participates in to those mentioned in the indicative list;
- Number of persons participating in Community Programmes;
- Number of persons participating in Community Programmes relative to the respective costs (and relative to entry ticket);
- Number of projects;
- Number of projects relative to the respective costs (and relative to entry ticket);
- Comparison of these indicators with past experience and other beneficiaries.

Qualitative assessment of the beneficiary's participation in Community Programmes and Agencies will be done through the evaluation reports provided by the respective line DGs responsible for the management of a specific programme.

3.4 Activities:

The aim is to co-finance the participation of the beneficiary in, inter alia, the following indicative list of Community Programmes and Agencies in 2009 and, depending on the availability of funds, in subsequent years:⁵

Community Programmes

- 7th Research Framework Programme
- PROGRESS
- CIP-EIP, ICT, IEE
- Citizens for Europe
- Culture
- Media
- Fiscalis
- Customs
- Health
- Integrated Life-Long Learning
- Youth in Action

Community Agencies:

- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)
- European Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA)

- Financial Instrument for Civil Protection
- European Environmental Agency (EEA)

The exact financial allocation to be paid by the beneficiary for participating in Community Programmes and Agencies are determined in the relevant MoU signed between the beneficiary and the respective line DG. The EU's contribution to the entry ticket will be negotiated between the beneficiary and DG ELARG, normally before the MoU is signed.

The participation of the beneficiary in Community Programmes shall follow the specific terms and conditions set out for each such programme in the MoU.

The contracting arrangements are as follows:

Following the signature of the MoU and following a request by the beneficiary, the Commission signs one or more grant contracts with the beneficiary over the co-financing amount. All contracting and payments are expected to be done after the signing of the Financing Agreement. The IPA funds are transferred to the country as reimbursement after it has paid its entry-tickets to the programme, on the basis of a grant contract, request for funds by the beneficiary and proof of payment.

Conditionality and sequencing:

⁵ With a view to fully participating in certain Community Agencies in 2008, the beneficiary is still in the preliminary phase of its participation in Community Agencies. Where appropriate and depending on the availability of funds the participation in Community Programmes and Agencies other than those mentioned in the indicative list may be supported, in the amount of 2 million EUR IPA funds.

Co-financing of entry tickets for participating in a certain programmes will only be progressed once a respective MoU between the Commission and the beneficiary has been signed. Prior to the participation in the Community Programmes Life-long Learning and Youth in Action the relevant national agency must be fully operational which is expected to be done in the course of 2009. Prior to the participation in an Agency, the country will be assessed on the basis of its readiness to participate as an observer, following the undertaken preparatory actions for participation.

3.5 Linked activities

As already mentioned, CARDS 2005 funds (EUR 1.0 million, shall be used to pay the entry tickets for participating in Community Programmes in 2007 and 2008 (i.e. 7th Research Framework Programme, CIP, PROGRESS⁶).

IPA 2007 has envisaged the amount of EUR 0.94 million for financing the entry tickets of the following programmes

- PROGRESS
- CIP- ICT, IEE
- Citizens for Europe
- Culture
- Life+
- Media
- Fiscalis
- Customs

Under IPA 2007, another EUR 0.9 million have been allocated for building the capacity of the National Agency for Lifelong Learning and Youth in Action.

3.6 Lessons learned

The beneficiary currently has little familiarity with participating in Community Programmes and Agencies. Experience from the enlargement context, shows that successful participation in Community Programmes and Agencies requires a high degree of ownership and initiative by the beneficiary. (Pro-)Active involvement by the beneficiary in gathering the necessary information on programmes, procedures and working methods as well as in establishing networks and structures and informing the public are essential in order to reap the benefits of participation in programmes and agencies. Against this background it is thus very important, that the beneficiary continuous to develop a good sense and plan of the overall activities to be followed.

⁶ For PROGRESS the entry ticket for participating in 2007 will be co-financed with CARDS funds whereas the entry ticket for 2008 will be co-financed through IPA funds.

4. Indicative Budget (in mill. EUR)

			SOURCES OF FUNDING									
			TOTAL EXP.RE	IPA COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION		NATIONAL CONTRIBUTION					PRIVATE CONTRIBUTION	
ACTIVITIES	IB (1)	INV (1)	EUR (a)=(b)+(c)+(d)	EUR (b)	% (2)	Total EUR (c)=(x)+(y)+(z)	% (2)	Central EUR (x)	Regional/Local EUR (y)	IFIs EUR (z)	EUR (d)	% (2)
Activity 1 – Community Programmes			2.074.294	1.676.000	80.8	398.294	19.2	398.294				
1.	FP7 (2009)	X	718.000	502.600	70	215.400	30	215.400				
2.	PROGRESS (2009)	X	160.000	128.000	80	32.000	20	32.000				
3.	CIP- EIP (2009)	X	95.320	66.724	70	28.596	30	28.596				
4.	CIP- IEE (2009)	X	256.360	230.724	90	25.636	10	25.636				
5.	CIP- ICT (2009)	X	34.176	30.758	90	3.418	10	3.418				
6.	Citizens for Europe (2009)	X	15.000	13.500	90	1.500	10	1.500				
7.	Media (2009)	X	28.000	25.200	90	2.800	10	2.800				
8.	Culture (2009)	X	32.000	25.600	80	6.400	20	6.400				
9.	Fiscalis (2009)	X	40.000	32.000	80	8.000	20	8.000				
10.	Customs (2009)	X	50.000	40.000	80	10.000	20	10.000				
11.	Health (2009)	X	100.000	90.000	90	10.000	10	10.000				
12.	Lifelong Learning (2009 or 2010) and Youth in Action (2009 or 2010)	X	545.438	490.894	90	54.544	10	54.544				
Activity 2 – Community Agencies			405.000	324.000	80	81.000	20	81.000				
1.	European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction	X	110.000	88.000	80	22.000	20	22.000				

2.	European Fundamental Rights Agency	X		175.000	140.000	80	35.000	20	35.000				
3.	Financial Instrument for Civil Protection	X		20.000	16.000	80	4.000	20	4.000				
4.	European Environmental Agency	X		100.000	80.000	80	20.000	20	20.000				
TOTAL IB				2.479.294	2.000.000		479.294		479.294				
TOTAL INV													
TOTAL PROJECT				2.479.294	2.000.000	80.7	479.294	19.3	479.294				

Amounts net of VAT

(1) In the Activity row use "X" to identify whether IB or INV

(2) Expressed in % of the **Total** Expenditure (column (a))

The entry tickets for LLP, YA and the EEA are an estimation; no data was received from the respective DG's.

4. Indicative Implementation Schedule (periods broken down per quarter)

	(Expected) Signature of MoU	Signature of contract	Payment
<i>Community Programmes</i>			
1. FP7 (2009)	signed in 2007	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
2. PROGRESS (2009)	signed in 2007	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
3. CIP- EIP (2009)	signed in 2007	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
4. CIP- IEE (2009)	Q3 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
5. CIP- ICT (2009)	Q2 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
6. Citizens for Europe (2009)	Q2 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
7. Media (2009)	Q3 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
8. Culture (2009)	signed in 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
9. Fiscalis (2009)	Q2 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
10. Customs (2009)	Q2 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
11. Health (2009)	Q3 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
12. Lifelong Learning (2009 or 2010) and Youth in Action (2009 or 2010)	Q4 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
13.			
<i>Community Agencies</i>			
14. European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction	Q4 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
15. European Fundamental Rights Agency	Q3 2008	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
16. Financial Instrument for Civil Protection	Q1 2009	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009
17. European Environment Agency	Q1 2009	Qu4 2009	Qu4 2009

6. Cross-cutting issues (where applicable)

- **Equal opportunity**

The beneficiary has to ensure that selection of and selection criteria for participants to Community Programmes and Agencies are based on the principle of equal treatment and non-discrimination for grounds as outlined in the European Charta of Fundamental Rights.

- **6Environment**

The European Community has a longstanding commitment to address environmental concerns in its assistance programmes (as part of a wider commitment to sustainable development). Key references include art. 6 of the Treaty and also the Cardiff process, which foresees the systematic consideration of environmental aspects in EC development cooperation and in other policies.

- **Minorities**

As regards minorities, the beneficiary has to ensure that selection of and selection criteria for participants to Community Programmes and Agencies are based on the principle non-discrimination of minorities.

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 - e) Reference to national / sectoral investment plans
- 5 - Details per EU funded contract (*) where applicable.
 - *For TA contracts*: account of tasks expected from the contractor
 - *For Twinning covenants*: account of tasks expected from the team leader, resident twinning advisor and short term experts
 - *For Grant schemes*: account of components of the scheme
 - *For Investment contracts*: reference list of feasibility study as well as technical specifications and cost price schedule + section to be filled in on investment criteria
 - *For works contracts*: reference list of feasibility study for the constructing works part of the contract as well as a section on investment criteria (**); account of services to be carried out for the service part of the contract

(*) non standard aspects (in case of derogation to PRAG) also to be specified

(**) section on investment criteria (applicable to all infrastructure contracts and construction works):

- Rate of return
- Co-financing
- Compliance with state aids provisions
- Ownership of assets (current and after project completion)

ANNEX 1: Log frame in standard format

LOGFRAME PLANNING MATRIX FOR Community Programmes and Agencies Project Fiche	Programme name and number: Participation in Community Programmes and Agencies		
	Contracting period expires two years from the date of the conclusion of the Financing Agreement	Execution period expires two years from the final date for contracting	Disbursement period expires one year from the final date for execution of contracts.
		Total budget: EUR 2.5 million	IPA budget: EUR 2.0 million
Overall objective	Objectively verifiable indicators	Sources of Verification	
The overall objective of the project is to give support to the beneficiary to participate in Community Programmes and Agencies.	Not applicable	Not applicable	
Project purpose	Objectively verifiable indicators	Sources of Verification	Assumptions
The purpose of the project is to co-finance the costs of the "entry-tickets" which the beneficiary has to pay for participating in Community Programmes and Agencies.	Payments to the beneficiary in order to co-finance the various entry tickets	CRIS	None
Results	Objectively verifiable indicators	Sources of Verification	Assumptions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The beneficiary participates in the Community Programmes and Agencies as outlined in the Project Fiche. • To achieve appropriate participation in the Community Programmes and Agencies in line with the provisions outlined in the respective MoUs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ratio of number of Community Programmes and Agencies the beneficiary participates in to those mentioned in the indicative list; • Number of persons participating in Community Programmes; • Number of persons participating in Community Programmes relative to the respective costs (and relative to entry ticket); • Number of projects; • Number of projects relative to the respective costs (and relative to entry ticket); • Comparison of these indicators with past experience and other beneficiaries. 	Evaluation reports provided by the respective line DGs responsible for the management of a specific programme.	None

Activities	Means	Costs (IPA; in EUR)	Assumptions
To co-finance the participation of the beneficiary in the following indicative list of Community Programmes:			The respective MoUs are signed in time and the beneficiary is paying the entry ticket.
FP7 (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	502.600	
PROGRESS (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	128.000	
CIP – EIP (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	66.724	
CIP – IEE (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	230.724	
CIP – ICT (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	30.758	
Citizens for Europe (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	13.500	
Media (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	25.200	
Culture (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	25.600	
Fiscalis (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	32.000	
Customs (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	40.000	
Health (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	90.000	
LLP (2009 or 2010) and Youth in action (2009 or 2010)	Grant with the beneficiary	490.894	
European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	88.000	
European Fundamental Rights Agency (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	140.000	
Financial Instrument for Civil Protection (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	16.000	
European Environment Agency (2009)	Grant with the beneficiary	80.000	

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Preconditions

- Signature of the respective MoU;
- Assessment by the respective Agency

ANNEX 2 - Amounts (in million EUR) contracted and Disbursed per Quarter over the full duration of Programme (IPA funds only)

Contracted	Q1 2009	Q2 2009	Q3 2009	Q4 2009	Q1 2010	Q2 2010	Q3 2010	Q4 2010
FP7				502.600				
PROGRESS				128.000				
CIP - EIP				66.724				
CIP - IEE				230.724				
CIP - ICT				30.758				
Europe for Citizens				13.500				
Media				25.200				
Culture				25.600				
Fiscalis				32.000				
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European Fundamental Rights Agency				140.000				
Financial Instrument for Civil Protection				16.000				
European Environment Agency				80.000				
Cumulated				2.000.000				

Annex 2– contd.

Disbursed	Q1 2009	Q2 2009	Q3 2009	Q4 2009	Q1 2010	Q2 2010	Q3 2010	Q4 2010
FP7				502.600				
PROGRESS				128.000				
CIP - EIP				66.724				
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ANNEX 3 – Description of Institutional Framework

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ANNEX 4 - Reference to laws, regulations and strategic documents:

4.a) Reference list of relevant laws and regulations

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4.b) Reference to AP / NPAA / EP / SAA

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4.d) Reference to National Development Plan

Not applicable

4.e) Reference to national / sectoral investment plan

Not applicable

ANNEX 5 - Details per EU funded contract

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