Key figures of the project:

Resources:

- 879 working days MS short term expert input
- 60 working days study visit to MS for Montenegrin officials
- 1 Resident Twinning Advisor (RTA),
- 1 RTA assistant,
- 1 language assistant

Project duration:

21 month, from 1st February 2010 to 31st October 2011

Budget: 1 500 000 EUR

Communication, reporting and controlling:

- Weekly jour fixe
- Regular coordination meetings with MIDAS
- Project share point web site: www.ic-ama.com
- Training evaluation
- Quarterly reports
- Quarterly steering committee meetings
- Final report, audit certificate

Share point web site as a communication tool



Overall project objective:

To enhance the rural development of Montenegro in line with the requirements of the Stabilization and Association Process, and the adoption of the acquis communautaire.

Project Purpose:

To help create the institutional, strategic and legislative setup required for the MAFWM to implement rural development policy in line with the demands of the rural development component of the Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPARD).

The project is divided into 3 components:

Component I "Preparation of an IPARD Programme in line with the European Commission Rules"

The main results of actions from the Component I will be IPARD Programme which is ready for submission to the Commission, developed capacity for strategic decision making within the MAFWM and having the MAFWM prepared for playing its role as IPARD Managing Authority. It is also planned to have national and secondary legislation of IPARD compliant with the relevant RD acquis communautaire and to have prepared procedures for implementation of RD measures.

Component II "Setting up an accredited Montenegro IPARD Agency at national level"

Within this component, a support will be given to the establishment of the unit within the MAFWM, which will perform the IPARD paying functions, in order to have the IPARD Agency prepared for accreditation. In order to achieve this, identification of tasks and scope will be performed and organizational chart will be prepared along with the job description and assessment of the staffing needs.

Installation of the IT system of RD measures is also planned within this component, in order to have fully operational IT system.

Component III "Dissemination of information and transfer of know how to the beneficiary institution staff"

Practical trainings will be arranged for the staff of the RD institutions. Since it is necessary to include and inform also the agricultural stakeholders, various workshops, trainings and study visits will be organized. Information campaign will be organized, which will include the website, leaflets and helpdesk.

As a result of this, it is expected to have a more involved and informed agriculture stakeholders on RD policy and initiatives.

At the end, the project will be reviewed and evaluated.



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