



Interoffice memorandum

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Subject: Request to close the 2012 project with output number 00082772

This memo is to request the closure of the project output 00082772, also called "Evaluation UNV and AECID". This is a project from 2012 and ERCS is supporting its closure, given its close relationship with the donor that funded this initiative (Spain).

In 2010, under the leadership of UNV's Evaluations Unit, UNV was planning to evaluate the collaboration with its major donors. In that context, Spain, through the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID) expressed their interest to document the collaboration with UNV, and to assess the impact of AECID-funded volunteers. Spain also agreed to cover the costs of the evaluation.

The proposed evaluation would be conducted by an independent evaluation expert, with support from an AECID fully funded UN volunteer who would be part of the international evaluation team. The evaluation would include the following methodologies: 1) a desk-based systematization to serve as future reference for mapping of volunteers funded by AECID and the UN organizations they supported; 2) case studies; 3) focus groups. A scoping mission would then be conducted in the spring of 2012 and the evaluation was expected to be completed in the spring of 2013.

However, after two attempts to prepare the evaluation and due to several challenges (UNV internal), the evaluation was cancelled.

Despite the cancellation, and thanks to the strong alliance between UNV and AECID, the donor agreed to turn it into a publication on the UNV / AECID partnership to be elaborated by UNV. The publication was produced in 2014 and it is available in UNV's website [UNV AECID 20 Years](#).

Considering the abovementioned information, I recommend the closure of the project output 00082772 as the project is no longer operational. This memo will authorize UNV's Finance and Budget Section to close the output without the full process of operational/financial closure.

Thank you for your consideration.