



## Annual Work Plan 2014 Inclusion of Roma

Country: Republic of Croatia

### Expected CP Outcome:

Social inclusion of Roma in Croatian Counties with the highest proportion of Roma in their total population is enhanced through creation of sustainable partnerships and practices promoting equal access and participation of Roma and other disadvantaged groups in local social and economic development.

### Expected CP Outputs:

#### – Output 1

Coordination and partnerships between key national stakeholders working on Roma inclusion issue enhanced.

#### – Output 2

The capacity of local institutions improved to respond timely and adequately to diverse needs of Roma in terms of policy making, service delivery and monitoring.

#### – Output 3

The capacity of Roma civil sector improved to develop grassroots initiatives to medium sized projects with funding committed from national sources or EU funds.

#### – Output 4

Roma communities have better access to public basic services and are empowered to initiate social activities in their communities.

### Implementing partners:

Government Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities;

### Other Partners:

Roma National Council; Project Generation Facility (PGF) / Center for Peace, Legal Advice and Psychosocial Assistance Vukovar; Offices for social issues of Medjmurje and Sisak-Moslavina Counties; City of Čakovec; City of Sisak; Croatian Employment Service local offices of Čakovec, Sisak and Kutina; Centres for Social Welfare of Čakovec and Sisak; Roma Minority Council Medjmurje County; Roma Minority Council Sisak-Moslavina County; Roma Minority Council Kuršanec.

## Narrative

Even though Croatia joined the European Union and has committed itself to the highest standards of human rights protection and social inclusion of vulnerable groups, Roma in Croatia (30 000 people - estimates of Council of Europe) still face many of the same problems as Roma in the rest of South-Eastern Europe in terms of securing basic rights, including access to education, employment, social services, health and housing. In Croatia in 2013 (UNDP survey): 92.31 % of Roma still live in relative poverty compared to 42 % of their neighbors and 30% of Croatian average; 26 % of Roma are completing elementary school and only 10% of them complete secondary school; 65% of Roma labor force is unemployed, compared to 24% of non-Roma.

Aiming to support both, national and county level policy making, as well as its implementation, monitoring and evaluation, UNDP Croatia established during Project's first phase partnerships with the Croatian Government Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities (GOHRRNM) as well as with Roma representatives, representatives of public administration on county/local level and civil society organizations.

Based on the results and momentum created in the Međimurje and in Sisak-Moslavina Counties, as well as given the interest from stakeholders to continue support (including from other Counties), UNDP will continue in 2014 with the project *"Platform for Roma inclusion in Međimurje and Sisak-Moslavina Counties - phase II"* to address processes of longstanding exclusion of Roma in Croatia through a comprehensive and all-inclusive strategy (donor: Open Society Foundations).

Project specific objectives are the following ones:


- 1) To enhance coordination and partnerships between key national stakeholders working on Roma inclusion issue;
- 2) To improve the capacity of local institutions to respond timely and adequately to diverse needs of Roma in terms of policy making, service delivery and monitoring;
- 3) To improve the capacity of Roma civil sector to develop grassroots initiatives to medium sized projects with funding allocated from national sources or EU funds.
- 4) To enable Roma communities access to sustainable and good quality public services and empower them to initiate social activities in their communities.

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| Programme Period:    | 2013-2015   |
| Programme Component: | Social Inclusion  |
| Intervention Title:  | SOS: Platform for Roma inclusion in Međimurje and Sisak-Moslavina Counties - phase II |
| Budget Code:         |   |
| Duration:            | 05/2014-05/2015<br>(12 months)  |

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| Estimated annualized budget: 100 000, 00 USD |
| Allocated resources: 100 000, 00 USD         |
| Regular (UNDP): 30 000,00 USD                |
| Other: 70 000, 00 USD                        |
| Donors: Open Society Foundation (OSI)        |

**Agreed by (Implementing Partners):**

**Croatian Government Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities (GOHRRNM)**

(Signature) 

Name: Branko Sočanac, Director

Date: 21st May 2014

Place: Zagreb, Croatia



**United Nations Development Programme Country Office Croatia (UNDP)**

(Signature) 

Name: Louisa Vinton, Resident Representative

Date: 21st May 2014

Place: Zagreb, Croatia



## Annual Work Plan

Year: 2014

| EXPECTED CP OUTPUTS  | PLANNED ACTIVITIES  | TIMEFRAME |    |    |    | RESPONSIBLE PARTY | PLANNED BUDGET  |                    |              |
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|  |   | Q1        | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |                   | Source of Funds | Budget Description | Amount (USD) |
| <b>Output 1:</b><br>Coordination and partnerships between key national stakeholders working on Roma inclusion issue enhanced   | 1.1. A total of 8 coordination meetings organised with key national and international stakeholders working on Roma inclusion issue to improve coordination of their mutual activities and enhance partnerships and joint actions.   | X         | X  | X  | X  | UNDP              | OSI<br>UNDP     | OSI<br>UNDP        | 3000,00      |
| <b>Output 2:</b><br>The capacity of local institutions improved to respond timely and adequately to diverse needs of Roma in terms of policy making, service delivery and monitoring | 2.1. Support in development of County Action plans for Roma inclusion in 3 Counties (Brodsko-Posavska, Osječko-Baranjska, and Vukovarsko-srijemska Counties).<br>2.2. County Atlas of Roma settlements in Sisak-Moslavina County developed.<br>2.3. Land and housing stock regularised and legalised for Roma settlement Capraške Poljane (based on detailed urban development plan).<br>2.4. Local authorities and institutions in Međimurje and Sisak-Moslavina Counties supported for development of medium to large size EU projects linked to economic and social inclusion of Roma issue and directly involving Roma organizations in partnerships. | X         | X  | X  | X  | UNDP              | OSI<br>UNDP     | OSI<br>UNDP        | 24000,00     |
|  |   | X         | X  |    |    | UNDP              | OSI<br>UNDP     | OSI<br>UNDP        | 5000,00      |
|  |   | X         | X  |    |    | UNDP              | OSI<br>UNDP     | OSI<br>UNDP        | 23000,00     |
|  |   | X         | X  | X  | X  | UNDP              | OSI<br>UNDP     | OSI<br>UNDP        | 10000,00     |

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| <b>Output 3:</b><br>The capacity of Roma civil sector improved to develop grassroots initiatives to medium sized projects with funding committed from national sources or EU funds | <b>3.1.</b> Roma and non-Roma grassroots organizations supported in Međimurje and Sisak-Moslavina Counties for development of grassroots initiatives to medium sized national and EU projects. | X | X | X | X | X | UNDP | OSI<br>UNDP | OSI<br>UNDP | 10000,00                  |
| <b>Output 4:</b><br>Roma communities have better access to public basic services and are empowered to initiate social activities in their communities                              | <b>4.1.</b> Mobile teams operating in Roma settlements in Međimurje and Sisak-Moslavina Counties established.  | X | X | X | X | X | UNDP | OSI<br>UNDP | OSI<br>UNDP | 25000,00                  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |  |   |   |   |   |   |      |             |             | <del>100 000</del><br>USD |