United Nations Development Programme Country: Montenegro Amendment of the Project Document

Project Title

Transforming Environmental and Security Risks into Cooperation in the SEE Region – Phase II

Expected CP Outcome(s):

(Those linked to the project and extracted from the CPAP)

Balanced and equitable regional economic growth based on sustainable planning and use of natural resources that will provide a high quality of life and long-term economic opportunities for its inhabitants

Expected Output(s):

(Those that will result from the project and extracted from the CPAP)

Human security risks from climate, industry and environment reduced through improved management and response systems

Implementing Partner: Responsible Parties:

UNDP, as partner within ENVSEC Initiative UNDP CO Montenegro

Brief Description: The purpose of this project is prevention and mitigation of environmental and security risks, particularly those relating to trans-boundary risks from hazardous activities. This project is continuation of the previous ENVSEC project (with the same name) funded by the Government of Finland and including same 4 priority areas:

- A. Management and Reduction of Trans-boundary Risks from Hazardous Activities;
- B. Management of Shared Natural Resources;
- C. Strengthening regional cooperation on environmental governance through participatory and informed decision making and implementation processes and
- D. Adaptation to the Impacts of Climate Change.

UNDP Montenegro, as one of the ENVSEC partners, will be working within the priority area A, and will support: i) identification and discussion of specific EU accession risk (water directive, mining directive, industrial sites) and needs related to the mining risk sites (by site/country) and ii) development of relevant related technical documentation in preparation for the physical works for partners and benefitiaries.

Programme Period: <u>January - December 2013</u>

Key Result Area (Strategic Plan):

Atlas Award ID:

E0202

Start date:

59392

End Date

January 1, 2013 December 31, 2013

PAC Meeting Date:

Management Arrangements:

DIM

YYYY AWP budget:

2013

Total resources required

130,000 EUR

Total allocated resources:

130,000 EUR

Donor: Austrian Development Cooperation - ADC

AMENDMENT OF THE PROJECT DOCUMENT RELATIVE TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXISTING PROJECT WITH THE FUNDS CONTRIBUTED BY THE NEW DONOR

Project: Transforming Environmental and Security Risks into Cooperation in the SEE Region – Management and Reduction of Trans-boundary Risks from hazardous Activities

UNDP project number 74248

Project Objective

The **overall objective** of this project is to contribute to the reduction of environment and security risks, and to the increased co-operation around environment and security issues in the region of SEE. On macro level, the project will address the overarching goal of the Austrian Development Cooperation (ADC) to preserve environment, and to a limited extend ensure peace and human security via cross-border conflict resolution and the strengthening of the rule of law and democratic institutions in the countries. The project will also address the issues of strengthening regional cooperation on environmental governance through participatory and informed decision-making and implementation processes.

Project Purpose

The purpose of this project is prevention and mitigation of environmental risks interlinked with security risks, particularly those relating to trans-boundary risks from hazardous activities, management of shared natural resources, adaptation to climate change and promotion of participatory and informed decision-making and implementation processes. The proposed project activities are interrelated and in particular the cross-cutting priorities of climate change and awareness raising/public participation greatly contribute to the implementation of the other two priorities on hazardous activities and management of shared natural resources.

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- B. Management of Shared Natural Resources
- C. Strengthening regional cooperation on environmental governance through participatory and informed decision making and implementation processes
- D. Adaptation to the Impacts of Climate Change for Reducing Security Risks in SEE

As in the previous programme, UNDP Montenegro has been primarily involved within **Priority Area A:**Management and Reduction of Trans-boundary Risks from Hazardous Activities.

In general project activities include policy integration, capacity building of government institutions (including local government), hotspot risk mitigation, and civil society strengthening and promotion of good environmental governance. Thus, the project will contribute to improved knowledge and understanding on practises and management of environmental and security risks and will provide

assistance to the beneficiary countries in addressing issues deriving from the EU Accession process. This task will be achieved by targeting better law enforcement and compliance of relevant EU directives and international agreement, particularly in the area of management and reduction of trans-boundary risks from hazardous activities and management of natural resources.

Activities

In order to achieve the project purpose a number of different activities in all four priority areas will be implemented. The list of activities is presented in the table below. **UNDP Montenegro will be in charge of implementing activities A 1 and A 2, in the period January – December 2013**.

Following the previous practice under the ENVSEC, due to the fact that activities will be implemented as part of the programme, each activity is considered as separate project.

	Activity of madit agree	Implementing ENVSEC organization	Amount in EUR
Prio	rity A: Management and reduction of trans-bounda	ry risks from hazardou	s activities
A.1	Identification and discussion of specific EU accession risk (water directive, mining directive, industrial sites) and needs related to the mining risk sites (by site/country), including ssupport to the implementation of UNECE Convention on Trans-boundary Effects of Industrial Accidents and SEVESO II Directive on the control of majoraccident hazards involving dangerous substances	UNDP/REC/UNECE	100.000
A.2	Development of relevant related technical documentation in preparation for the physical works for prtners and benefitiaries	UNDP	30.000
A.3	Mapping and assessment of active mining sites and analysis of possible environmental risks in the management and future closure (Collection of primary and secondary sources of data for the creation of maps)	UNEP/UNDP	25.000
A.4	Regional dialogue for improved management and reduced environmental risk of active mine sites(Workshops with public and private sector of mining stakeholder groups for UNEP the creation of a framework)	UNEP	30.000
A.5	Public-private partnerships promoted for shared responsibilities and interventions in reducing environmental risk from active mining sites (Stakeholder meeting with public and private sectors)	UNEP	25.000
Prior	ity B: Management of shared natural resources	rections the Constanting	sectional Con-
B.1	Better understanding of economic possibilities in existing or to be proclaimed protected areas	UNEP/REC	50.000
B.2	Improved regional dialogue and cooperation among mountain protected areas	UNEP	30.000

B.3	Addressing the risks of forest fires in the SEE	REC/OSCE	90.000
B.4	Improving coordination among the members and enhanced communication to the public on environmental projects and data availability in the region under the Dinaric Arc Initiative	REC/UNEP	40.000
	rity C: Strengthening regional cooperation on environicipatory and informed decision making and implement		rough
C. 1	Support Aarhus Centres' activities in promoting public awareness and participatory decision-making on environment and security issues and promote regional networking among them to address collectively priority environmental issues of joint concern	OSCE	90.000
C.2.	Promoting environmental mediation as a tool for effective public participation and conflict resolution on environmental matters	REC/OSCE	30.000
C. 3	Strengthening Access to Justice in Environmental Matters in SEE through: Country studies and a regional study on the key issues of access to justice (focusing on standing, remedies and costs); broad discussion on findings) and development of a capacity building programme	REC/OSCE/UNECE	70.000
Prior	ity D: Adaptation to the impacts of climate change for	reducing security risk	cs in SFF
D.1	Support to long-term country planning on reducing biodiversity loss from climate change effects in the region through regional cooperation and dialogue	UNEP/REC	50.000
D.2	Experience sharing and coordination mechanisms with the IFS project and other ENVSEC relevant projects in the other regions for mutual learning and full complement	UNEP	40.000
D.3	Building capacities for comprehensive quantitative and qualitative Vulnerability and Adaptation (V&A) assessment and raising awareness of stakeholders and population on climate change adaptation	REC	60.000
D.4	Study on ecosystem services as potential adaptation measures in a chosen region in a mountain area of Dinaric arc with Inventory of ecosystem services and ecological m networks	REC	50.000
	ity E: SEE Regional Cooperation		
E	Regional Coordination of ENVSEC SEE Work Programme	REC/UNEP	240.000

Methodology

The ENVSEC project management method provides a structured framework to manage the multi annual project with a set of activities from its beginning until closure, and also ensures that the project achieves its objectives. It provides a set of techniques, tools and templates to organize each phase of the project work. The ENVSEC uses the project cycle management method together with logical framework matrix to design, implement, monitor and control, and evaluate projects. The entire project management cycle was, is and will be carefully planned, monitored and evaluated, with special oversight during the implementation phase. EC Project Management Cycle Guidelines as well as the ENVSEC guidelines for project cycle, ensuring diligent implementation, financial transparency and high ethical standards are adhered to. The implementing organizations will constantly monitor and update the log frame, as primary tool to track progress, identify bottlenecks and keep the expected results as a constant target. Immanent in the ENVSEC operations, beneficiary countries were involved in the project pre-stages of needs identification and activity design, striving for regional ownership to the maximum extent. Regional coordination ensures harmonization with other interventions in the countries and region, while maintaining a network of ENVSEC National Focal Points that will guarantee flow of information to key stakeholders for further strengthening the political commitment and country involvement. The ENVSEC methodology will particularly build upon the trust earned by the beneficiary countries in providing services under previous and ongoing regional programmes in the region.

In addition to the technical focus of the actions envisaged, regular communication and coordination activities are needed from the part of the ENVSEC Regional Desk Office for SEE (REC and UNEP) to steer the program. This regional coordination system of ENVSEC assists with coordination between ENVSEC partner organizations and beneficiary countries. Accompanying measures are financed through the project funds under the priority E dedicated to the regional coordination.

Evaluation

The project will be self-evaluated throughout the project implementation as well as ex-post. In order to address eventual deficiencies and weaknesses, a mid-term assessment will take place in order to amend, streamline and better target the measures/activities, if need be. The evaluations will be carried out by the ENVSEC Regional Desk Office based on the ADC "Project and Programme Evaluation" guidelines and international standards. Progress of implementation of the project is also reported by the ENVSEC Regional Desk Office at the biannual meetings of the ENVSEC Secretariat as well as ENVSEC Management Board Meetings, and at the yearly regional coordination meetings. At the end of the project a final internal evaluation will be carried out, including feedback from the stakeholders, beneficiaries etc. Results will be shared with the donors, the ENVSEC Management Board, the implementing organizations as well as with the national project partners. All evaluation results will feed the final report to the donor as well as to the design of future similar interventions proposed by the ENVSEC in the beneficiary countries.