

*Minutes of the LPAC meeting on Municipal Governance and Sustainable Development Programme (Phase III):
"Municipal Governance and Community Empowerment"
18 December, 2007*

12:00-12:30

Agenda

1. Presentation of the project document "Municipal Governance and Sustainable Development Programme (Phase III: "Municipal Governance and Community Empowerment")
2. Discussion/Comments/Recommendations.
3. Closing remarks.

Present:

Joanna Kazana-Wisniowiecka, Oksana Remiga, Sergei Volkov, Wesley Jickling, Sascha Graumann

Introduction:

The LPAC meeting was called up to discuss project document for the Municipal Governance and Sustainable Development Programme (Phase III: "Municipal Governance and Community Empowerment") which the UNDP is supposed to implement in Ukraine under the framework of Local Development Programme. The proposed next phase of the project is envisaged to continue implementation of social mobilisation approach to promote political participation of the local community (of citizens, academia, small businesses and NGOs) in the decision-making process in urban Ukraine. To this end, capacity of the local communities will be built in participatory planning, management, implementation, monitoring of development initiatives and sustainability of communal services. The Programme will also render support to government bodies at local, regional and national level; universities and municipal associations for strengthening and internalization of the approach for the longer term impact.

The brief presentation was done by Oksana Remiga, Senior Programme Manager. The presentation covered the issues of the project's goals/objectives which will be achieved through building capacity for political participation of the local communities and municipalities into decision making process and using this capacity for multi-stakeholders cooperation and multi-sectoral interventions geared towards strengthening of urban/social/economic/environmental governance ultimately leading to sustainable development.

To ensure local ownership of the process, the programme will be implemented through participating municipalities, local communities (of citizens, educational institutions, NGOs and small businesses) and other stakeholders taking participatory governance as the entry point.

The major points discussed/suggested:

- Activities of the next phase of MGSDP have to be closely coordinated with *Community Based Approach for Local Development Project*.
- Suggested incorporation of programme's good experience into work of other projects, which are applying ABD approach. It could be done in a form of trainings/knowledge sharing events
- Indicate in the Project document, that, while supporting youth initiatives, HIV/AIDS prevention activities, etc., project will rely on the expertise of other UNDP projects working in that directions;
- Make the narrative section of Management Arrangements match the diagram – be more explicit indicating members of Project Board (not SDC or other international donors, but SDC);
- Add targets for all indicators

RESOLVED THAT:

This project document was anonymously recommended for approval, subject to modifications mentioned above and approval of the management.

Prepared by Oksana Remiga



Approved by Joanna Kazana-Wisniowiecka



Municipal Governance and Sustainable Development Programme

(Phase III: “Municipal Governance and Community Empowerment”)

Under the framework of Local Development Programme, the Municipal Governance and Community Empowerment Programme (MGCEP) will continue implementation of social mobilisation approach to promote political participation of the local community (of citizens, academia, small businesses and NGOs) in the decision-making process in urban Ukraine. To this end, capacity of the local communities will be built in participatory planning, management, implementation, monitoring of development initiatives and sustainability of communal services. The Programme will also render support to government bodies at local, regional and national level; universities and municipal associations for strengthening and internalization of the approach for the longer term impact.

This objective will be achieved under the framework of public-private-partnership involving (i) decentralized institutional arrangements to strengthen participatory governance, citizen-based sustainable local development; (ii) strengthening of national/local institutional capacity to improve access to information, strategic planning systems and human resource development; (iii) introduction of legislative and policy frameworks on participatory governance for sustainable development; (iv) promoting energy efficiency and protection of the environment; (v) supporting expansion of opportunity for gainful employment, (vi) fostering environment for prevention of HIV/AIDS and (vii) promoting gender equality.

To ensure local ownership of the process, the Programme will be implemented through participating municipalities, local communities (of citizens, educational institutions, NGOs and small businesses) and other stakeholders taking participatory governance as the entry point. To achieve synergy, it will work closely with other UNDP-programmes namely Community Based Approach, Equal Opportunity, Governance of HIV/AIDS, Consumer Society and Citizens Network, Human Security for Ukrainian Youths.

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Country: Ukraine



- UNDAF Outcomes:**
1. Government institutions at national and local levels function on transparent, accountable and participatory basis that ensures the human rights of all people in Ukraine;
 2. All individuals in Ukraine are empowered to claim and enjoy their rights consistent with international standards through the strengthening of civil society, with a focus on protection of women and other disadvantaged groups;
- CPAP Outcomes:**
1. Strengthened transparency of people centred participatory governance, frameworks and mechanisms;
 2. Civil society strengthened and supported to promote participatory decision-making process;
- CPAP Outputs:**
1. Support development of decentralised institutional arrangements for local governance; citizen-based partnerships for municipal development developed;
 2. Urban employment, targeting economically and socially disadvantaged groups, supported through vocational training, SME and micro-finance
 3. Strengthened national capacities to improve strategic planning systems, develop economic and social policies and programmes;
 4. Institutional capacities of municipalities and civil society organizations strengthened through ICT, improved policies and practices related to environment and energy services
- Implementing partner:** UNDP
- Responsible parties:**
1. Committee of Verkhovna Rada on State Construction, Regional Policy & Local Self-government;
 2. Ukrainian municipalities;
 3. Ukrainian Association of Local and Regional Authorities;
 4. Community-based Organisations (CBOs) of citizens, schools, NGOs and small enterprises
 5. Rayon/Oblast Administration
 6. Ministry of Economy; Ministry of Housing and Municipal Economy
 7. National/regional Universities

UNDP/MGCEP will work towards fostering democratic governance and reducing human poverty in urban Ukraine through (i) supporting the development of decentralized institutional arrangements to strengthen participatory governance, citizen-based sustainable local development; (ii) strengthening national/local institutional capacity to improve access to information, strategic planning systems and human resource development; (iii) introducing legislative and policy frameworks on participatory governance for sustainable development; (iv) promoting energy efficiency and protection of the environment (v) supporting expansion of opportunities for gainful employment, (vi) fostering an environment for prevention of HIV/AIDS and (vii) promoting gender equality

Programme Period:	2008-2010	Estimated annualized budget:	USD 5,297,000
CPAP Programme		Allocated resources:	USD 3,181,000
Component:	Energy and Environment/ Participatory Governance	• Government	----
Project Title:	Municipal Governance and Community Empowerment Programme	• Regular (TRAC)	USD 500,000
Atlas Award ID:	00033935	• Other:	
Start Date:	1 January 2008	○ SDC	USD 326,000
End Date:	31 December 2010	○ Partner Municipalities	USD 1,905,000
PAC Meeting Date:	18 December 2007	○ Local Communities	USD 450,000
		Unfunded budget	USD 2,116,000
		In-kind Contribution	----

Agreed by (Ministry of Economy of Ukraine)

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