

ACTIVITIES OVERVIEW IN Q2/Q3/Q4

N° 2

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INTRODUCTION:

The project supporting the national AA commenced on 17th May 2016 and lasts 16 months. The total value of the project amounts to 600.000 €.

The Twinning project is being implemented with the assistance of the Central Audit Service, Dutch Ministry of Finance, in cooperation with the Croatian Agency for Audit of European Union Programmes Implementation System.

The projects mission is to contribute to the safeguarding of EU's and Beneficiary Countries financial interests through enhancement of the effective auditing of EU funded projects. The First newsletter was published on 28.12.2016. Since then the following activities were conducted:

COMPONENT 0:

Act. 03: Two (out of 5) Steering Committee Meetings were conducted in this period.

MS experts involved: MS PL: Peter Vlasveld (NL) & MS JL: Neven Šprlje (HR) - December 2016 and March 2016

Ongoing activity (60% completed)

COMPONENT 2:

Act. 2.2.1: Improved audit manuals in accordance with IPA II regulations. All five (out of 5) missions are completed to date. In Q3 and Q4, three missions took place.

MS experts involved in Mission 3: Snezana Vuković Curković (HR) & Andrej Grgić (HR) – November 2016.

MS experts involved in Mission 4: Ivan Ramljak (HR) & John Lambers (NL) - January 2017.

MS experts involved in Mission 5: Marin Stegić (HR), Marina Ivkovic (HR) & Jonh Lambers (NL) – March 2017.

Completed and mandatory result achieved 100%



Act 2.2.2: One 3-day training on all types of obligatory and required AA reporting, according to the IPA 2 requirements was conducted.

MS expert involved in the mission: Jose Ribeiro (PT) & Biserka Šerbinek Milinković (HR) – May 2017

Completed and mandatory result achieved 100%

Act. 2.3: This activity concerns both the drafting of the First Audit Strategy under IPA 2 regulations as well as updating the AA IT & Risk Strategy. Mission 1 on the Audit Strategy was described in Newsletter 1. In Q2, mission 2 on the IT and Risk strategy took place.

MS expert involved in Mission 2 (IT & Risk Strategy): Goran Zakanji (HR) & Gerie Gerritse (NL) – November/December 2016.

Completed and mandatory result achieved 100%

COMPONENT 3:

Act. 3.1 The audit processes and procedures are streamlined with the IAS, best EU practices and lessons learnt from the EU member states and EU candidate countries through execution of 6 pilot audits.

The fifth, 4-day mission on closure was executed according to plan in May 2017.

MS expert involved in Mission 5: Ivan Ramljak (HR), Helena Marija Imenjak Puškarić (HR) & Harry Jansen (NL) - May 2017

Ongoing activity and mandatory result achieved 66, 6%

Act. 3.2.2: Trained staff in relation to the fulfilment of the Audit Authority current and upcoming competences. 5 out of 6 IPA Content Trainings conducted in this period.

MS expert involved in training 1 (financial audit): Sanja Colnago (HR) & Patrick Wamper (DE) - December 2016.

MS expert involved in training 2 (audit of operations): Jose Ribeiro (PL) & Goran Zakanji (HR) - January 2017.

MS expert involved in training 3 (performance audit/major projects audit): Nata Lasmane (LT) & Sara Sirovica Kranjcec (HR) - February 2017.

MS expert involved in training 4 (closure): Ivan Ramljak (HR) & Stan van Elten (NL) – May 2017

MS expert involved in training 5 (horizontal topics including sampling): Henk Geilen (NL) & Patrick Wamper (DE) – May 2017

Ongoing activity and mandatory result achieved 83%

Act.3.2.3: in November an internship was executed in the Croatian AA (ARPA), the Junior Partner in the Project.

2 BC participants: Filip Filipovski & Mimoza Šiškovska were involved to gain hands-on experience and knowledge on performing different types of audits in the day-to-day working in the Croatian AA.

Ongoing activity (50 % completed)

Act. 3.2.4 Study Visit (Netherlands) 10 Beneficiary Institution's participants got familiar with the structure, work and approach of their fellow Dutch AA. Also other bodies in the M&C system of EU funded projects in the Netherlands were visited.

MS expert involved in this Mission: Harry Jansen (NL), Peter Vlasveld (NL), Jo Kremers (NL), Letty Huijbers (NL) – April 2017.

Ongoing activity (67 % completed)

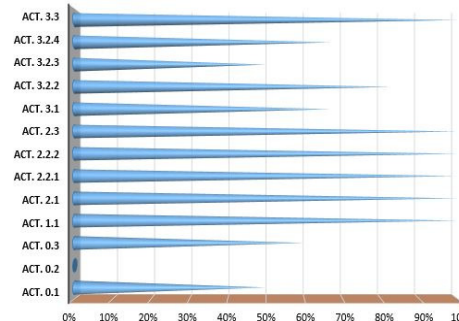


Act.3.3: Training to improve the technical capacities for the use of CAATS.

MS expert involved in this Mission: Gerard van den Berg (NL) & Goran Zakanji (HR) – February 2017.

Completed and mandatory result achieved 100%

Project progress overview



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