

## FINANCIAL MECHANISM COMMITTEE

Brussels,  
15 March 2007

**CONCLUSIONS**  
**Financial Mechanism Committee**  
*15 February 2007*

### 1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

1. The agenda was adopted.

### 2. **THE COMMITTEE MEETING 16 JANUARY 2007, DRAFT SUMMARY RECORDS AND DRAFT CONCLUSIONS**

2. The Draft Summary Records and the Draft Conclusions of the Committee meeting 16 January 2007 were adopted.

### 3. **GRANT RECOMMENDATION DOCUMENTS**

#### 3.1 **General discussion: FMO's workplan January – June 2007**

3. The FMO briefed the Committee on the status of the GRD production. As of 25 January 2007 the total grant amount approved was EUR 148 million and 326 applications had been received.

#### 3.2 **CZ0034 – Open Air Museum and Vernacular Culture in New Forms of Presentation of Cultural Heritage**

4. CZ0034 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

#### 3.3 **CZ0043 – Support to education, culture, historical heritage and children with specific problems in SBR**

5. CZ0043 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

#### 3.4 **CZ0050 – Project focused on reducing the degree of biodiversity decline on the territory of the Boh.Switz.NP**

6. CZ0050 was rejected in accordance with the GRD.

#### 3.5 **LT0007 – Seed Money Facility**

7. LT0007 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.6 MT0005 – Masterplan for the Cittadella, the old fortified city of the island of Gozo**
8. MT0005 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.7 PL0032 – Training Employees of the Warsaw Metropolitan Police in Effective Human Resource Management**
9. PL0032 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.8 PL0036 – "Competences First - Training and Courses for Employees of the Szczecin in Municipality Government"**
10. PL0036 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.9 PL0037 – Raising the professional qualifications and competence of the local government employees in the Swidnica Municipal Office and the organizational units of the Swidnica Town Community**
11. PL0037 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.10 PL0044 – Creation of open access recreation zones for children in Poznań and organisation of after school activities**
12. PL0044 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.11 PL0046 – The Promotion of Health, Care and Education Through the Development of the Sports and Recreational Infrastructure of Schools**
13. PL0046 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.12 PL0049 – Open Sports and Recreation Facilities Complex in Grodzisk Wielkopolski**
14. PL0049 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.13 PL0053 – The project "HAVE FUN FOR HEALTH", a prophylactic programme for children and young people from the communities of Gryfino, Banie, Stare Czarnowo, Widuchowa**
15. PL0053 was rejected in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.14 PL0067 – Comprehensive computerisation of blood transfusion service in Poland**
16. PL0067 was approved in accordance with the GRD.
- 3.15 PL0073 – Modelling of biomass utilization for energy purpose**
17. PL0073 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

**3.16 PL0075 – Research on application of selected telecommunications and information technologies for telemedic home care of pregnant women**

18. PL0075 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

**3.17 PL0118 – Protection of Groundwater Reservoir (GZWP-425) by expansion of the wastewater treatment plant in Świlca, Podkarpackie Voivodeship**

19. PL0118 was rejected in accordance with the GRD.

**3.18 SK0010 – Support of research in the selected research areas important for the Slovak Republic and EU (resubmission)**

20. SK0010 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

**3.19 SK0016 – The modern Kysuce - implementation of the dream of generations**

21. SK0016 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

**4. STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EEA FINANCIAL MECHANISM IN THE BENEFICIARY STATES**

**4.1 Overview of the status of implementation in the Beneficiary States – for discussion**

22. The FMO briefed the Committee on the status of implementation in the 13 Beneficiary States.

**4.2 Annual meeting: Slovakia**

23. The Slovak annual meeting is scheduled for 26 February 2007. The FMO will prepare an annotated agenda.

**4.3 Annual meeting: Czech Republic**

24. The Czech annual meeting is scheduled for 8 March 2007. The FMO will prepare an annotated agenda.

**5. CO-OPERATION WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION – REPORT BY THE NATIONAL EXPERT**

25. The National Expert briefed the Committee on the status of project screening at the Commission and informed the Committee that the Commission is preparing information material on the Financial Mechanisms for internal purposes.

**6. GUIDELINES AND POLICY ISSUES**

**6.1 Efficiency issues**

*(i) Implementation of the EEA Financial Mechanism in Hungary*

26. The open call had been suspended on 2 February 2007 and Hungary was now proposing a two stage application process. The FMO will follow-up on the proposals.

*(ii) Disbursement procedures*

27. The Committee took note of FMO's memo on disbursement procedures.

**7. OTHER ISSUES**

28. There were no other issues.

**8. NEXT MEETING**

29. The next meeting is scheduled for 15 March 2007.

## ANNEX I

### Meeting participants:

#### *Norway:*

Mr Anders Erdal, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, *Chairman*  
Mr Steinar Hagen, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Ms Stine Hjertvik, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Mr Torill Johansen, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

#### *Iceland:*

Mr Angantýr Einarsson, Ministry of Finance  
Mr Julius Hafstein, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

#### *Liechtenstein:*

Mr Pascal Schafhauser, Mission of Liechtenstein

#### *The Commission:*

Mr Jan Edøy, National Expert, DG Regional Policy (part of the meeting)

#### *FMO:*

Ms Stine Lundin Andresen  
Ms Laura Harjapää  
Mr Erik Brynhildsbakken  
Ms Marianne Dingstad  
Mr Kurt Haugen  
Mr Hjörtur Bragi Sverrisson  
Mr Matúš Minárik  
Mr Pawel Krzeczunowicz  
(Other FMO staff part of the meeting)

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