

## PROJECT INFO

United Nations Development Programme



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### CHALLENGE

The Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness (2005) and the Accra Agenda for Action (2008) provide an action oriented road-map for reforming the development assistance management and for improving its impact.

The Programme Based Approach (PBA) can greatly contribute to the global aid effectiveness agenda, by increasing the national ownership, improving coherence between the national policies, budgeting process and aid support, reducing transaction costs of external assistance and establishing a system for transparent performance assessment that can be easily monitored.

Each year, the country receives about 200 million USD of foreign aid, and an increasing amount of EU pre-accession funds. The effective use of these resources is key to the improvement of the population's living standards and the country's EU integration process. Over the past years, the Government has been working continuously with the international community to ensure better coordination of the foreign aid. This partnership is now more important than ever, with the increasing difficulties for attracting foreign financing.

### PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The project will support the Secretariat for European Affairs (SEA) to strengthen and promote the aid effectiveness agenda across all policy areas, such as education, environment, agriculture and other.

The capacities of the SEA and the line ministries' staff will be built further to ensure better monitoring and measurement of aid effectiveness.

The project will also support the application of the Programme Based Approach selected with the national counterparts, to provide a model for effective coordination of development assistance and improve the overall policy and institutional environment.

### EXPECTED RESULTS

This new project would assist the SEA and all development partners to use the jointly agreed results-oriented reporting and monitoring framework - in line with the key targets and objectives of the national and sector development strategies.

A pilot Programme Based Approach would be implemented in two policy areas, selected with the national counterparts, to provide a model for effective coordination of development assistance and improve the overall policy and institutional environment.

The communication with the donor community would be significantly improved with the establishment of practices for regular meetings, a redesigned and regularly updated web site and several brochures offering information on foreign assistance.

### COUNTERPARTS:

Secretariat for European Affairs (SEA); Financed by the Government of Norway

### BUDGET:

388,632.00 USD

### IMPLEMENTING PERIOD:

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