

EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA
FINANCIAL MECHANISM COMMITTEE

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Conclusions
Financial Mechanism Committee
29th Meeting - 16 April 2007

1 Meeting agenda

At the request of Norway, a new agenda item 3.1 "General progress" was added under item 3 "Grant recommendation documents" to the revised agenda (dated 13 April 2007). Agenda item 4.3. "MoUs, designation of the Focal Point and method of the modification of Annex A" was moved under agenda item 6. "Guidelines and policy issues". The agenda was adopted with these changes.

2 The Committee meeting 15 March 2007

2.1 The Committee meeting of 15 March 2007, Draft Summary Records

The draft Summary Records were adopted.

2.2 The Committee meeting of 15 March 2007, Draft Conclusions

The draft Conclusions were adopted.

3 Grant Recommendation Documents

The FMO briefed the Committee on the status of the GRD production. As of 5 April 2007 the total grant amount committed was EUR 253 million and 162 commitments had been made. 10 projects had been rejected and six were withdrawn. The Committee took note of the FMO's briefing.

3.1 PL0110 - Człuchów - Thermo modernisation of a primary school and a municipal kindergarten

PL0110 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.2 PL0111 - Kołobrzeg - Thermo modernisation of public utility complexes

PL0111 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.3 PL0113 - Miłakowo - Thermal efficiency improvement of school complex

PL0113 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.4 PL0117 - Chocianów - Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehabilitation and Extension

PL0117 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.5 PL0120 - Głubczyce - thermo modernisation of school

PL0120 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.6 *PL0122 - Działdowo - Thermo modernisation of an elementary school*

PL0122 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.7 *PL0129 - Wądroże Wielkie - thermo modernisation of public buildings*

PL0129 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.8 *PL0136 - Radziłów - Thermal insulation of public utility buildings*

PL0136 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.9 *PL0137 - Orzysz - construction and modernisation of heating systems*

PL0137 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.10 *PL0138 - Zabłudów - Thermo modernisation of public utility buildings*

PL0138 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.11 *PL0142 - Pakość - Thermo modernisation of a Middle school*

PL0142 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.12 *PL0143 - Toruń - Thermo modernisation of educational buildings*

PL0143 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.13 *PL0144 - Ożarów - modernisation of boiler room*

PL0144 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.14 *PL0149 - Dzierżgoń - Improvement of energy conservation in public service entities*

PL0149 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.15 *PL0156 - Swidwin - Thermo modernisation of public utility buildings*

PL0156 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.16 *PL0163 - Przeworsk - Modernisation of the heating system*

PL0163 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.17 *PL0166 - Brześć Kujawski - Thermal modernisation of the building of the Primary School No. 1 and Public Kindergarten No. 1*

PL0166 was approved in accordance with the GRD.

3.18 *PL0167 - Walim - thermo modernisation of group of school buildings*

PL0167 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 on implementation of the EEA Financial Mechanism in the Beneficiary States*

The FMO informed the Committee about the status of implementation in the Beneficiary States.

4.2 *Overview of the status on implementation of the EEA Financial Mechanism in the Beneficiary States - Annex C funds*

4.3 *MoUs, designation of the Focal Point and method of the modification of Annex A*

The Committee concluded that same procedure should be followed for all three MoU Annexes, i.e. also Annex A could be amended in the Annual Meetings.

4.4 Annual Meeting - Latvia

The annual meeting is scheduled for 18 April 2007 and the preparatiосn for the meeting had been concluded.

4.5 Annual Meeting - Lithuania

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for 20 April 2007 and the preparatiосn for the meeting had been concluded.

4.6 Annual Meeting - Slovenia

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for 9 May 2007. The annual report was received in time. The Annual Meeting will include site visits.

5 Co-operation with the European Commission - report by the National Expert

The National Expert presented an overview of the screening status.

6 Guidelines and policy issues

6.1 External Monitoring Manual Update

The Committee adopted the revised External Monitoring Manual.

6.2 Merge of GA and TaC

The Committee adopted the FMO's proposal to merge the Standard Grant Agreement and Terms and Conditions.

7 Annual Report to the Standing Committee of the EFTA States

The FMO presented the revised version of the draft report to the Standing Committee. The Committee adopted the report to the Standing Committee.

8 Other issues

9 Next meeting

The next meeting will take place on 23 May 2007.

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