

Conclusions Financial Mechanism Committee 2009-14 19th meeting 3 May 2012

1. Meeting agenda

The meeting agenda was adopted.

2. Draft minutes and conclusions of the previous FMC meeting

The draft minutes and conclusions from the previous FMC meeting were adopted.

2.1 Follow-up issues

The follow up issues from last meeting were discussed and new issues were listed.

3 Director's assessment

3.1 Overall status and priorities

The FMO briefed the Committee on the status of programming and urgent matters. The committee took note of the information.

4 Status of Implementation in the Beneficiary States

4.1 Overall assessment – next steps and necessary action

The FMO briefed the Committee on urgent matters in the Beneficiary States and presented the status of implementation report country by country.

The Committee then discussed and made remarks to the recently held and upcoming annual meetings.

5 Issues for adoption

5.1 Risk Management Strategy (RMS)

Further to the draft risk management strategy and draft risk criteria presented at the FMC meeting 13 January 2012, the FMO introduced the revised risk management strategy for adoption.

The Committee suggested minor changes to the document, and asked that an updated version will be sent for written procedure for adoption.

5.2 **Co-financing in the programme proposals**

The FMO presented recommendations on the co-financing requirements in the legal framework.

The Committee adopted the recommendations on co-financing in the programme proposals as recommended in the meeting document.

5.3 Actual expenses FMO 2011

The FMO presented the actual expenses for FMO 2011.

The Committee adopted the actual expenses for FMO 2011.

6 Issues for discussion

6.1 Overview of events

FMO presented a preliminary list of events for 2012.

The Committee took note of the information and asked FMO to elaborate further on events.

6.2 Gender conference 23 May 2012

FMO briefed the Committee on the current program for the conference.

The Committee took note of the information.

6.3 Risk management and good governance seminar 11 September 2012

The FMO briefed the Committee on the status of preparations for the seminar.

The Committee took note of the information.

6.4 Hate speech conference 27-28 November 2012

The FMO recommended the FMC to discuss the support for organisation of the conference on Hate Speech in partnership with the Council of Europe at the European Youth Centre Budapest on 27-28 November 2012.

The Committee took note of the ongoing planning.

6.5 **Possible ideas for annual events 2012 and major regional/sector events**

The agenda item was discussed under 6.2.

6.6 Sector overview/Status NGO sector

FMO presented an overview of status per programme area and a sector overview of programming in the NGO sector country by country to the Committee.

The Committee took note of the information.

7 Issues for information

7.1 Status of actual expenses FMO 1st quarter 2012

The FMO informed the Committee on the actual expenses incurred in January-April 2012. The Committee took note of the information.

7.2 Annual Report 2012

The FMO presented an overview of the contents in the Annual Report 2012.

The Committee took note of the information.

8. Other issues

The Committee was informed about the progress in the scholarship exchange programme in Poland. The Committee took note of the information.

9. Next meeting

The next Committee meeting is planned for 27 June 2012.

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