



MEETING OF THE MONITORING COMMITTEE

OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME II (2007 – 2013) Empowering People for More Jobs and a Better Quality of Life

24 May 2012

2011 Annual Control Report and Opinion







Annual Control Report and Opinion

- ☐ The scope of the annual control report and opinion, based on systems audits and audits on operations (if any), is to provide reasonable assurance on the effective functioning of the management and control systems.
- □ The 2011 Annual Control Report and Opinion for OP I and OP II, based on systems audits, were submitted by IAID prior to **31 December 2011**, in terms of Article 62 (1) (d) (i) and (ii) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006.





Audit opinion at closure (AA)

EUROPEAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND
EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND
COHESION FUND
MALTA 2007-2013

How assurance is being built up 2007-2013

Commission Audits

System audits and audits on Operations

ANNUAL CONTROL REPORT AND OPINION (AA)

First level verification (MA)
+ Certification of expenditure (CA)

Compliance Assessment of the systems description (AA)









Audit Strategy

- □ IAID's Audit Strategy, as approved by the Commission, comprises the systems audits and audits on operations that will be carried out during the programming period and the auditing methods to be used.
- □ <u>Systems audits</u> are carried out to verify the <u>effective functioning</u> of the management and control systems
- Audits on operations are carried out to verify expenditure declarations, on the basis of an appropriate sample. Their timing depends on expenditure declarations to the Commission:

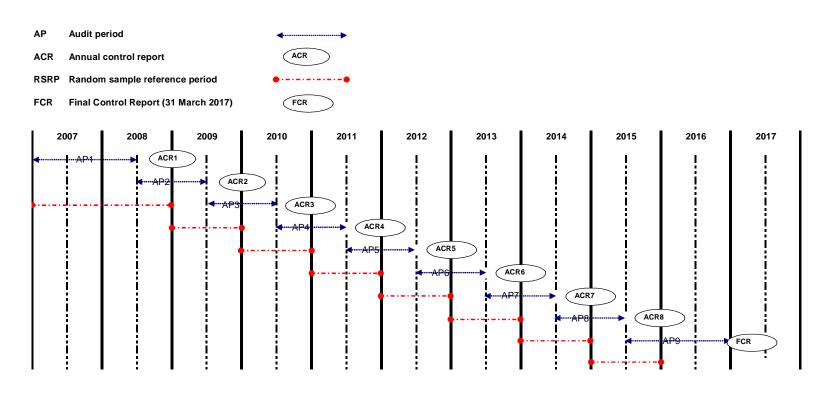
DECLARED	AUDITED	REPORT & OPINION	
2009	July 2009-June 2010	31/12/2010	
2010	July 2010-June 2011	31/12/2011	
etc.			







Time schedule for reporting by the Audit Authority









Systems Audits Carried Out (July 2010–June 2011)

Certifying Authority (OP I and OP II)

- Clear definition, allocation and separation of functions;
- Adequate audit trail and computerised system;
- Adequate arrangements for the certification of expenditure to be reliable and soundly based.







Audits on Operations (Projects) Expenditure Declared in 2010

- ☐ Random Sample
- > OP II (ESF): 4 operations from a total of 28 (14.3%)
- ☐ Complementary (Additional) Sample
- ➤ 1 ESF operation (selected on the basis of risk assessment to ensure coverage of both Funds under OP II)







Audits on Operations (Projects)

Fund	Cumulative expenditure declared to the Commission up to 31.12.2010	Cumulative expenditure audited	Cumulative expenditure audited as a % of cumulative expenditure declared
	€	€	%
	(a)	<i>(b)</i>	(b/a)
ESF – OP II	5,595,039	338,867	6.06 %







Annual Control Report and Opinion

- An unqualified (clean) opinion accompanied the 2011 annual control report, i.e. on the basis of the systems audits and audits on operations carried out, IAID concluded that the management and control systems of the Operational Programmes functioned effectively so as to provide reasonable assurance that statements of expenditure presented to the Commission were correct and that the underlying transactions were legal and regular.
- ☐ The annual control report and opinion were approved by the European Commission in its letter dated **21 February 2011.**





Thank you for your attention



Operational Programme I and II – Cohesion Policy 2007-2013
Investing in Competitiveness for a Better Quality of Life
Empowering People for More Jobs and a Better Quality of Life
Event part-financed by the European Union
European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)
Cohesion Fund



European Social Fund (ESF)
Co-financing rate: 85% (70% ERDF, 30% ESF) EU Funds; 15% National Funds

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