

MONITORING COMMITTEE for Operational Programme II

Empowering People for More Jobs and a Better Quality of Life
Cohesion policy (2007-2013)

ESF Technical Assistance 2007-2013

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Priority Axis 5: Technical Assistance

Overall Objective:

- To facilitate the overall implementation of the Programme in order to optimise the programme's quality and efficiency.
- To ensure effective application of regulations and procedures.

Technical Assistance will fund a number of actions including:

- Preparatory studies/support, management, monitoring (incl. SFD), evaluation, publicity and information, expertise, capacity building, training and control activities of the ESF programme for 2007-2013.

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Broad Target Groups

The main stakeholders to be supported include:

- the Managing Authority
- the Certifying Authority
- the Audit Authority
- the Department of Contracts
- the Treasury Department
- the Intermediate Bodies, and other Bodies relevant to Malta's implementation system
- potential project promoters
- Other stakeholders involved in the implementation of the Programme
- General Public (mainly vis-à-vis publicity)

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Focus Areas of Intervention (1)

Implementation of the Programme and Capacity Building

- To increase the pool of resources working on programme management;
- To support the implementation process;
- To finance evaluation activities;
- To support the implementation of the training strategy.

Information and Publicity

- A Communication Plan: to promote public awareness of the Programme to both potential beneficiaries and also the general public.

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Focus Areas of Intervention (2)



Transnational/Interregional Activities

- To support the implementation of transnational activities in the programme;
- To support stakeholders to share the benefits of knowledge, good practices, experiences and lessons learnt during implementation.
- To share information, learn from one another and improve co-ordination between Member States with regard to Structural Funds implementation issues.

Innovative Activities

- Funding of expertise to aid in the promotion of the concept of innovation in the Programme.

Common activities between OP I and OP II

- Actions common to both Operational Programmes shall be allocated among the two OPs in the ratio of **70:30**

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Total Available Budget 2007-2015



€4,305,000 Community Funding (85%) +
€759,705 National Funding (15%)

€ 5,604,705 Total (100%)

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Indicative Plan

	TOTAL	ESF	MT
Total Allocation	5,064,705	4,305,000	759,705
A. Furniture and Equipment	430,500	365,925	64,575
B. Implementation of the programme (salaries, expert advice and support services)	2,134,205	1,814,075	320,130
C. Information and Publicity	1,200,000	1,020,000	180,000
D. Evaluation	550,000	467,500	82,500
E. Capacity Building (including training of staff, training strategy activities, participation in conferences, workshops, traveling and accommodation costs, etc)	750,000	637,500	112,500

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Implementation

- TA will be managed by the MA;
- TA will be implemented on a demand driven basis in order to ensure that it supports the Programme efficiently and effectively and in a timely manner;
- The procedures for application will be outlined in the Manual of Procedures
- Requests must be submitted for approval to the MA

All actions funded under the TA are subject to the relevant regulations.

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Thank you for your attention

