



# **SWG FAO Joint TCP:” Streamlining of agriculture and rural development policies of SEE countries for EU accession”**

## **Up-date on Project Progress**

**September 2012-December 2013**

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### Output 1: A strategy for a networking and cooperation designed and implemented

**Activity 1:** Universities, research institutes and key stakeholders at national and regional level – **identified**

➤ National Research Teams **established** and **are operational**

**Activity 2:** The most appropriate model of cooperation between academic institutions and Ministries of Agriculture **presented and discussed** on National and Regional Networking Workshops

**Activity 3:** Strategy for a networking and cooperation campaign **drafted** and a web- portal for ease of collaboration **created**

**Activity 4:** Two Regional and two National Networking Workshops - **organized**

## Up-date on Project Progress

### Output 2: A rural development policy catalogue/database with information relating to EU agriculture and rural development policies created

- **Activity 1:** Desk research for collection of available documents (formal and grey literature) prepared by universities, institutes, EU research projects, e.g. TEMPUS, FP-7, etc., bi- and multilateral technical assistance, etc. – **in progress**
- **Activity 2:** Digestion and systematization of collected materials – **in progress and will continue**
- **Activity 3:** Preparation of studies and summaries for policy makers – **in progress and will continue**
- **Activity 4:** Creation of an online rural development policy catalogue/database – **will follow**

## Up-date on Project Progress

**Output 3: Recommendations and actions plans for each participating country on completion of necessary analyses, studies and strategic documents relating to EU agriculture and rural development policies (CAP) formulated**

**Activity 1:** Identification of gaps in analytical and strategic documents for streamlining with agriculture and rural development policies of the current and future CAP - **in progress**

**Activity 2:** Elaboration of country specific recommendations and Action Plans, including identification of necessary resources – **will follow**

# **Update on the progress – research part – short evaluation**

## **A. Agricultural statistics in WB countries:**

- all countries completed and delivered the data sets
- solid quality of the data set!
- use for national and international presentations and comparison and for country/synthesis report
- necessity to update with 2012/2013

# **Update on the progress – research part – short evaluation**

## **B. Agricultural Policy Measures**

- budgetary transfers analysis
- significant task in terms of scope and demand of work
- all countries get information at least for one year
- intensive communication with the expert team will go on until to the end of the year
- analysis with the help of the tool base for policy analysis in the final documents of the project

# Update on the progress – research part – short evaluation

## C. Agricultural and rural development policy documents

- In final stage; great part of the documents are published on the APP web site;
- Instructions for systematization of documents delivered – however, not followed

## D. Agricultural Policy Plus – web site

<http://app.seerural.org/> - in function

APP site to be linked on the Ministry web portals

# **Update on the progress – research part – short evaluation**

## **E. Cooperation model between policy makers and academic institutions**

- Presented, discussed, proposals for establishment of more stable cooperation will be prepared

## **F. Country and region specific analysis and recommendations**

- Start up of the final phase of the project
- Template for the report prepared by International Expert

## Next steps

- **Policy documents and institutions:**
  - Presentation and summarizing of documents
  - Cooperation between ministry and academia
- **Policy monitoring data**
  - Statistics
  - Budgetary transfers
- **Policy analysis**
  - Situation and trend analysis
  - Comparative analysis (with EU and within region)
  - Gap analysis

## Milestones

### **III. National Workshops** (individually, April 2014)

#### **Proposed dates:**

April 9<sup>th</sup> - Zagreb

April 10<sup>th</sup>- Sarajevo

April 11<sup>th</sup> – Belgrade

April 23<sup>rd</sup> -Prishtina

April 24<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> – Skopje/ Ohrid –within a Conference organized by the Faculty of Agriculture

April 28<sup>th</sup> – Tirana

April 29<sup>th</sup>- Podgorica

# Milestones

## **Final (III.) Regional Workshops**

Proposed date: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2014 in Jahorina, Bosnia and Herzegovina

## **Final outcome to be presented during APF 2014**

October 2014 in Serbia

## Final outcome / APF 2014

- **SWG FAO study**
  - Synthesis and country specific chapters
  - Web and print versions
- **Data set on the web side**
  - Statistics
  - Budgetary transfers
  - Policy documents
- **Disseminations**
  - SWG conferences
  - FAO meetings
  - Scientific conferences
- **Cooperation model – ministry : academia**