

Estonia – Latvia – Russia Cross Border Cooperation Programme within European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument 2007-2013

FACT SHEET, April, 2012

Grant Contracts within 1st Call for Proposals signed

25 projects have signed Grant Contracts for the total sum of the Programme co-financing of **24 067 718**, **02** euro. Financing allocated per Priority: Priority 1 – Socio-economic development - 11 523 095, 50 euro, Priority 2 – Common challenges - 10 264 595, 23 euro, Priority 3 – Promotion of people to people cooperation - 2 280 027, 29 euro.

The full list of Grant Contracts awarded from November 2011 till April 2012 within the **1st Call for Proposals** of the ENPI Estonia-Latvia-Russia CBC Programme **is published** in the website of EC EuropeAid **and** the **Portfolio** for each **Project was created. 25 Project Portfolios** can be found on the Programme web-site here.

Implementation seminars for Auditors within 1st Call for Proposals

In April and May 2012 three identical seminars are organized by the Joint Technical Secretariat (JTS) for Auditors, Financial managers and Accountants of Projects accepted during the 1st Call for Proposals. First two of them took place in Riga (Latvia) and Tartu (Estonia) on 24 and 25 April 2012. The interest was high and both seminars attended nearly 70 participants. Information was provided about legal framework of the ENPI CBC projects, contractual obligations, eligibility of expenditure, expenditure verification, procurement rules and requirements for accounting and reporting. Presentations were provided by JTS Project Managers, Financial Manager and Information Managers, experts Mr. Albert Sorrosal from Regional Capacity Building Initiative project and Mr. Dzmitry Korbut from INTERact. Simultaneous translation from English to national languages was ensured. The highest interest was shown to the procurement and reporting issues.

Third seminar is to be held in Pskov (Russia) on 16 May 2012 and on-line registration is opened on the Programme website.

Full Applications of 3 LSPs sent to the EC for approval

Full Applications of 3 Large Scale Projects have been approved by the Joint Monitoring Committee and were sent to the European Commission for approval by the end of April. **Seminar** on implementation issues **for the Beneficiaries and Partners of Large Scale Projects** is going to take place **in Pskov on 14-15 May 2012.**

Annual Work Programme 2012 for Grants published

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