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Programmes monitored by NFP



| | Programme title | Programme area | Programme Operator | EEA Grant |
|------|---|--|--|-------------|
| GR01 | Technical Assistance and Bilateral Fund at National Level | Technical assistance. Fund for bilateral relations at national level. | [NFP] | €771,220 |
| GR02 | Integrated marine and inland water management | Integrated marine and inland water management. | Ministry of Environment, Energy | €6,495,000 |
| GR03 | Renewable energy | Renewable energy. | Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving (CRES) | €9,510,000 |
| GR06 | Capacity building of national asylum and migration management systems | Institutional framework in the asylum and migration sector. | Ministry of Interior, Citizen Protection | €11,855,042 |
| GR07 | Research | Research within priority sectors. | Ministry of Education, General Secretariat for Research and Technology | €2,996,311 |

Strategic Report 2015

Update 2016 – main points



- The Strategic Report 2015 was submitted timely in Mar 2016.
- The Strategic Report 2015 was updated and submitted timely in Oct 2016.
- The programmes monitored by the NFP and GR05 managed by the FMO, were granted an extension of implementation until April 2017.
- Within 2016 payment flows (from the Programme of Public Investments) were normalised and payments from the FMO resumed.
- Every effort was made to speed up implementation, however there is a small residual risk due to the late deployment of programmes and short remaining eligible timeframe, legislative amendments, changes of circumstances and implementation issues in specific cases.

Strategic Report 2015

Update 2016 – main points



- Continuous monitoring from NFP, close cooperation with FMO.
- All the open calls are finalised and a total of 129 projects are implemented.
- 44 projects have been completed so far.
- End of eligibility, 30 April 2017: in full implementation, preparation for closure in 2017.

Strategic Report 2015

Update overview – table 3.1



| Programme | EEA budget | Funds disbursed by the FMO (15.9.16) | % disbursed | Total expenditures incurred by the PO/FO (15.9.16) | % absorption |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|--|--------------|
| GR01 | 771.220 | 420.000 | 54,5 | 149.332 | 19,4 |
| GR02 | 6.495.000 | 5.263.200 | 81,04 | 1.600.731 | 25 |
| GR03 | 9.510.000 | 5.764.728 | 60,6 | 913.906 | 10 |
| GR04 | 7.340.000 | 7.064.241 | 96,2 | 6.205.948 | 84,55 |
| GR05-GR50 | 12.333.375 | 8.963.505 | 72,7 | 7.284.249* | 59,06 |
| GR06 | 11.855.042 | 6.827.225 | 57,6 | 4.452.443 | 37,6 |
| GR07 | 2.996.311 | 1.594.342 | 53 | 1.203.527 | 40,17 |
| GR08 | 4.265.217 | 4.265.217 | 100 | 2.726.354* | 63,9 |
| TOTAL | 55.566.165 | 40.162.458 | 72,3 | 24.536.472 | 44,2 |

Management, monitoring



- Continuous monitoring through reports, site visits and the dedicated **DoRIS** system.
- Participation of NFP in cooperation committees of programmes.
- Dedicated national **MIS** now in operation for EEA Grants (OPS-EOX) :
 - Data entry is in process from all POs and PPs. It is a requirement under national rules for monitoring, as well as electronic payments from the state budget.
 - A technical seminar was organised in October 2016 for all POs and PPs, in regard to MIS processes.
- Intensification of **communication** activities, both from the POs and the NFP. Summary leaflet available. Final event to be programmed for 2017.

Audits

- In 2016 the Audit Authority carried out 6 new audits on systems and operations/projects.
- The NFP for the Fund of Bilateral Relations, the Certifying Authority and the PO of GR02 were audited as systems.
- In collaboration with the FMO a training seminar on irregularities took place in May 2016, with the AA, CA and POs.
- The Q1 and Q2 Quarterly reports of 2016 included 7 cases of irregularities, of which 5 are now closed.
- A major irregularity in GR04 (a case of double funding and fraud) was committed within 2016, at project level and was reported to the FMO without delay.

Programme modifications

| Programme | Programme Title | art./par | Explanation |
|-----------|---|---------------|---|
| GR06 | Capacity building of national asylum and migration management systems | Annex I, 1 | New indicators |
| | Capacity building of national asylum and migration management systems | Annex I, 3.3 | Reallocation of Projects budget within the Programme - New Project budget |
| | Capacity building of national asylum and migration management systems | Annex II, 1.1 | New project |
| | Capacity building of national asylum and migration management systems | Annex II, 6 | Reallocation of Projects budget within the Programme - New Project budget |
| GR02 | Wording description of financial processes between PO and PPs | Annex II, 4.1 | Clarification for audit. |

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