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Round Table on “GOVERNANCE AND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT: THE ROLE OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIPS”

Zagreb, Croatia 10 - 11 March 2008

Programme

Venue

Zagreb Sheraton Hotel

Kneza Borne 2

Zagreb - Croatia



Monday, 10 March 2008

13:00 – 14:00 *Registration and welcome coffee*

14:00 – 17:30 LOCAL GOVERNANCE AND THE CONTRIBUTION OF LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS – LESSONS LEARNED FROM CROATIA

14:00 – 14:15 **Opening remarks**

Rebecca Latorraca, Acting Mission Director, USAID Croatia

Ekaterina Travkina, Consultant for Outreach Activities, OECD

14:15 – 15:15 **Strengthening Local Governance and the Role of Local Partnerships in Croatia: Lessons from Local Approaches in Vukovar and Varazdin**

Introduction to the project, presentation of the main findings, policy recommendations and the Action Space portal:

Presentation by Arsen Juric, Rule of Law and Local Government Program Manger, USAID Croatia and *Ekaterina Travkina*, Consultant for Outreach Activities, OECD

Comments by

Jasna Kolar, Head, Employment Services Vukovar, Croatia

Normela Rados, Head of Department for EU Funds and Regional Development, Development Agency North, Varazdin, Croatia,

Andrea Vugrinovic, Director, Varazdin County Development Agency, Croatia

Session documents

✓ *Recommendations at a Glance*

✓ *1.II Key findings review_Nat Support Framework*

✓ *2.II Key findings review_Joining up local efforts*

✓ *3.II Key findings review_Performance Management for Local Partnerships*

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00 – 17:30 **Opportunities and Challenges for Local Governance: the Role of Local Partnerships**

This session will discuss the role of local development partnerships and the opportunities, challenges and avenues for optimising local governance from national and international viewpoints.

Iva Frkić, Central Office for Development Strategy and Coordination of EU Funds

Ivana Vlašić, Head, Department for EU Programs Promoting Economic and Social Cohesion
Central Office for Development Strategy and Coordination of EU Funds

Mojca Krisper-Figueroa, Delegation of the EU to the Republic of Croatia and

Ivana Podhraški, Delegation of the EU to the Republic of Croatia

Kiril Kiryakov, USAID Bulgaria

Marinko Sakic, USAID Bosnia and Herzegovina

Arsen Juric, Rule of Law and Local Government Program Manger, USAID Croatia

Moderator: Mike Geddes, Professorial Fellow, Local Government Centre, Warwick Business School, University of Warwick, United Kingdom

Moderated panel discussion

- 17:15 – 17:30 **Brief presentation about OECD LEED Forum for Partnerships and Local Governance: what does it offer for local partnerships**
Presentation by Michael Förschner, Head of Department European Social Fund, Federal Ministry of Labour and Economics, Austria and Chair of the OECD LEED Forum on Partnerships and Local Governance
- 17:30 *End of day 1*

Tuesday, 11 March 2008

Chair: *Mike Geddes*, Professional Fellow, Local Government Centre, Warwick Business School, University of Warwick, United Kingdom

- 9:00 – 10:45 **WHAT ARE THE KEY ELEMENTS OF A NATIONAL SUPPORT FRAMEWORK?**
- 9:00 – 10:15 **Experiences and lessons learned from other countries**
Territorial Employment Pacts in Austria
Michael Förschner, Head of Department European Social Fund, Federal Ministry of Labour and Economics, Austria and Chair of the OECD LEED Forum on Partnerships and Local Governance
- Liverpool First, UK**
Paul Blackmore, Economic and Enterprise Co-ordinator, Liverpool First (Local Strategic Partnership), United Kingdom
Presentation and Questions & Answers
- 10:15 – 11:15 **Working Groups A**
The work in two groups will be based on OECD recommendations and will aim at devising an Action Plan to develop an adequate national support framework for local partnership involvement in local development affairs.
Moderators: *Mike Geddes*, Professorial Fellow, Local Government Centre, Warwick Business School, University of Warwick, United Kingdom and *Arsen Juric*, Rule of Law and Local Government Program Manger, USAID Croatia
Session documents
 ✓ *1.I National support framework for local partnerships*
 ✓ *A.I Set of Questions_National Support Framework for Local Partnerships*
 ✓ *A.II Action Plan template_National Support Framework for Local Partnerships*
- 11:15 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:15 – 13:00	WHAT MAKES SUCCESSFUL APPROACHES IN JOINING UP LOCALLY?
11:15 – 12:00	<p>Experiences and lessons learned from other countries</p> <p>Ballymun Partnership, Ireland</p> <p><i>Declan Dunne</i>, Chief Executive Officer, Ballymun Partnership, Ireland</p> <p><i>Presentation and Questions & Answers</i></p>
12:00 – 13:00	<p>Working Groups B</p> <p><i>The work in two groups will be based on OECD recommendations and will aim at devising an Action Plan to foster the joining up of local actors to strengthen the role and contribution of local partnerships in local development affairs.</i></p> <p><i>Moderators: Mike Geddes</i>, Professorial Fellow, Local Government Centre, Warwick Business School, University of Warwick, United Kingdom and <i>Arsen Juric</i>, Rule of Law and Local Government Program Manger, USAID Croatia</p> <p><i>Session documents</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ <i>2.I Joining up local development efforts</i> ✓ <i>B.I Set of Questions_Joining up local efforts</i> ✓ <i>B.II Action Plan template_Joining up local efforts</i>
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15:30	HOW TO INTRODUCE AND MAKE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS WORK?
14:00 – 14:45	<p>Experiences and lessons learned from other countries</p> <p>Coventry Partnership, UK</p> <p><i>David Galliers</i>, Learning to Deliver Programme Manager, The Regional Partnership Centre, Coventry's Local Strategic Partnership, United Kingdom</p> <p><i>Presentation and Questions & Answers</i></p>
14:45 – 15:30	<p>Working Groups C</p> <p><i>The work in two groups will be based on OECD recommendations and will aim at devising an Action Plan to foster the establishment of performance management systems to better evaluate and anticipate the role and contribution of local partnerships in local development affairs.</i></p> <p><i>Moderators: Mike Geddes</i>, Professorial Fellow, Local Government Centre, Warwick Business School, University of Warwick, United Kingdom and <i>Arsen Juric</i>, Rule of Law and Local Government Program Manger, USAID Croatia</p> <p><i>Session documents</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ <i>3.I Performance management, monitoring and evaluation systems for local partnerships</i> ✓ <i>C.I Set of Questions_Performance Management for Local Partnerships</i> ✓ <i>C.II Action Plan template_Performance Management for Local Partnerships</i>
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>

16:00 – 17:00

LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS CONTRIBUTING TO LOCAL GOVERNANCE –WAYS FORWARD

This round table will present and discuss the main findings from the working groups on the different parts of the Action Plan (the results will be presented by the moderators). This will flow into a discussion on the relevance of national frameworks, success factors and barriers in joining up locally, and key issues in establishing effective performance management systems for increased engagement of local partnerships in local development.

Assistance will be provided throughout the discussion by *Paul Blackmore*, *Declan Dunne*, *David Galliers* and *Michael Förschner* who will comment on the proposals put forward.

Moderators: Mike Geddes, Professorial Fellow, Local Government Centre, Warwick Business School, University of Warwick, United Kingdom and *Arsen Juric*, Rule of Law and Local Government Program Manger, USAID Croatia

17:00 – 17:15

Closing remarks

Rebecca Latorraca, Acting Mission Director, USAID Croatia

Ekaterina Travkina, Consultant for Outreach Activities, OECD

17:15

End of seminar