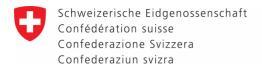


Swiss-Czech Cooperation Programme

Opening Event Prague, 5 June 2009





Swiss Contribution to 10 NMS

Contribution by country (mCHF):

189

Hungary 130

Czech Republic 109

Lithuania 70

Slovak Republic 66

Latvia 59

Estonia 39

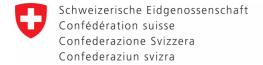
Slovenia 21

Cyprus 5.9

Malta 2.9

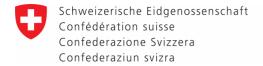
Total contribution:

1'000'000'000 CHF



Overall objective

- To contribute to the reduction of economic and social disparities between the Czech Republic and the more advanced countries of the enlarged EU
- To contribute to the reduction of economic and social disparities between the dynamic urban centres and the structurally weak peripheral regions within the Czech Republic



Swiss Administration

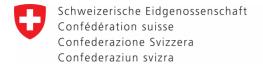
Embassy of Switzerland in Prague – Swiss Contribution Office

Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC

- Security, Stability and Support for Reforms
- Human and Social Development

State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO

- Environment and Infrastructure
- Promotion of the Private Sector



Thematic Focus: Czech Republic

Security & Reforms

Environment and Infrastructure

Private Sector

Human/ Social Developm. Spec.

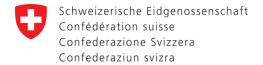
Alloc. & Reserve

- Regional Development (17m)
- Prevention and management of disasters (3m)
- Modernisation of the judicary (3m)
- Combating corruption (3m)
- Infrastructure (29m)
- Environment (1m)
- Improvement financial sector (2m)
- SME financing (10m)
- Health (7m)
- Research & development (4m)
- Spec. alloc./reserve (30.78m)

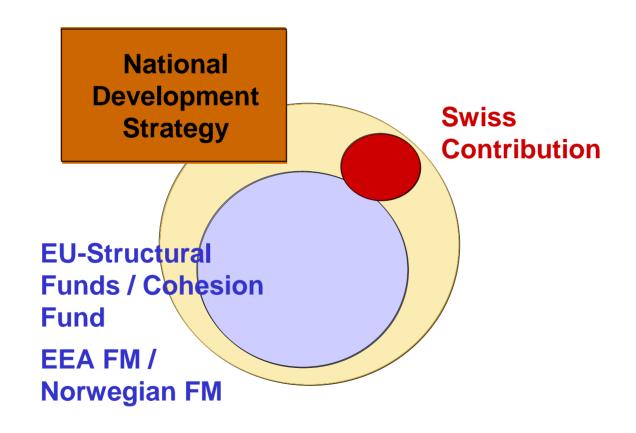


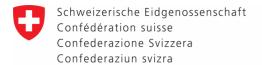


Allocated funds: 109.78m CHF



Complementarity





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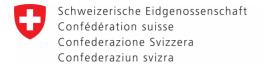
PROJECT SELECTION and AWARD OF CONTRACTS

- Responsibility: NCU
- Base:

Framework Agreement (Annex 1)
Priorities of Partner State

- Different procedures
 - **Ò** NCU Committees
 - **Ò** Transparency, traceability
- Financial decision:
 SDC/SECO
 Ò Project Agreement

- Responsibility: Executing Agency
- Tendering procedures
 according to Public Procurement
 Rules national, WTO/EU
- Decision on award of contract:
 Executing Agency
 O Supply and service
 contracts



Infrastructure

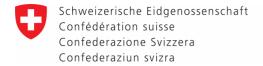
Financial allocation: 29m CHF

Content

- Sustainable wastewater management, solid waste management on municipal level
- introduction of renewable energy systems, improvement of energy efficiency and reduction of harmful emissions
- improve the management, the safety and the reliability of communal and regional public transport systems

Timing

- Open call for Proposal: expected in September 2009
- Decision on Project Proposals by Switzerland: End 2009
- Elaboration and decision on Final Project Proposals 2010
- Start of implementation first Projects: End 2010



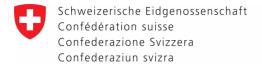
Private Sector

Improvement financial sector: 2m CHF

- Supporting the implementation of the accounting and auditing standards for businesses in Czech Republic
- Executing Agency: World Bank Center For Financial Reporting Reform, Vienna
- Project will start in 2nd half of 2009, after the Swiss decision on the Final Project Proposal

SME financing: 10m CHF

- Preparation of Project in progress
- Elaboration and decision on Project 2009/10



Further Information

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