Cut-off date: 31/12/2007

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Project : VC/779 GEPAC	Support to the Anti-corruption Strategy of Georgia			
Expiry dates		Budget	USD	EUR
Execution of contracts:	31.08.2009	VC Netherlands		-
Reported Period	1-31 December 2007	Total		700.000

1. Programme implementation

Summary of the current status of the programme (outputs and activities)

Overall objective:

To contribute to democracy and the rule of law through the prevention and control of corruption in Georgia in accordance with European and other international standards as well as GRECO recommendations.

Project purpose

To ensure the effective implementation of Georgia's Anti-corruption Strategy and Action Plan.

Indicators of Achievement:

Anti-corruption Strategy and Action Plan are further elaborated/updated and reflect all GRECO recommendations issued during the Second Round Evaluation Report and OECD/ACN Monitoring Reports;

Description of activities, outcomes, and status during the period of the report as compared to the implementation schedule

Activity: Researching various models of anticorruption institutions that exists in other countries; Analysis of foreign countries legislation and International Anti corruption Conventions (to be ratified and those to which Georgia is a party state).

Output Reference: Drafted the paper on future independent anticorruption institution of Georgia

Number of Participants (women/men): 3 persons

Date: 1-29 December 2007

Aim: Elaboration of a concept of 2 possible options on the nature, legal and institutional framework of future specialized anti-corruption structure of Georgia

Outcome: two feasible models of independent anticorruption institutions of Georgia have been identified.

Current and anticipated problems, including planned remedial actions

Because of the forthcoming presidential election, communication and cooperation with governmental agencies is difficult and ineffective. Moreover drastic reforms of the structure of the government are expected after the elections.

Planned major activities and schedule for the next period

It is planned to host a conference at which the elaborated models will be presented and discussed.

Other

(Activities of relevance, other organisations work/activity in the field, bilateral meetings, administrative issues/office status)

Conducted the first phase of biding process. Addressed different potential suppliers (IT companies, Furniture and Stationary stores)

2. Conclusions:

Elaboration of a concept of 2 possible options on the nature, legal and institutional framework of future specialized anti-corruption structure of Georgia is the one of the most crucial issues of the GEPAC project.

Within the project it was planned to research other countries experience in establishing anticorruption institutions and based on that to develop two models that might be adjusted to Georgian context.

The task has been fulfilled and the draft paper of two feasible models of specialized anticorruption institution has been presented to the State Minister on Reforms Coordination of Georgia and then to the Council of Europe.

The paper involves issues as follows: functions of anticorruption institutions; Legal and Institutional Framework; Human Resources; Accountability; Guaranties of Independence and Financial Resources

Moreover, according to the planned activities, assessment of needs preparation of tender has been conducted.