



ANNEX 86

Twinning Project AZ/13/ENP/SO/24 Support to the State Social Protection Fund on the introduction of funded element within the insurance-pension system, establishment of non-state pension funds and development of legal framework for regulating their activity

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Objective and Project Purpose

Overall objective

Development of the insurance-pension system in Azerbaijan.

Twinning Project Purpose

To enhance capacity of the State Social Protection Fund (SSPF) to establish the regulatory, legal and administrative framework for the introduction of a funded element in the insurance-pension system and the establishment of non-state pension funds.

Mandatory Results

- Relevant pieces of legislation elaborated for establishment of the funded component in the state pension system;
- 2. Technical description of the mechanism for accumulations and management of the funds on the individual funded accounts elaborated;
- 3. Relevant pieces of legislation elaborated to facilitate the development of non-state pension institutions;
- Capacity of the relevant SSPF staff enhanced through training and coaching to ensure effective launch and implementation of the funded componentin the state pension system;
- A communication strategy elaborated to raise public awareness concerning the new funded component of the state pension system.

Project two main components and activities relating to both components

Component 1

Capacity building aimed at implementation of the funded component in the state insurance pension system ("second pillar")

(to achieve the first and the second results)

Component 2

Capacity building aimed at the development of non-state pension funds ("third pillar") (to achieve the third result)

Capacity building activities

(to achieve the fourth result)

Public awareness raising activities

(to achieve the fifth result)

Component 0

Planned activities to achieve **the first**Mandatory Result

Activity 1.1. Carrying out the study on demographical, economic situation of Azerbaijan.

Activity 1.2. Development of a blueprint of the funded component in the multi-level state pension system.

Sub-activity 1.2.1. Conducting a two-day workshop with relevant staff of SSPF.

Sub-activity 1.2.2. Development of a detailed blueprint of the funded system.

Activity 1.3. Development of the legislation in relation to the funded component in the multi-level state pension system.

Sub-activity 1.3.1. Drafting the legislation in relation to the funded component in the multi-level state pension system.

Sub-activity 1.3.2. Workshop on the legislative proposals with the relevant stakeholders.

Sub-activity 1.3.3. Finalisation the legislation in relation to the funded component in the multi-level state pension system.

Planned activities to achieve **the second**Mandatory Result

- Activity 2.1. Thorough assessment of management processes and IT systems of the SSPF.
 - Sub-activity 2.1.1. Analysis of management processes of the SSPF.
 - Sub-activity 2.1.2. Analysis of the IT systems.
 - Sub-activity 2.1.3. Development of the recommendations.
- Activity 2.2. Development of the mechanism for accumulations and management of funds on the real funded accounts.
 - Sub-activity 2.2.1. Drafting a technical description of the mechanism for accumulations and management of funds on the real funded accounts.
 - Sub-activity 2.2.2. Workshop on the proposed technical solutions to the management systems, including IT systems, in the SSPF.

Planned activities to achieve **the third**Mandatory Result

- Activity 3.1. Development of a blueprint to facilitate and regulate the development of private, voluntary, pension arrangements.
- Sub-activity 3.1.1.Two-day workshop on key issues to be addressed for the development of private, voluntary, pension arrangements.
- Sub-activity 3.1.2 Development of a blueprint.
- Activity 3.2. Drafting of legislation to facilitate and regulate private voluntary pension arrangements.

Planned activities to achieve **the fourth**Mandatory Result

- Activity 4.1. In-depth presentation of the state pension system of the EU MS to relevant SSPF staff and other stakeholders.
- Activity 4.2. Conducting training needs analysis of the relevant SSPF staff.
- Activity 4.3. Training relevant SSPF staff.
- Activity 4.4. Study visits for a maximum of three SSPF staff to the EU MS.

Planned activities to achieve **the fifth**Mandatory Result

Activity 5.1. Drafting a communication strategy to raise public awareness concerning the new funded component of the state pension system and non-state pension funds.

Activity 5.2. Launch of pilot communication activities to raise public awareness of the pension system.

Component 0: General Activities

Activity 0.1. Kick-off conference (Launching Conference).

Activity 0.2. Thematic mid-term project visibility event.

Activity 0.3. Closing Conference.

Time table for implementation of planned activities

Years	Year 2014								Year 2015										
Months	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Project's months	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Mandatory results																			
The first result			x	х	х	x	х	x	x	x	x								
The second result												x	x	x	x	x	х	х	х
The third result										x	x	x	x	x	x				
The fourth result		x		x				x						x	x	x			
The fifth result																	х	х	х
Component 0		х										х							х

Experts involved in the project implementation

In the project implementation involved:

11 experts from Latvia

3 experts from Germany

Latvian experts - employees of the Ministry of Welfare (MoW), three of them are temporary employees.

German experts are from the following institutions:

- √the Association for Social Security Policy and Research (GVG e.V.)
 which is a mandated body for Twinning;
- ✓ the German Pension Insurance Fund (*Deutsche Rentenversicherung Bund DRV Bund*) which is a mandated body for Twinning;
- ✓ the Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (*Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht BaFin*) which is a public administration.

Outputs of the Twinning Project (I)

Documents and materials:

- ✓ Prepared Study Report on demographical, economic situation of Azerbaijan;
- Developed drafts of legislative documents of the funded system and of nonstate pension funds;
- ✓ Prepared Assessment reports on the management processes and IT systems;
- ✓ Prepared Technical description of the mechanism for accumulations and management of funds on the real funded accounts;
- ✓ Developed Report with "lessons learned" and follow-up questions;
- ✓ Prepared Report on the training needs analysis;
- ✓ Developed Training methodology and training materials (handouts);
- ✓ Prepared Study visits programme;
- ✓ Prepared Communication Strategy;
- ✓ Designed information materials;
- ✓ Prepared Workshops materials;
- ✓ Presentations:
- ✓ Recommendations;
- Mission reports by Short Term Experts;
- ✓ Twinning project interim quarterly and final reports.

Outputs of the Twinning Project (II)

Activities:

- ✓ Organized seminars and workshops and gained knowledge about the further development of pension system;
- ✓ Organized training sessions and trained staff of SSPF;
- ✓ Organized study visits to the EU Member States and gained experience from other countries;
- ✓ Organized conferences and informed stakeholders, media and public about Project and Project achievements.





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