

IPA 2011- CROATIA – PROJECT FICHE

1. Basic information

1.1. CRIS Number: IPA/2011/ 022-954/10

1.2. Title: Participation in Union Programmes and Agencies

1.3. ELARG Statistical Code: 04.65

1.4. Location: Croatia

1.5. Overall cost: EUR 24 524 110

1.6. EU contribution: EUR 7 062 867

2. Description of project

The European Council in Thessaloniki in June 2003 adopted the decision whereby the Western Balkan countries may participate in the Union programmes in line with the principles laid down for participation by the candidate countries. The European Council of 17-18 June 2004 decided that Croatia is a candidate country for membership. Croatia has expressed its desire to participate in certain Union Programmes and Agencies.

The Framework Agreement between the Republic of Croatia and the European Community on the general principles for the participation of the Republic of Croatia in Community Programmes entered into force on 22 August 2005.

The IPA programme can be used to meet a part of the costs for the participation in the Union programmes and Agencies. From 2005 funds were available each year as a part of the Phare and IPA national programme so as to co-finance the financial contribution for the participation in the programmes in the following years.

EUR 7 062 867 has been set aside from IPA 2011 Component I to co-finance the participation of the Republic of Croatia in, inter alia, the following indicative list of Union Programmes and Agencies in 2011: Fiscalis 2013, CUSTOMS 2013, Culture 2007-2013, Media 2007, Seventh Framework Programme for Research, Technological Development and Demonstration Activities, Europe for Citizens, PROGRESS, Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme (CIP), Civil protection financial instrument, Second Programme of Community Action in the Field of Health 2008-2013, Marco Polo II, ISA Programme (Interoperability Solutions for European Public Administrations), Life-Long Learning Programme (LLP), Youth in Action Programme, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) and European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addictions (EMCDDA).

The indicative list of Union Programmes and Agencies may be adapted to meet time constraints and availability of funds once the information concerning financial contribution to be paid by the Republic of Croatia in all Union Programmes and Agencies has been communicated.

3. Indicative Budget (amounts in €)

Union Programme/Agency		IPA support (EUR)	Contribution from the national budget (EUR)	Total financial contribution to the programme (EUR)
Fiscalis 2013		54 000	36 000	90 000
CUSTOMS 2013		48 000	32 000	80 000
Culture 2007-2013		75 000	95 000	170 000
Media 2007		82 204	54 802	137 006
Seventh Framework Programme		3 000 000	7 541 000	10 541 000
Europe for Citizens		51 000	34 000	85 000
PROGRESS		180 000	120 000	300 000
Competitiveness and Innovation Framework (CIP):	EIP	618 000	412 000	1 030 000
	IEE	440 832	293 888	734 720
	ICT PSP	261 582	174 388	435 970
Civil protection financial instrument		117 000	78 000	195 000
Second Programme of Community Action in the Field of Health (2008-2013)		83 188	55 458	138 646
Marco Polo II		123 600	82 400	206 000
ISA		30 449	20 299	50 748
Life-long Learning Programme (LLP)		1 250 000	6 750 000	8 000 000
Youth in Action Programme		450 000	1 550 000	2 000 000
European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)		108 012	72 008	180 020
European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addictions (EMCDDA)		90 000	60 000	150 000
TOTAL		7 062 867	17 461 243	24 524 110

The exact total financial contribution to be paid by Croatia for the participation in listed programmes is or will be specified in the Memorandum of Understanding establishing the terms and conditions for participation in the Union Programme concerned.

The contribution from the national budget covers the difference between the total financial contribution of Croatia to the programmes as indicated in the above mentioned Memorandum of Understanding and the IPA support.

4. Implementation Arrangements

4.1. The National Fund is responsible for the IPA part of the financial contribution to be paid by the country to participate in Union Programmes.

4.2. Upon signature of the Financing Memorandum the National Fund will request from the Commission the transfer of the full amount of the IPA Support for each programme indicated in the section 3 above. These funds must be used to pay the IPA part of the financial contribution to be paid by the country to participate in Union Programmes.

4.3. The various Commission services responsible for the different programmes will send to the Mission of Croatia to the EU a request for the total financial contribution for the participation in a given programme or agency ("call for funds"). The National Fund should check the amounts to be financed from IPA funds and then transfer that amount as per the call for funds to the Commission service responsible. When making the payment for each programme, the National Fund should quote the reference number indicated in the call for funds for the programme concerned, and send simultaneously a copy of the payment order to the relevant Commission service.