STANDARD SUMMARY PROJECT FICHE

1. Basic Information :

1.1. Desiree Number: CZ2003/005-601.08.07

1.2. Title: Joint Regional Operational Programme – Measure 6.2
Development of tourism in municipalities
(Grant Scheme for Support of Tourism Related Infrastructure)

1.3. Sector: Economic and Social Cohesion

1.4. Location: The Czech Republic,
North-West Bohemia, Moravia-Silesia, Central Bohemia, Central Moravia, South-East Bohemia, South-West Bohemia, North-East Bohemia

2. Objectives

2.1. Overall Objectives

• To promote economic and social cohesion, in accordance with Resolution 714/99, in particular focused on the regeneration of an Objective I/NUTS II region.

2.2. Project Purpose

• Enhance the share of tourism industry in the regional economy through improved tourism infrastructure

2.3. Accession Partnership and NPAA Priority

• **Accession Partnership 2001**:
  According to the priority *Regional policy and co-ordination of structural instruments* there are following intermediate objectives:
  - develop project and programme generation and implementation capacity at central and regional level
  - continue development of monitoring and evaluation capacity
  - develop the technical preparation of projects eligible for Structural and Cohesion Funds assistance (project pipeline)

All these intermediate objectives can be substantially supported by an implementation of NP Phare 2003.

2.4. Contribution to National Development Plan (NDP) and Joint Regional Operational Programme (JROP)

The NDP (version: February 2003) defines the following specific objectives for 2000–2006:

- Creating conditions for economic growth by strengthening internal factors
- Balanced development of regions

Both specific objectives will benefit from the implementation of priority axis *Development of Tourism*.

JROP priority No.6 (Development of the tourism and spa industries) corresponds to the above mentioned priority axis of NDP.

This tourism infrastructure grant scheme mainly contributes to the activities aimed at achieving priority No.6 of JROP through implementation of limited number of projects which address activities under JROP measure 6.2 (Development of tourism in municipalities), which are in compliance with business-related infrastructure intervention area of National Programme Phare 2003, and ‘the Strategy of the Regional Development of the CR’ approved by the Czech Government in July 2000.

The Grant scheme is complementary with Operational Programme Infrastructure.

3. Description

3.1. Background and Justification

The project Joint Regional Operational Programme - Measure 6.2 Development of tourism in municipalities was chosen based on the consultation process with relevant regions and other bodies, applying the principle of partnership (for more information on the consultation process, see Annex 4).
According to preferences (grant total of points given by each NUTS II region to measure 6.2 based on criteria importance) as resulted from consultation process with all relevant NUTS II regions the indicative division of the allocation for activities of JROP measure 6.2. among NUTS II regions is made and will be adhered to during selection process.

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The objective conditions (environmental, cultural and historical heritage) for certain kinds of tourism exist in all respective regions, but this potential is not sufficiently taken advantage of.

The prerequisite of tourism development is the existence of tourist and recreation centres equipped with the necessary infrastructure. It is essential to construct, modify and modernise the tourism related traffic infrastructure (eg. access roads and parking lots) supporting tourism development in municipalities.

In addition to the direct economic impact, the implementation of the project will have substantial learning effect in all relevant regions to enhance the management and absorption capacity at NUTS II level for the implementation of the structural and cohesion policy in the Czech Republic.

Relevant regions are those that will fall under Objective 1 of structural funds. It is essential to prepare all structures in these regions for using sources of structural funds and efficient preparation and realisation of subprojects. As most regions were not involved in previous NP Phare programmes they are not familiar with these procedures, all Objective 1 NUTS II were chosen to get experience with SF type programmes mechanisms.

**Monitoring**

The aim of monitoring and reporting is to establish the effectiveness of the programme implementation and thus to ensure efficient use of public sources of funding. In the programming stage overall and specific programme objectives are identified based on selected JROP measures and their achievement is monitored based on indicators specified. There will be separated grant schemes implemented for every chosen measure (2.1. and 6.2.) in respective NUTS II regions.

Within the preparation for Structural Funds and in compliance with the EU requirements for proper monitoring and evaluation of the programmes, the MRD has introduced a new software tool – the MONIT information system that is installed in the Implementing Agency CRD.

IS MONIT is used by CRD for administering and monitoring the relevant grant scheme component in respective NUTS II regions and for the monitoring of the whole grant scheme, i.e. the whole programme. The IS generates the most important reports used especially for technical and financial monitoring. The basic information for individual project monitoring are taken out of the prescribed application form, namely the Logframe Matrix which enables to find out the quantified baseline data for relevant grant scheme and measure the progress of its implementation.

At the level of the MRD, the Monitoring System for Structural Funds (MSSF) is being now tested and prepared for future monitoring of Structural Funds. The exchange of information between MSSF and MONIT is assured and being tested within the NP Phare 2000 ESC. The MRD inputs the respective data into MSSF and it is expected to do as well for Phare 2003. The baseline data for the respective grant scheme can be quantified when the list of recommended projects is approved. Therefore the grant scheme indicators chosen are measurable and can be identified in technical and financial monitoring reports submitted by IA.

**3.2. Linked Activities**

Phare COP 1997:

CZ 9705.01.01.02-4 Olomouc Secretariat for the Hana Micro-region, Ostrava Secretariat for the Jeseniky Micro-region, Secretariat for the Pilot NUTS II Region - Northwest Bohemia provided support for preparing SF-type programmes through establishment of a pilot secretariat for micro-regions and assisting the NW Regional
Management and Monitoring Committee, and CZ 9705.01.01.01.01 Programme Manager for 3 Pilot Programmes assisting the pilot secretariats and providing policy and advisory support to the MRD in preparation of the legal and institutional framework for future structural funds;

**Phare NP 1998:**

**CZ9807.01 Establishment of National Development Strategy & Support Structure for SFs & CF** – a twinning project of 5 inter-related components providing know-how and assistance to institution building both at the national and regional levels, to capacity building in industry and to development of an efficient administrative structures for the pre-accession instruments SAPARD and ISPA

**CZ9807.02 Training Programmes:** Training of administrative structures for SF, providing participants with a general knowledge and understanding of EU structural policies and financial instruments, strategic planning, project development and financial management.

**CZ 9807.04.01-2 Investment support for the Hana and Jeseniky Micro-region** providing investment support to the typical rural area and doing the first step in building the institutional and absorption capacity in this region.

**Phare NP 1999:**

**CZ 9902.01 Strengthening Competitiveness** programme in CM is focused on the SME/Business support policy. The results of the programme will provide increased absorption capacity and a co-ordinated approach for involvement of RDAs, BDA & RPICs/BICs in the regions.

**Phare CZ 9916** - Project Preparation Facility (PPF) - two projects were used to assist in the efficient start up and implementation of the Phare projects, including preparation of necessary documents for investment projects and aid schemes (sub-project CZ9916.01.0002 Project preparation in NUTS II target regions supported by Phare programme produced various Guidance Notes on the following critical topics: Analysing the Demand for Industrial Land; Environmental Assessment in the Feasibility Study Documentation Process; Financial Aspects of Project Preparation; Economic Appraisal; Risk Assessment; Environmental Impact Assessment. Also a document laying out the structure for a Feasibility Study was produced - although this was targeted on projects to develop industrial sites and/or business incubators, the structure is logical and can easily be applied to all types of projects and can be used by beneficiaries in terms of project preparation).

**Phare NP 2000:** ESC support through:

**CZ00.09.01 Consolidation of the national development strategy and support, including preparation of the employment/HRD sector and the industry/productive sector for the implementation of the Structural and Cohesion Funds** being a follow up of the twinning project from Phare 98 focused particularly on well-prepared programme documentation, well-designed and appropriately staffed and equipped implementation and monitoring systems and developed national and regional capacity to generate and implement effective projects.

**CZ00.10.02-3 Investment in Target Region NUTS II North-West Bohemia and Moravia-Silesia** which in wider scope will contribute to strengthening the economic position and improving the social situation in the region by implementation of projects within the responsibilities of the MIT, MoLSA and MRD supporting productive sector, human resources development and business and tourist related infrastructure.

**Phare 2000 - Supplementary Investment Facilities**

1. Moravia – Silesia - infrastructure support of two industrial zones located outside Ostrava City (Koprivnice and Mošnov airport) are supported for the FDI attraction in these areas where former enterprises reduced the production.

2. N-WB – two investment project are included: Industrial park in Cheb and Industrial and Logistic centre in Lovosice

**Phare NP 2001** – Institutional Building project is proposed "Finalising of the institutional structures and measures to increase absorption capacity at the national and regional levels”.

**Phare NPP 2002/part II** – **Joint Regional Operational Programme and Community Support Framework** – Building Implementation Capacity which should ensure full compliance of all involved bodies at both central and regional levels with the relevant SF Regulations (MA for the JROP, relevant intermediate bodies; effective inter-ministerial co-ordination to ensure the management of the future CSF).

**Phare NP Phare 2003/part I** - Small-scale Business-related Infrastructure Grant Scheme in selected NUTS II regions (Northwest, Central Moravia and Moravia-Silesia) which in wider objective will contribute to creation of favourable conditions for new jobs and to reduce unemployment in three selected NUTS II regions.
Support from national sources:
Besides the EU support, substantial funds are being allocated from the Czech state budget for support of regional development.

3.3. Results
- Tourism related infrastructure improved (access roads to tourism facilities and cultural sights/heritage built and (re)constructed; tourism infrastructure enhanced)

3.4. Activities
Project will be implemented under Grant Scheme. Phare contribution per grant contract will be from € 50 000 to maximum € 300 000 and should be 50% of total public grant

Project activities will include and fall under following fields of intervention (numbers stated behind each field of intervention are used according to the Annex IV of the EC Regulation 438/2001):
- (Re)construction of access roads and paths to tourist facilities and cultural sights/heritage (e.g. access roads to ski lifts, access roads to castles, access roads to bikeways, access roads to walking trails) and/or tourism infrastructure (e.g. parking lots, resting areas, bus and train stops). – 171

1. Eligibility criteria:
- the applicant must be a regional public body (kraj/NUTS III region, municipality or organization founded or run by kraj or by municipality, association of municipalities)
- proposed project may not be co-financed from other EU funds,
- only those infrastructure projects which contribute to development of local business environment and are in line with the development strategy of respective NUTS III region (e.g. Programme for kraj’s development - PRK),
- project must be implemented in Objective 1 NUTS II region,
- applicant must submit valid land use permit as well as environmental impact assessment–EIA (where necessary) and feasibility study with its application.

2. Selection criteria:
- relevance of the project to the programme objectives,
- feasibility of project (IRR),
- impact of the project on environment (positive/negative),
- relevance of the project to the attraction of additional economic potential to the region
- sustainability of the project results
- management capacity of the applicant (experienced staff, equipment etc.)
- compliance of the proposed project indicators with the indicators of the programme

3.5. Lessons learned
During the implementation of previous programmes (namely NP Phare 2000 Investment in target NUTS II Regions Moravia-Silesia and North-West) the following lessons were learned.
- the process of Grant Dossier should be as short as possible,
- the Grant Dossier must be attentively prepared so that the conditions of the programme are not changed during the implementation
- the Call for Proposals should be launched two years before the end of disbursement deadline at the latest, otherwise the implementation of individual projects (works) is threatened due to time demanding subcontracting and seasonal character of those projects
- great attention must be paid to the evaluation of applications, the assessors need to be carefully trained before own evaluation has started

4. Institutional Framework
The below described institutional framework includes key institutions involved in the implementation and monitoring of this project:

The JROP Monitoring Committee (MC)
MC will be established by a government resolution on the basis of partnership principle. The head of the JROP Monitoring Committee will be a representative of the MRD. Also a representative of CFA (as an executive body of
NAC) will be a member of this committee. The duty of the Monitoring Committee is to provide a supervision of NP Phare 2003 implementation. The JROP MC will closely co-operate with the Regional Development Committees.

**Ministry for Regional Development (MRD)**
The MRD is the Contracting Authority for investment projects into the economic and social cohesion (ESC), i.e. it is the grant schemes for investment support. The designated PAO is based at the MRD. MRD will ensure regular informing of NAC through CFA

**Centre for Regional Development (CRD) - Implementing Agency (IA)**
The CRD is an Implementing Agency for investment programmes under the National Programme Phare. In its is responsible for contracting processes and procedures. The MRD is responsible for providing the co-financing for role of an IA, the CRD shall assume an overall responsibility for administrative, financial and technical management of the assistance provided to the target regions. The CRD headed by its director is accountable to the PAO.

**Regional Councils (RC)**
RCs co-operate with implementation bodies of the pre-accession programmes; they will co-ordinate the compliance of objectives and priorities of the project with other regional programming documents. RC nominates its representatives to the Evaluation Committee The RC also co-operates with the RDC in preparing regular Evaluation Reports of the Programme and submits them to the DEC.

**Regional Development Committees (RDC)**
The RDCs will – always within the relevant Cohesion Region – follow the Phare 2003 implementation. They will monitor project implementation in their NUTS II region by means of the monitoring indicators, they assess how the results and impacts help achieve the development objectives and priorities of the region. Each RDC will prepare monitoring report for a respective NUTS II region that will be approved by respective RC and submitted to the JROP Monitoring Committee as a basis for drafting Monitoring Report for the whole programme.

**Secretariats of Regional Councils**
Secretariats of RC will administer applications and will be Secretariats for Evaluation Committees. The secretariats will work under the supervision of the IA which will also provide all necessary training.

**Implementation of the Grant scheme:**
- Grant Dossier will be prepared by CRD in conjunction with MRD and submitted to DEC by PAO
- Call for proposals will be launched by MRD
- Project proposals will be submitted to the respective Secretariat of RC (keeping the PRAG rules).
- Project applications will be evaluated by the respective Evaluation Committee nominated by the PAO for each NUTS II region where representatives of the respective Regional Councils, Ministry for Regional Development participate in as voting members. Non-voting members are chairman and secretary who will be representatives of the CRD. The Delegation of the European Commission will have an observatory role.
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- The list of recommended projects will be approved by PAO and submitted to the Delegation of the European Commission
- The Grant Contracts will be signed by PAO
- The payments to the final beneficiaries will be carried out through MF-NF and MoRD Payment Unit

The projects will be monitored by the CRD in co-operation with regional bodies. The degree of JROP monitoring bodies involvement in Phare 2003 monitoring will be in particular described in the Operational Guidelines

**Interim Evaluation** will be provided under the responsibility of the CFA.

5. **Detailed Budget in M €**

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*The Phare contribution will be part of project joint co-financing. The share of Phare contribution to individual projects should be 50% of the total grant. The remaining 50% will be covered by the state budget. The minimum
contribution by final beneficiary (municipality, regional authority) will be 25% of the total project eligible costs. Czech co-financing will be ensured from MRD chapter of State budget during years 2004 – 2006 (in 2004 app. 7 M €, in 2005 app. 1.8 M € and in 2006 app. 0.65 M €).

6. Implementation Arrangements

The MRD has the overall responsibility for the project implementation.

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6.2. Non-standard aspects NA

6.3. Contracts
(1) Grant Scheme 9,0 M €

7. Implementation Schedule

Call for proposals in the regions 4Q/2003
Draft Final list of projects presented to the DEC 1Q/2004
Grant contract signature 2Q/2004
Project completion 3Q/2006

8. Equal Opportunity

Equal opportunity principles and practices in ensuring equitable gender participation in the project will be guaranteed.

9. Environment

The environmental impact assessment will be requested for investment projects (works contracts) according to the Czech Act No. 100/2001 Coll. on Environmental Impact Assessment and to a document “Procedures for assessment of environmental impact of infrastructure investment projects financed from the EU programmes” (approved by the Czech government on 11 October 2000).

10. Rates of Return

For investment (Works) projects submitted under a Grant Scheme applicants must submit a feasibility study.

11. Investment Criteria

Following criteria will be applied.

11.1. Catalytic effect:
Phare support will catalyse the process of improvement the economic and social cohesion in the region by investments in the proposed measure in compliance with the strategic objective of the National Development Plan and respective Joint Regional Operational Plan. This project by building business infrastructure should improve the conditions for business development and test efficiency of administrative structures and sufficient planning and absorption capacities for regional development and implementation of structural funds.

11.2. Co financing:
Phare contribution per grant contract will be from € 50 000 to maximum € 300 000 and should be 50% of total grant. The remaining 50% will be covered by the state budget. The maximum grant (joint financing of Phare and state budget) is 75% of total eligible project costs. The minimum contribution by final beneficiary will be 25% of the total project costs.

11.3 Additionality:
All investment sub-projects will respect the additionality principle showing that the EU support will only supplement other sources and will at no account replace investments of national sources allocated for support of the region.

11.4 Project readiness and size:
All documentation required (see article 3.4) will be attached to the application submitted by applicants following call for proposals.

11.5 Sustainability:
The investment sub-projects implemented under the proposed Grant Schemes will be sustainable for five years. They will prove - if applicable - the compliance with EU norms and standards, the financial sustainability and no negative effect on the environment.

11.6 Compliance with state aid provisions
All assistance proposed under this programme will be consistent with EU State Aid Rules as they would apply to an EU Objective 1 consistent with Treaty Articles 87 (a) and European Commission guidelines on regional aid published in the Official Journal of the European Communities on 10 March 1998.

11.7. Contribution to National Development Plan
see part 2.4

12. Conditionality and Sequencing
Phare financing will be conditional upon the successful completion of the following steps:
  - Co-financing from the state budget 2004-6 as indicated in the project budget approved;
  - All necessary structures and bodies in place;
  - Detailed roles of all bodies, especially CRD branches and Secretariats of RCs, established in line with SF approach principles respecting requirements of Phare programme implementation and avoiding conflict of interest;
  - Local financing for running of all bodies involved in the implementation of the grant scheme available.

13. Promotion and publicity requirements
The potential beneficiaries (regional public bodies) will be informed on the possibilities for support through the MRD and CRD web sites, regional newspaper and informative seminars, which will be held in respective NUTS II regions for wide range of participants.

Annexes to Project Fiche
1. Logframe planning matrix
2. Detailed implementation chart
3. Contracting and disbursement schedule
4. Description of consultation process
## LOGFRAME PLANNING MATRIX

**Project title:** Joint Regional Operational Programme - Measure 6.2 Development of tourism in municipalities

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### Overall Objective

- To promote economic and social cohesion, in accordance with Resolution 714/99, in particular focused on the regeneration of an Objective 1/NUTS II region.

- Acknowledgement by the European Commission

- Annual Report

### Project Purpose

- Enhance the share of tourism industry as a sustainable economic activity in the regional economy through improved tourism infrastructure

- Functioning EU/CR co-financing mechanism

- Participation of the administrative, management and monitoring structures for JROP in the whole programming and implementation phase of Phare 2003 programme (List and No. of JROP bodies involved)

- At least 320 (160 women/160 men) new jobs created and safeguarded in the field of tourism

- Reports and analyses of MRD

- Programme Evaluation reports

- Official statistics of the Czech Statistical Office

- Yearbook of tourism

- Czech legislation in compliance with related EU legislation regarding SFs

### Results

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Access roads to tourism facilities and cultural sights/heritage built and reconstructed  
Tourism infrastructure enhanced

At least 32 projects implemented in the field of access roads to tourism facilities and tourism infrastructure  
At least 90% of total financial allocation disbursed

Monitoring and assessment reports  
Project final reports  
Monitoring system of structural funds (MRD)  
Integrated regional information system (CRD)

agreement between MA MRD and CRD on delegation of responsibilities  
effective co-operation of JROP implementation structure bodies

### Activities

All above mentioned results will be achieved by implementation of selected activities of the JROP measure 6.2 Development of tourism in municipalities:

- (Re)construction of access roads and paths to tourist facilities and cultural sights/heritage (e.g. access roads to ski lifts, castles, bikeways, walking trails) and/or tourism infrastructure (e.g. parking lots, resting areas, bus and train stops)

### Means

Grant scheme implemented by CRD, acting as IA. Implementation process will be based on Phare rules with participation of JROP implementation structure bodies

Phare grant on each project within Grant scheme will be limited from 0,05 – 0,3 M€ and will create 50% of total grant. The remaining 50% of total grant will be covered by the state budget. The maximum grant (joint financing of Phare and state budget) is 75% of total eligible project costs. The minimum contribution by final beneficiary will be 25% of the total eligible project costs.

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### Assumptions

- Availability of good quality projects
- management capacities of relevant bodies
- efficient action management
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- compliance of the proposed project’s indicators with the indicators of the programme

Detailed description of the selection criteria and required supporting documentation will be given in the Guidelines for Applicants prepared by the MRD.

### Preconditions
- All relevant bodies of JROP implementation structure established
## Detailed Implementation Chart for the Project

**Project:** Joint Regional Operational Programme - Measure 6.2 Development of tourism in municipalities

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### Cumulative Contracting and Disbursement Schedule

**Annex 3**

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 Annex 4

**Description of consultation process**

*(Ministry for Regional Development – business-related infrastructure)*

Based on several discussions/meetings between Delegation of European Commission (DEC) and relevant ministries Ministry for Regional Development (MRD) addressed the regions asking them for final selection and prioritisation of pre-selected JROP measures (eligible for Phare support) at the beginning of January 2003. This scoring of measures have been done based on relevant criteria agreed with DEC.

Regions consulted this issue with their social and economic partners. The lists of partners differed region from region but mostly municipalities, universities, Regional Development Agencies, employment agencies, departments of regional authorities concerned and many more partners were asked to join the process. These partners expressed their opinion about what measures should be considered as useful for particular region and as a result of their consultations MRD has received 13 filled tables from each NUTS III region. The table contained the evaluation of each measure in conformity with five relevant criteria. Each measure could have been marked by number of points from 1 to 4 (min-max) in relation to criteria separately, so that each measure could get 20 points as a maximum.

MRD have been aware that the results of final selection have to be presented for NUTS II regions instead of NUTS III. That is a reason why the arithmetic mean of finally received points for each NUTS II region has been added up and MRD assessed an order of measures most wanted and less wanted. Then the summary of received points of each measure in all NUTS II regions has been counted up and final results (total score of each measure from all regions - max. score is 140 pts.) have been as follows: 5.1 Renewal and development of rural communities (120 pts.); 2.1 Development of regional transport infrastructure (114,8 pts.); 6.2 Development of tourism in municipalities (102,8 pts.); 1.2 Preparation of areas and other property for business (94,6 pts.); 5.2 Development of small enterprises and workmen in rural areas (85,3 pts.); 3.1 Infrastructure for development of human resources in municipalities and regions (85,1 pts.).

Although the JROP measure 5.1 has been ranked at the first place it has been refused by DEC due to possible overlaps with SAPARD measures and will not be implemented under NP Phare 2003. Given the fact that all six pre-selected JROP measures can not be implemented under NP Phare 2003 since as it should test JROP structures for SF the selection of measures must be very limited. This is a reason why limited activities of the first two ranked measures 2.1 and 6.2 are proposed for the implementation under Phare 2003.

Based on overall results of measures selection from all NUTS II Objective I regions in the Czech Republic NP Phare 2003 allocation for JROP will be divided between measures 2.1 and 6.2 as follows:

- Measure 2.1 - 55 %
- Measure 6.2 - 45 %

According to preferences (grant total of points given by each NUTS II region to measure 6.224 based on criteria importance) as resulted from consultation process with all relevant NUTS II regions the indicative division of the allocation for activities of JROP measure 6.2. among NUTS II regions is made and will be adhered to during selection process (as expressed in a table below).

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