SUMMARY PROJECT FICHE

1. Title: 
   Institution Building of Regulatory Bodies Under Supervision of the Ministry of Economic Affairs

2. Project n°: 
   ES 9903

3. Location: 
   Tallinn / Tartu, Estonia

4. Objectives:

The project “Institution Building of Regulatory Bodies Under Supervision of the Ministry of Economic Affairs” will consist of three sub-projects for which a detailed description is provided in separate Sub-project fiches and for which twinning fiches have been prepared.

The project aims to improve the organisational efficiency and effectiveness of key regulatory and surveillance bodies which are required to assume new or amended functions in the build up to EU accession. The bodies assisted will be:

- the National Metrology and Accreditation Centre (sub-project 1)
- the Consumer Protection Board (sub-project 2)
- the Patents Office and Patents Library (sub-project 3)

5. Budget (in MEUR)

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<th>Recipient* (National Budget)</th>
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* In cases of co-financing only
** testing equipment for laboratories
*** IT and CD-library

6. Implementation arrangements

The CFCU is the Implementing Agency responsible for tendering, contracting and accounting. Responsibility for the technical preparation, implementation and control will remain with the recipient institutions.

To guarantee sufficient co-ordination of the project and awareness about project aims and achievements Project Steering Committees will be established for each of the components of the overall programme. The PSC meetings will be convened quarterly and will be chaired by the General Director of the relevant regulatory body. PSC includes twinning expert, representative from EC Delegation in Estonia, donor assistance co-ordinator from the Ministry of Finance and the officer responsible for the area in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and any other officials from beneficiary organisation, closely connected to the project. PSC may include observer members. The main objective of the Steering Committee meetings would be to review and approve the project progress reports and make recommendations in regard to next quarter’s activities.

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7. Implementation schedule

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8. Environment

The project will concentrate on the organisational management of the bodies involved. It is not anticipated that there will be any environmental impact of the activities of the project.

9. Rates of return: n/a

10. Investment criteria

The project aims to institutionalise improved organisational approaches in a fully sustainable manner. The project will focus on the higher level management of the bodies involved. It is intended that new approaches will gradually be adopted throughout the organisation both during and after the project.

11. Equal opportunities

Equal participation of men and women will be assured in each sub-project.

12. Conditionality and sequencing

Investment components are conditional on the results and findings of institution building activities. Detailed conditionality is provided with each sub-project.

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