Standard Summary Project Fiche

1. Basic Information

1.1 Désirée Number: MT-01-07

1.2 Country: Malta

1.3 Title: Participation of Malta in 2002 in the Community programmes Leonardo da Vinci II, Socrates II and Youth

2. Description

On the basis of Association Council decisions and Agreements, candidate countries may participate in certain European Community programmes and agencies. The pre-accession programme for Cyprus and Malta based on Council Regulation EC/555/2000 can be used to help these countries to meet, with increasing contributions on the side of the Candidate country, part of the costs of participating in those programmes and agencies. As from 2001, these funds will be made available each year as part of the national programme undertaken under the EU assistance so as to co-finance the financial contribution to be paid by the country to participate in these programmes and agencies in the following year.

The candidate countries from Central and Eastern Europe (CEECs) have already been participating in around 30 Community programmes, including Leonardo da Vinci, Socrates and Youth. The decisions establishing these programmes for the period 2000-2006 provide that they are open to the participation of Malta, among other countries.

The Leonardo da Vinci, Socrates and Youth programmes represent a great part of the Community acquis in the fields of training, education and youth. Participation in these programmes allow citizens and national administrations of candidate countries and Member States to develop co-operation and exchange networks and should speed up integration of these countries into a Europe of knowledge and support their preparation for accession to the European Union. Full participation benefits both these countries and the EU. It supports economic development in them.

Malta has confirmed its willingness to participate in the second phase of Leonardo da Vinci, and the second phase of Socrates as from 2000, and in the Youth programme from 2001. As the participation of Malta in Community programmes is not provided in its Association Agreement, the conditions and modalities of its participation are defined in a specific agreement with the Community.

To participate in these programmes, Malta has to pay each year a financial contribution, which is established in the said agreement. To finance its contribution as entry ticket in 2002, Malta expressed its wish to use, as a complement to its national budget, part of the pre-accession funds allocated in 2001 on the basis of the pre-accession strategy for Malta adopted by the Council Regulation (EC) No
In view of the participation of Malta in the Leonardo da Vinci II, Socrates II and Youth programmes in 2002, it is now proposed to the Phare Management Committee the required pre-accession funds applicable to Malta.

3. Detailed Budget

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<th>Programme</th>
<th>EU Support</th>
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<td>Leonardo II</td>
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4. Implementation Arrangements

4.1 The National Fund is responsible for the EU assistance part of the financial contribution to be paid by the country to participate in Community programmes and agencies.

4.2 Upon signature of the Financing Memorandum the National Fund will request from the Commission the transfer of the full amount of the EU assistance Support indicated in section 3 above. These funds must be used to pay the EU part of the financial contribution to be paid by the country to participate in Community programmes and agencies.

4.3 The various Commission services responsible for the different programmes or agencies will send to the Mission of Malta to the EU a request for the total financial contribution for participation in a given programme or agency ("call for funds"). The National Fund should check the amount to be financed from EU pre-accession 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.
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Agreement between the European Community and Malta adopting the terms and conditions for the participation of Malta in Community programmes in the fields of training, education and youth - Official Journal L 267, 20/10/2000 p. 0047 - 0051