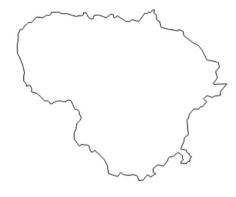
Wearing apparel



Reference EGF/2009/018

Member State Lithuania

Sector Manufacture of wearing apparel

Submitted to European 23 September 2009

Commission

Total budget planned €805 355

EGF contribution €523 481

Intervention criterion Article 2 (b)

Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006

Period of reference 16 October 2008 to 15 July 2009

Redundancies during period of reference

1154 redundancies in the clothing sector. The application concerns personalised measure to be provided to the 491 workers still in need of assistance at the time of the application.

Active employment measures

Including:

- the provision of information on employment

opportunities,

- the development of personalised

employment plans,

- job-search assistance,

- training and re-training,

- outplacement assistance,

- promotion of entrepreneurship,

- job-search allowances and training

allowances.

BACKGROUND

- Redundancies follow the steep slowdown in the clothing sector as a result of the economic crisis.
- Lithuania has one of the highest rates of unemployment in the EU and alternative employment opportunities are few and far between.
- Although the clothing and textile sectors have been vulnerable in Europe for some time, the depth of the economic and financial crisis placed greater strains on the sector than had been anticipated..
- The whole of Lithuania is affected, and the application concerns workers in the entire country. A total of 45 enterprises, mostly small and medium-sized enterprises, are cited in the application as having made workers redundant during the reference period.

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