

Development of Quality Infrastructure and Metrology - Montenegro (DQIM)

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EU PROJECT

"DEVELOPMENT OF QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE AND METROLOGY - MONTENEGRO" (DQIM)

Project "**Development of Quality Infrastructure and Metrology - Montenegro**" (DQIM) is financed by the EU within the IPA Action Programme 2011 and managed by the Delegation of the European Union to Montenegro. Project is implemented by Adetef – Assistance Technique France (France), as the Leader, in consortium with LNE (France) and SMU (Slovakia).

The **main goal** of the project is to facilitate trade and free movement of goods in compliance with EU acquis and WTO requirements in the field of Chapter 1 – Free movement of goods.

A specific objective is to enhance the capacity of the beneficiary to meet the EU legislative, regulatory and technical requirements.

The direct **beneficiaries** of the project are:

- Ministry of Economy of Montenegro (Department for Quality Infrastructure),
- Bureau of Metrology,
- Agency for medicines and medical devices (CALIMS).

The Project started on 18 March 2013 and planned duration of the project is 24 months (until 17 March 2015). The value of the project is € 600,000.00.

There are **3 key areas** to be covered through realization of the DQIM project:

- **Area 1** will focus on enhancing the transposition of the 'acquis' in the field of quality infrastructure including complete gap assessment of the Montenegrin legislation with view to the 'acquis' in the field of free movement of goods and the transposition of 6 'New Approach' directives (NADs) and 30 sectoral directives.
- **Area 2** is expected to improve the administrative capacity of the Department of Quality Infrastructure at the Ministry of Economy through a series of training exercises and awareness raising events. This component has also to establish the WTO Enquiry Point for Technical Regulations and to ensure full communication with WTO/TBT Secretariat.
- **Area 3** is focused on improving the capacities of the Montenegrin Bureau of Metrology (BoM) through the preparation of 3 metrology labs for accreditation by the national accreditation body and assisting the Bureau of Metrology for preparing for a peer assessment on traceability of chosen measurement standards.

Results to be achieved through implementation of the DQIM project are as follows:

- **Result 1:** Enhanced transposition of the acquis in the field of QI;
 - 6 New Approach Directives (NAD) transposed and necessary changes in the secondary legislation mapped out by end of project;
 - 30 sectoral directives (Old approach directives) transposed in national legislation;
 - Needs&Gaps assessment for legislation in the field of free movement of goods.



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- **Result 2:** Improved administrative capacity of DQI;
 - At least 150 persons trained and familiar with Montenegrin obligations with regard to the negotiations of Chapter 1: FMG and based on a quality Training Needs Assessment;
 - DQI trained on the Directives 98/34/EC and 98/48/EC and all required procedures are established and implemented;
 - WTO Enquiry Point for Technical Regulations established and functioning;
 - Full communication with WTO/TBT Secretariat established;
 - Raised awareness of stakeholders (CABs, Manufacturers and other Governmental bodies) about the new tasks of the DQI in notification of technical regulations and in notification of conformity assessment bodies.

- **Result 3:** Improved capacity of the National Metrology Institution
 - Metrology laboratories equipped to the EU standards;
 - At least three laboratories accredited by the National Accreditation Body (ATCG) and an accreditation body that is a signatory to an EA MLA;
 - Positive opinion on traceability of chosen measurements standards (see in annex 4) received from NMI (National Metrology Institute) provided by a Member of EURAMET;
 - Staff completely prepared to operate the new fully equipped laboratories.

Montenegro DQIM Project Office is located in Podgorica and uses premises of the Agency for medicines and medical devices, 64A, Bulevar Ivana Crnojevića (the building is annexed to Pension and Disability Insurance Fund).

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