

Project Fiche 7

Title	General Technical Assistance Facility		
Total cost	€2 million		
Aid Method	Centralised management		
DAC-code	99810	Sector	Other

1 RATIONALE

1.1 Strategic framework

Information given under other project fiches applies.

1.2 Lessons learnt

Information given under other project fiches applies.

1.3 Complementary actions

Information given under other project fiches applies.

1.4 Donor coordination

Information given under other project fiches applies.

2 COUNTRY CONTEXT

Information given under other project fiches applies.

3 DESCRIPTION

3.1 Objectives

The main purpose of the General Technical Assistance Facility (GTAF) is to allow project preparation to proceed in a quick and effective manner. The GTAF will support the preparation and early implementation of activities under the Annual Programme, and support the planning process for future Programmes.

3.2 Expected results and main activities

Actions to be supported are likely to include: (i) recruitment of short-term technical assistance (local and international) for activities typically including feasibility studies, inputs to terms of reference and specifications, and tender evaluations; (ii) audits, monitoring, thematic / programme / project evaluations; and (iii) project preparatory and start-up actions. – Operational support for twinning activities is included. The GTAF can be used to cover additional programme related priorities and expenditures that are currently unforeseeable.

3.3 Stakeholders and institutional capacity

Information given under other project fiches applies.

3.4 Risks and assumptions

Information given under other project fiches applies.

3.5 Conditionalities

None

3.6 Crosscutting Issues

Information given under other project fiches applies.

4 IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

4.1 Implementation method

Centralised Management by the EC Delegation, Kiev.

4.2 Budget and calendar

Budget €2 million

The operational duration of the project(s) is estimated to be 36 months.

4.3 Procurement and award of grants procedures

All contracts implementing the financing agreement must be awarded and implemented in accordance with the procedures and standard documents laid down and published by the Commission for the implementation of external operations, in force at the time of the launch of the procedure in question.

All programme estimates must respect the procedures and standard documents laid down by the Commission, in force at the time of the adoption of the programme estimates in question.

4.4 Performance monitoring - Evaluation and audit

The project will be monitored according to standard procedures.

Project monitoring and evaluation will be based on periodic assessment of progress on delivery of specified project results and towards achievement of project objectives.