



PROGRAMUL DE COOPERARE ELVEȚIANO-ROMÂN
SWISS-ROMANIAN COOPERATION PROGRAMME

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The assistance agreement by means of the Project Preparation Facility within Objective 1 of the Thematic Focus Area 4 „improvement of the environment” of the Swiss - Romanian Cooperation Programme

After the signature of the assistance agreement by means of the Project Preparation Facility within Objective 1 of the Thematic Focus Area 4 -Improvement of the environment”, of the Swiss - Romanian Cooperation Programme, Arad City, by the Project’s Implementing Unit, carried on the following actions in view of completing the Support Measure :

According to the procedure of public procurement of consultancy services, on the 26th June 2012 the Agreement for the provision of services was concluded between Arad City and BRANDES ENERGIY AG ELVETI & SEVA GROUP ROMANIA, having as main subject matter the assessment of the initial situation (original review with EEA instruments) and analysis of the performed activities, review of the action plan on durable energy, assessment of the most promising projects in the energetic infrastructure and development of the outlines for 3 priority projects, in view of developing the Support Measure.

The services performed based upon the Consultancy agreement no. 40767/26.06.2012 were the following:

Initial review, analysis of the performed activities:

- Assessment of the initial situation;
- Inspection of the energy team in the city;
- Initial energetic review with EEA instruments, analysis of the existing activities;
- Establishing the reference rates for the CO2 emissions
- Report on the initial situation

PAED Review:

- Review of the objectives and targets;
- Review of the existing PAED;
- Recommendation for new measures of PAED.

Assessment of the project:

- evaluation of the most promising projects in the energetic infrastructure;
- development of outlines for 3 priority projects;





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In September 2012 we started the procedures related to the procurement of external financial audit provided in the Financing Agreement on the Assistance granted according to the Projects Preparation Facility, Objective 1 of the Thematic Focus Area 4 – Improvement of the environmental quality, included in the Swiss - Romanian Cooperation Programme. As a result we purchased the financial audit services from SC HORGHA CONSULTING SRL, based on the Agreement for the provision of services no. 60289/28.09.2012. The audit services were contracted for carrying on the audit sessions along the project's implementing period: four sessions of intermediate audit and one final audit. The auditor shall check the means of conducting the accounting records for the projects, shall inspect the truthfulness and lawfulness of the effected payments, the conformity of the documents to the requirements of the financing agent, in view of providing for the eligibility of all the incurred expenses, requested upon reimbursement.

In view of obtaining the financing by means of the Objective 1 of the Focus Area 4 – Improvement of the environmental quality, included in the Swiss - Romanian Cooperation Programme, on the 11th January 2013 the Action Plan on Durable Energy of Arad City together with 3 project outlines were submitted to the Intermediate Body (Ministry of Internal Affairs):

- Rehabilitation of the transport and distribution network for thermal energy (heating) in the City of Arad and transformation of the PT Aradul Nou (heating facility Aradul Nou);
- Organization of bicycles lanes on Faleză Mureș (Mureș Promenade);
- Extension of the public lightning system in the City of Arad by implementing the solution of electric energy supply from photovoltaic systems.

For the reimbursement of the eligible expenses incurred for the consultancy services in view of updating the PAED, prioritizing the projects, drafting the projects' outlines in view of implementing the Swiss - Romanian Cooperation Programme, based upon the Consultancy agreement no. 40767/26.06.2012, on the 11th March 2013 the following documents were submitted to the Ministry of Public Finance and to the Payment and Contracting Office for PHARE: the payment request, the final report and the audit report accompanied by supporting documents: agreements for the provision of services, acceptance reports, fiscal invoices, payment orders, statements of account and copies of the notices relating to the accounting of the operations that were carried on.

