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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Since 2010, GIZ is implementing the project 'Modernization of Local Public Services in the Republic of Moldova' (MLPS) under the commission of the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

The institutional counterpart of MLPS is the Ministry of Regional Development and Construction (MRDC), while the main implementing bodies are the three Regional Development Agencies (RDAs).

The primary beneficiaries of MLPS are the citizens of Local Public Authorities (LPAs) in the three Socio-Economic Development Regions of Moldova.

The project implementation timeframe is set for the period 01/2010 – 12/2015.

BMZ and the Government of Moldova have decided, that a follow-up project shall commence in 01/2016.

The overall objective of the project is to improve local public service delivery in selected communities in the Republic of Moldova through supporting the regional and local actors in linking the local needs with the regional and national priorities.

MLPS covers two areas of intervention:

Intervention Area 1 – Local Public Services

- Support to Regional Development Agencies and Local Public Authorities in planning, developing, implementing and managing pilot projects for the improvement of local public services.

Under Intervention Area 1, MLPS collaborated with MRDC and three Regional Development Agencies, as well as with many of the above-mentioned partner institutions with a view to supporting various Local Public Authorities of the 1st level from 9 districts ('Rayons') in the implementation of the following pilot projects:

- Improving Water Supply and Sanitation Services in Cahul Rayon
- Improving Water Supply and Sanitation Services in Riscani Rayon
- Improving Water Supply in Leova Rayon
- Improving Solid Waste Management in Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons,
- Improving Solid Waste Management in Floresti Rayon,
- Improving Street Lighting in Tatarauca Veche, Soroca Rayon
- Improving Energy Efficiency for Orhei Rayon Hospital
- Improving Energy Efficiency for Nisporeni Rayon Hospital

The pilot projects are implemented using the model for efficient public service and are supported by MLPS in the following 5 areas:

- Local strategic planning and programming (support on preparing the respective chapter of the Rayon's Socio-Economic Development Strategy and local development plans);
- Community participation via information and awareness raising campaigns of citizens as

- clients of the Local Public Services;
- Implementation of measures to improve the infrastructure in the three sectors;
- Strengthening the capacity of the service providers in the three sectors;
- Promotion of Inter-municipal Cooperation for regional provision of public services in the 3 sectors.

Intervention Area 2 – Regional Planning and Programming

- Support to Regional Development Agencies and Local Public Authorities in regional sector planning and programming.

Under Intervention Area 2, MLPS continued to provide support to all parties involved, with a view to improving regional sector planning and programming in the field of Water Supply and Sanitation, Solid Waste Management, Energy Efficiency in public buildings and Regional and Local Roads.

Apart from its institutional counterparts, MRDC and the three Regional Development Agencies (North, Centre and South), the main partners of the project are:

- Ministry of Environment;
- Ministry of Economy;
- Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure;
- State Chancellery;
- LPAs of the 1st level (mayoralities) and LPAs of the 2nd level (Rayons' administration);
- Regional Development Councils;
- Energy Efficiency Agency;
- Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

- Academy of Public Administration;
- Congress of Local Authorities of Moldova;
- Association of Water Providers.

The total budget of MLPS project is EUR 23.8 million for the period 2010-2015.

MLPS is financed by the following donors:

- Government of Germany (EUR 12.6 million)
- Government of Sweden (EUR 5.5 million)
- Government of Romania EUR (0.7 million)
- European Commission (EUR 5 million)

Complementary to MLPS, the BMZ has commissioned the Project 'Fund for Regional Development in the Republic of Moldova' at the end of 2012, which provides financial means to support the implementation of a number of pilot projects aimed at improving local public service delivery in different sectors – Water supply and sanitation, Solid waste management, Energy Efficiency in public buildings. The current budget of the Fund for Regional Development project is EUR 7.3 million.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

During the reporting period 1 April to 30 June 2015, MLPS registered substantial progress in implementing the planned activities in both Intervention Areas. The main achievements of MLPS are the following:

In close cooperation with MRDC, Regional Development Councils and Regional Development Agencies, three

Regional Sector Programmes in the Regional and local roads sector in all three regions have been approved by the Regional Development Councils from the North, Centre and South regions. In this context, it is worthwhile mentioning that the regional sector planning process in 4 sectors (WSS, EE, SWM, RLR) has been successfully completed.

To date, more than 200 project ideas have been identified and reviewed in Water Supply and Sanitation, Solid Waste Management, Energy Efficiency in public buildings, Regional and Local Roads Sectors. Out of total of 65 Possible Project Concepts proposed for further analysis by the Inter-ministerial commissions created by order of MRDC, the PPC have been prioritized to further development as Viable Project Concepts as follows:

- 13 Project Concepts in Energy Efficiency with a combined volume of about EUR 19.5 million;
- 3 Project Concepts in Solid Waste Management with a combined volume of about EUR 38.5 million;
- 12 Project Concepts in Water supply and sanitation worth of about EUR 35 million;
- Out of 28 Possible Project Concepts in Regional and Local Roads worth about EUR 270 million, 19 PPCs are planned to be presented to the inter-ministerial commission for analysis and prioritisation.

The work on the further development of the prioritized VPCs is under the process.

Also, during the reporting period, the initial dialogue with the potential donors interested to synchronize the

efforts in project development and implementation in the sectors of RLR, SWM and EE has been enhanced.

As result of transfer of ownership on pilot projects at the regional and local level, local project managers have been selected, local steering committees have been created and first Local Steering Committees' meeting have taken place for each pilot project.

In the sector of Water Supply and Sanitation on 8 May 2015 was signed the Memorandum of Understanding for the pilot project 'Modernization of local public services of water supply in Leova rayon' including annexes (logical framework matrix, operational plan for project's implementation and risk matrix) between project partners.

In Riscani rayon, were developed and approved the last four WSS chapters from local development plans (in total 15 local development plans planned to update) by respective LPAs.

In Energy Efficiency in public buildings, within the European Sustainable Energy Week in Moldova it was developed, published and distributed 1000 copies of 'Practical Guide on implementing energy management system in public institutions'.

With the support of MLPS project, MRDC and RDAs have launched the campaign 'Building the Future at Home'. The campaign aims to encourage local cooperation for developing and implementing regional development projects.

Also with the support of MLPS and in close collaboration with MRDC was initiated the assessment procedure of NSRD 2010-2012, 2013-2015 and the

procedure for developing NSRD 2016-2020.

CHALLENGES:

Although various achievements were recorded during the reporting period, the MLPS project faced several **challenges**:

- Local elections contributed to delays in the decision making process at the local level, which led directly to the slowdown of pilot projects' implementation.
- RDAs and LPAs were for the first time exposed to a complex and comprehensive approach, which moves away from the local approach delimited by territorial administrative borders towards a regional sector architecture.
- Insufficient communication and coordination among the line ministries in relation to regional development.
- Lack of capacity and political will of LPAs to promote and implement integrated SWM system according to international standards, as well as lack of awareness of the long-term benefits of the proposed system.
- Fragmented and uncoordinated national and international funding sources make it difficult to achieve a coherent and sustainable impact. From the perspective of the MLPS-project this is relevant to the following national funding sources: National Fund for Regional Development, Environmental

Fund, Energy Efficiency Fund, National Road Fund. There is a financial coverage uncertainty (from the National Fund for Regional Development) for the sorting and transfer stations from Floresti Rayon, as well as for the Parcani Solid Waste Management Centre.

- Economic advantages of inter-municipal cooperation regarding service provision deserve stronger promotion. It is observed a lack of concept on regionalisation of services at the national level, as well as the need for further capacity development and support. Reluctance of local councils in approving regionalization of services and creation of regional service providers require concerted and convincing efforts by state institutions as well as concrete bylaws in relation to the Law on Inter-Municipal Services.

Pilot Projects and the Project Pipeline require full ownership of all involved local, regional and national institutions. The MLPS-project can provide advisory services, technical assistance, but cannot take decisions on behalf of Moldovan institutions. This issue has constituted a specific challenge during the reporting period in the case of the Solid Waste Management project in Soldanesti and Rezina and in the identification of landfill sites in the framework of the Regional Sector Programmes.

- During the public procurement processes of construction works the MLPS-project was

confronted with three main challenges:

1. Poor quality of technical documentation prepared on behalf of Local Public Authorities;
2. Relative low number of bids meeting the formal requirements.

This resulted in postponements in the approval of the public procurement documentation packages and in delays due to cancelations or/and because of multiple publications. MLPS observed a lack of qualified companies to present valid and complete bidding documents. The project had to invest considerable resources (in terms of time and consultancy) in updating technical documentation and preparation of the tender documentation and has introduced new internal quality control mechanisms to avoid unnecessary delays. A major challenge is related to the introduction of 'advanced' technologies and techniques requiring intensive coordination with Moldovan authorities.

International companies that are interested in participating at the tender procedure need to physically come to Moldova to study the documentation as mainly the standard documentation and bill of quantity are electronically disseminated upon request and payment. Further, foreign companies cannot present the required Moldovan licenses allowing them to deliver works. An additional difficulty for them is to prepare offers referring to

construct norms originating from the former soviet system. Tender documents are usually prepared only in Romanian language. All this leads to a very weak participation of foreign companies at the tender procedures. Currently, only a consortium with a Moldovan company remains as a solution.

3. Outdated standards and norms remain a barrier to project implementation – standards need to be updated to contemporary practice in Europe, both for materials used as well as for the actual implementation of projects. For example, investments in increased energy efficiency of public buildings meet lower standards than in EU countries due to outdated standards for materials and IT systems/databases in use for cost estimations.

- Lack of institutional responsibility for applying the legal framework and paying adequate tariff for public services has a negative influence in insuring the sustainability of services operator and investments. This has specifically constituted a challenge in the pilot project in Solid Waste Management in Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons.

CONCLUSIONS and RECOMMENDATIONS to partners:

- To ensure and agree upon an unified message by the

Government of Moldova to the donor community and the development banks in relation to the relevance the Regional Sector Programmes – both for the regions and sector ministries.

At the policy/MRDC/NCCRD level, there is a need to decide that the systematic planning and pipeline approach will serve as the basis for future funding of the regional development projects. This should apply to National Fund for Regional Development and other national extra-budgetary funds.

It is recommended that MRDC initiates the creation of the inter-ministerial working group for the development of the concept for attracting and aligning financial resources for the implementation of systematically developed regional development projects.

In this context, it is recommended that MRDC with the support of MLPS presents at the next meeting of the NCCRD recommendations regarding the improvement of inter-ministerial cooperation and implementation of the regional development policy.

It is also necessary to further strengthen the donor dialogue via an active platform to promote and mobilize the necessary resources for the implementation of the investment projects coming out from the developed Regional Sector Programmes in the four sectors.

- In the case of the pilot projects, it is recommended that the RDAs take on a stronger

leadership on further project implementation in accordance with the 5 pillars model for efficient public service delivery and the respective Memoranda of Understanding.

- It is recommended to request the State Chancellery to develop further the Inter-Municipal Cooperation legal and normative framework, as well as operational instruments for regionalization of public services, particularly in relation to Water supply and sanitation and Solid waste management services.
- It is recommended that MRDC renews efforts to identify potential assistance to be provided via national and international community (specifically EU, Romanian Government) and to start the synchronization of the national standards and regulations in construction with the relevant European standards in the immediate future.
- It is recommended that MRDC together with relevant institutions promotes the establishment of procedures/effective instruments for organizing collection of taxes and fees on a cost recovery basis and consider sanctions at the local level.

Details on the progress achieved as per agreed milestones of the MLPS project are presented in the next chapters of this report.

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ADA	Austrian Development Agency
AEE	Agency for Energy Efficiency
ALRC	Agency of Land Relations and Cadastre
AMAC	Moldovan Water Supply Association
APA	Academy of Public Administration
BMZ	German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development
CALM	Congress of Local Authorities from Moldova
CBC	Cross-Border Cooperation
CCI	Chamber of Commerce and Industry
CD	Capacity Development
CM	Community Mobilisation
CPA	Central Public Administration
CPSS	Complementary Private Service Support
DR	Development Region
EE	Energy Efficiency
EEF	Energy Efficiency Fund
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ENI	European Neighbourhood Instrument
ENPI	The European Neighbourhood Partnership Instrument
FS	Feasibility Study
GIZ	German Development Cooperation through Deutsche Gesellschaft für
GOPA	Gesellschaft für Organisation, Planung und Ausbildung (Consulting Group)
GPS	Global Positioning System
IA	Intervention Area
IMC	Inter-municipal cooperation
INV	Investment measures
ISWMC	Integrated Solid Waste Management Center
JSC	Joint Stock Company

LC	Local Council
LCC	Local Citizens Committee
LPA	Local Public Administration
LPP	Local planning and programming
LPS	Local Public Services
LSC	Local Steering Committee
MDL	Moldovan Lei
MDRC	Ministry of Regional Development and Construction
ME	Municipal Enterprise
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MIEPO	Moldovan Investment and Export Promotion Organization
MoEnv	Ministry of Environment
MLPS	Modernization of Local Public Services
MTRI	Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
NALAS	Network of Associations of Local Authorities of South-East Europe
NCCRD	National Coordination Council of Regional Development
NCFM	National Commission for Financial Markets
NFRD	National Fund for Regional Development
PD	Project Development
PIP	Project Implementation Plan
PMSI	Public Medical-Sanitary Institution
PPC	Possible Project Concept
PPM	Public Property Management
RUTIF	Registry of Urban Technical Infrastructure Facilities
R(S)WG	Regional (Sector) Working Group
RBM	Results Based Monitoring
RC	Rayon Council
RD	Regional Development
RDA	Regional Development Agency
RDC	Regional Development Council
RLR	Regional and local roads
RM	Republic of Moldova

RPP	Regional Planning and Programming
RSP	Regional Sector Programme
SEDS	Socio-Economic Development Strategy
SIADR	Informational System for RDAs
SWM	Solid Waste Management
SWMZ	Solid Waste Management Zone
TA	Technical Assistance
ToR	Terms of Reference
ToT	Training of Trainers
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VPC	Viable Project Concept
PWG	Project Working Group
WSS	Water Supply and Sanitation

INTERVENTION AREA 1. LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES

Progress Review

This chapter concerns the progress made in achieving various results within **Intervention Area 1 – Local Public Services** following project indicators and monitoring the achievement of planned milestones. These are elaborated based on the assumption that the planned activities will lead to progress in reaching the IA1 specific objective: ***‘The Local Public Authorities effectively cooperate and manage the improvements of local public services in the selected communities in pilot rayons’.***

The progress in reaching this specific objective is measured using the main success indicators presented below:

Success indicators for IA1:

- Indicator 1: 25 planned pilot measures for the improvement of local public services are being implemented in the three project priority sectors (Baseline: 2010: 0; Verification source: Implemented financing agreements);
- Indicator 2: Local public authorities signed 70 formal agreements for the joint delivery of local public services in the three project priority sectors (Baseline: 2010: 0; Verification source: Cooperation agreements);
- Indicator 3: In 35 communities, 50% of implemented measures in the three project priority sectors have improved women’s access to local public services (Baseline: 2010: 0; Verification source: Representative survey in 10 communities).

This information relates to the timeframe 1 April 2015 to 30 June 2015 and to all the

milestones in the 3 sectors (WSS, SWM and EE) and mostly targets the selected communities in the following pilot rayons:

1. Improving Water Supply and Sanitation in communities from Cahul, Riscani and Leova rayons.
2. Improvement of Solid Waste Management Services in Soldanesti, Rezina and Floresti rayons.
3. Improvement of Energy Efficiency in street lighting and public buildings in Soroca, Orhei and Nisporeni rayons.

During the process of achieving the milestones, the MLPS project takes the opportunity to share the experience gained and lessons learned. The activities planned and conducted, as well as the set milestones were designed in a gender-responsive manner, and the prepared documents are gender mainstreamed.

The results oriented model of reporting offers a way to focus activities and milestones along the following pattern:

- Local public authorities effectively cooperate and manage the improvements of local public services;
- Men and women in the MLPS pilot project areas use new or improved services;
- Local public authorities and service providers in MLPS pilot project areas effectively deliver services to their inhabitants;
- Implemented investment measures have reduced environmental pollution in MLPS pilot project areas;
- Best practices and lessons learned for scaling up have been

- disseminated internally and externally;
- Access of men and women to quality and affordable public services in MLPS pilot project areas has improved;
 - Local public authorities are managing public assets in a sustainable manner.

All pilot projects benefit from a five-dimensional support structure where each dimension connects to specific results, leading to the effective and efficient provision of local public services. (Figure 1)

Figure 1. Efficient local public services model based on 5 pillars



Overview of progress achieved in IA1 during the period 1 april - 30 june 2015

Field of activity		LPP	IMC	INVM	CD	CM	Estimated progress
WSS Cahul	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	1	1	2	2	1	1
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	85%	42%	52%	50%	75%	61%
WSS Rîșcani	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	4	2	2	2	3	3
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	83%	27%	53%	42%	60%	53%
WS Leova	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	4	N/A	4	3	1	3
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2014-2015)	70%	N/A	10%	7%	0%	N/A
SWM Șoldănești și Rezina	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	4	2	2	3	3	3
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	90%	82%	77%	68%	75%	78%
SWM Florești	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	2	4	1	2	3	2
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	55%	98%	45%	60%	45%	61%
EE Tătărauca Veche	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
EE Orhei	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	2	N/A	2	3	1	2
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	59%	N/A	56%	91%	25%	58%
EE Nisporeni	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	2	N/A	1	3	1	2
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2014-2015)	21%	N/A	25%	50%	10%	27%
TOTAL	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june 2015	3	2	2	3	2	2
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	70%	70%	52%	59%	56%	62%

Note:

LPP - Local Planning and Programming













IMC - Inter Municipal Cooperation

INVM - Investment Measures

CD - Capacity Development

CM - Community Mobilization

Results and milestones achieved during the period 1 april - 30 june 2015

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming		Inter-comunitary cooperation		Investment measures – technical and financial assistance		Capacity development for service providers and LPAs		Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services		Average rating	
WSS CAHUL												
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 June	1 Off track		1 Off track		2 Significant deviation		2 Significant deviation		1 Off track		1 Off track	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The brochure on the documented experience related to strategic planning and programming in Cahul WSS sector is developed and published. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decisions on cooperation between Cahul Rayon LPAs related to joint organisation of WSS service involving 4 LPAs, lev. I (Rosu, Crihana Veche, Manta, Cahul town) are approved. Cooperation agreement on establishment of regional operator is approved and signed. The assembly to establish the intermunicipal WSS operator is organised and carried out. The draft of the WSS service delegation contract is developed and consulted with 4 LPAs. The best practices and lessons learned in the field of IMC and WSS in Cahul are analysed and compiled. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organisation of Public Procurement – procurement of construction works for sewage system are completed. The contract for the construction works for the sewage system in Rosu village is signed with the selected contractor. GIZ expert for the supervision of the construction works for the sewage system in Rosu village is contracted. Construction works for the sewage system in Rosu village are initiated. Organisation of Public Procurement - procurement of construction works through public procurement for WTP Cahul is organised. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 modules from the Action Plan on capacity building of WSS service operators from South region are developed. The business plan of the WSS regional operator is under development. The operational manual of the WSS regional operator is under development. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 meeting of the local citizen committee from Rosu is organised. 1 meeting of the local steering committee (LSC) of the pilot project WSS Cahul is organised. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The development and publishing process of the brochure on the documented experience related to the implementation of MLPS project in Cahul WSS sector is initiated. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The institutionalisation of the WSS service continued with the modification of the expert group and updating of ToR. Presentation of the cooperation agreement model in line with the action plan is scheduled for July 2015. The output 2.5 best practices and lessons learned in the field of IMC and WSS in Cahul are analysed and compiled will be transferred to the annual MLPS plan point 1.4 Extension / scaling up of activities in Water Supply and Sanitation sector on regional/national level. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The tender book for technical documentation for design of connections was developed. LPA Rosu has to identify financial sources for design services. The cost estimate of the project technical documentation for Rosu and Cahul was updated. The tenders are to be organised during July 2015. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With MLPS support, 2 employees (men) of ME Apa Canal Cahul took part in the trainings organised by LGSP project for car fleet managers. The mixed expert teams for elaboration of trainin modules were contracted. Presentation of training modules is scheduled for August 2015. Organisation of trainings is scheduled for September 2015. ME Apa Canal Cahul director participated in the study visit in Romania on 14-19 June and attended the internatioal exhibition Expo Apa 2015, as well as visited the premises of Apa Nova București and RAJA Constanta operators. The person proposed for the position of project manager of the WSS Cahul MLPS project took part in a two-days training organised by GIZ and MDRC. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Q2 meetings of the local citizen committee from Rosu and of the LSC of the WSS Cahul MLPS project were postponed for Q3 due to the local elections in June 2015. a comitetului local de cetățeni de la Rosu cit si comitetul director a proiectului MSPL AAC Cahul au fost amânate pentru TR III datorita scrutinului electoral din luna iunie 2015. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)		85%		42%		52%		50%		75%		61%
Challenges/risks			<p>Local elections from June 2015 led to the delay in the implementation of activity. The local working group will change its composition. The new composition of local councils raises risk for approval of decisions taken by LPA1 on the cooperation of LPAs, which fact can lead to impeding the institutionalisation of IMC and puts at risk the further implementaion of tplanned activities. If the institutionalisation of IMC fails during project implementation, the impossibility to implement the allocated resources for capacity development of public service providers will appear.</p>		<p>The procedure to select the economic operator exceeds the planned term. The signing of the works contract will possible after the final decision of the Public Procurement Agency.</p>		<p>The remuneration procedure of the local project manager is not established yet by LPA.</p>					

Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September 2015

Activity Area/A1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance	Capacity development for service providers and LPAs	Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services
WSS Cahul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information on Cahul WSS sector is collected and submitted to the expert responsible for the compilation of the brochure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 decisions on the cooperation between LPAs from Cahul Rayon regarding the joint organisation of WSS service involving 4 LPAs, lev. I (Rosu, Crihana Veche, Manta, Cahul town) and 1 LPA lev. II are taken. The cooperation agreement on the establishment of regional operator is approved and signed by 5 LPAs. The assembly to establish the intermunicipal WSS operator is under preparation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public procurement for construction works for sewage system are completed. The contract for the construction works for the sewage system in Rosu village is signed with the selected contractor. GIZ expert for the supervision of the construction works for the sewage system in Rosu village is contracted. Construction works for the sewage system in Rosu village are initiated. Organisation of Public Procurement - procurement of construction works through public procurement for WTP Cahul is organised. Rehabilitation works for WTP Cahul are initiated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 training based on a training module on WSS service delivery capacity development with participation of Cahul operator is organised. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 meeting of the local citizen committee from Rosu is organised. 1 meeting of the local steering committee (LSC) of the pilot project WSS Cahul is organised.

Pilot project WSS CAHUL Progress Evolution obtained during the time 2010-2015

Intervention Area 1	LPP	IMC	INV	CD	CM	Estimated progress
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2014	85%	42%	52%	50%	75%	61%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	85%	42%	52%	50%	75%	61%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	85%	40%	50%	45%	65%	57%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q3, 2014	85%	25%	40%	45%	60%	51%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2, 2014	85%	25%	20%	15%	60%	41%










Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming		Inter-comunitary cooperation		Investment measures – technical and financial assistance		Capacity development for service providers and LPAs		Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services		Average rating	
WSS RIȘCANI												
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 June	4 On track		2 Significant deviation		2 Significant deviation		2 Significant deviation		3 Minor deviation		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local plans for water and sanitation sector of 4 LPAs lev. I from Riscani (Prut cluster) are approved by local councils. Process to develop and publish a brochure presenting lessons learned on development of FS for WSS is initiated. Materials on relevant experience within the project aiming at improving the WSS services in Riscani Rayon are collected and systematised. Process to develop and publish a brochure on documented experience of strategic planning and programming in WSS sector in Riscani is initiated. Relevant materials are collected and systematised. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cooperation agreement between at least 5 LPAs from Riscani Rayon (Prut cluster) on establishment of cooperation in WSS sector is approved and signed by parties. Process to analyse and compile the best practices and lessons learned in IMC field is initiated. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public procurement – procurement of construction works for the sewage networks in Duruitoarea Veche v. is done (repeatedly). The contract for provision of services is signed. Works contract for construction of sewage networks in Costesti town is signed. Construction works for sewage networks in Costesti town are initiated. Public procurement – procurement of construction works for waste water treatment plant in Costesti town is done (repeatedly), contract for provision of services is signed. Construction works for the waste water treatment plant in Costesti town are initiated. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of the training programme on WSS service delivery capacity development for operators and LPAs is finalised. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness raising campaign on the importance of drinking water service delivery use and waste water treatment need (with the focus on gender) is implemented according to the action plan. 1 meeting of the Local Steering Committee is organised. 1 meeting of Local Citizen Committee is organised. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 local plans for WSS sector are approved by the LPA lev. I local councils from Riscani Rayon (Prut cluster), (Horodiste, Pociumbauti, Pociumbeni, Zaicani). In total, all 15 local plans on WSS sector development are updated according to PIP. Materials on relevant experience of planning and developing of FS within the project aiming at improving the WSS services in Riscani Rayon are collected, systematised and stored in a file to be submitted to the experts for compilation. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 decisions of local councils lev. I (6 LPAs) and II (1 LPA) on approval of the partnership agreement for the development of a sustainable water supply and sanitation service and system in Riscani Rayona are taken (Alexandresti, Braniste, Costesti, Horodiste, Petruseni, Pirjota, RC Riscani). Stage II of institutionalising the regional WSS operator is initiated. ToR are updated, team of experts to provide assistance to LPAs in establishing the RO is contracted. Best practices and lessons learned in the field of IMC within the WSS project in Riscani are compiled in the Intermunicipal Cooperation Guide, developed within the joint Programme of integrated local development, implemented by the Government of RM with support from UNDP, UN Women and GIZ (case study Riscani, annex 17). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 13 May 2015 the tender for the procurement of construction works for the sewage networks in Duruitoarea Veche v. was launched for the third time. 3 of 4 submitted bids were admitted to the 2nd stage - technical evaluation. The technical evaluation report, developed by GIZ experts was submitted on 7 April 2015 with the recommendation to relaunch the tender because of some inconsistencies in the Specification and Cost Estimate proposed exceeding the verified sum with 15%. On 5 June 2015 the working group decided to cancel the tender, rectify and supplement the Specification and relaunch the tender. The tender book was updated on 16 June 2015 and forwarded to MRDC and GIZ for approval. Contract for provision of services is not signed. Public procurement – procurement of construction works for the sewage networks in Costesti town is completed. 3 of 4 bids submitted for the 2nd stage of the tender (organised on 25 February 2015) underwent technical evaluation by GIZ experts. The report was submitted on 7 April 2015. On 30 April 2015 the works contract for execution by SRL 'Uralis' was registered with the Agency for Public Procurement. On 3 June 2015 the contract on provision of Copyright Supervision services was signed. The tender for the selection of the technical supervisor was launched repeatedly on 15 May 2015 and 05 June 2015. On 9 June 2015 the contract on provision of technical supervision services was signed. Terms of reference for technical supervision (on behalf of GIZ) of the construction works at all 3 investment measures in Costesti commune were developed and approved. 2 experts, one international and one national were contracted (by GOPA) as technical supervisors. The building permit was issued on 10 June 2015. The construction works began on 22 June 2015. Public procurement – procurement of construction works for the waste water treatment plant in Costesti town: 3 of 6 bids, submitted within the tender (3rd one) held on 30 March 2015 and qualified for 2nd stage, were evaluated by GIZ experts. The report was submitted to RDA North on 5 June 2015 with recommendation to cancel the tender based on the fact that the Specification proposed does not contain the mandatory requirements for a waste water treatment plant in terms of quality indicators of waste waters at the inlet and outlet, which did not allow to do a complete evaluation of the equipment proposed from the effectiveness point of view. On 10 June 2015 the working group on public procurement evaluated the bids and report decidin to award the construction contract to SRL 'Uralis'. The minutes was sent to GIZ for approval (11 June 2015). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 modules of the training programme on WSS service delivery capacity development for operators and LPAs are under development. 6 international and 6 national experts are selected and contracted to develop the training modules and teaching materials. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness raising campaign on the importance of drinking water service delivery use and waste water treatment need (with focus on gender) is implemented according to the project implementation plan. On 18 May 2015 the first progress report was submitted. During the campaign conducted by NGO 'AFASR' from Riscani in partnership with Riscani Rayon Council, Public Health Centre Riscani and General Education, Youth, Sport Directorate 4000 promotional materials were developed and executed (posters, brochures, banners, accessories). In 18 Rayon educational institutions the 'Water and sanitation week' was organised. The direct beneficiaries of the campaign until now are 2934 persons, including 1492 females and 1408 males (pupils and teachers from schools, parents). The media coverage of the campaign was done through the account created on Facebook bearing the motto 'Centralised services - quality water'. On 3 June 2015 a coverage for the newspaper SP (Balti) within the media project 'MOLDOVA+' on the success experience from Costesti commune related to the solving of the issues from WSS sector was done. The LSC meeting was not organised due to the local elections period. 1 meeting of the Local Citizen Committee was organised on 3 June 2015 with the participation of 7 members, 6 women and 1 man. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)		85%		27%		53%		42%		60%		53%
Challenges/risks			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a result of local elections on 14 and 28 June 2015, 8 out of 15 mayors of beneficiary communities (Prut cluster) were changed. There is the risk some of decisions to participate in the partnership agreement regarding the establishment of cooperation in the WSS sector to be withdrawn. There are risks the policies to be changed on Rayon level due to the changes in the composition of Rayon Council. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Because of delay in the public procurement and selection of economic agent procedures, the risk persists in failing to comply with time limits in terms of planned investment activities for the improvement of the infrastructure until the end of 2015. 							

Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September 2015

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance	Capacity development for service providers and LPAs	Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services
WSS Rîșcani	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information on Riscani WSS sector is collected and submitted to the expert selected to compile the brochure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnership agreement between at least 5 LPAs from Riscani Rayon (Prut cluster) on establishment of cooperation in WSS sector is signed. The Intermunicipal WSS service provider is founded. The registration procedure of the regional economic operator is initiated. The model of the WSS service delegation contract is developed and consulted with LPAs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public procurement (tender relaunched the 4th time) – procurement of construction works for the sewage networks in Duruitoarea Veche v. is done. Contract for provision of services is signed. Construction works for the sewage networks in Costesti town are ongoing according to the agreed schedule. Public procurement – procurement of construction works for the waste water treatment plant in Costesti town is completed. Works contract for the construction of waste water treatment plant in Costesti is signed. Construction works for the waste water treatment plant in Costesti town are initiated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 training based on the training module on WSS service delivery capacity development with the participation of operator from Riscani is organised. Trainings for WSS service providers from North Development Region are organised. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness raising campaign on the importance of water supply and sanitation services use and waste water treatment need (with focus on gender) is implemented according to the project implementation plan. 1 meeting of Local Steering Committee is organised. 1 meeting of Local Citizen Committee is organised.

Pilot project WSS Rîșcani Progress Evolution obtained during the time 2010-2015

Intervention Area 1	LPP	IMC	INV	CD	CM	Estimated progress
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2014	83%	27%	53%	42%	60%	53%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	78%	20%	53%	40%	45%	47%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	75%	20%	53%	40%	45%	47%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q3, 2014	60%	10%	53%	35%	45%	41%

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming		Inter-comunitary cooperation		Investment measures – technical and financial assistance		Capacity development for service providers and LPAs		Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services		Average rating	
WS Leova												
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 June	4 On track		N/A	N/A	4 On track		3 Minor deviation		1 Off track		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with annexes (logical framework, project implementation plan and risk log) is approved and signed by all the partners responsible for the implementation of the project. 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The tender book for the construction works according to the updated and verified documentation is developed. The translation into English of the technical documentation and tender book for the construction works of Leova-largara main pipeline is completed. The updated technical documentation and tender book are submitted to the Construction Department in Germany for verification and approval. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ToR for the elaboration of the diagnostic analysis of SA 'Apa-Canal Leova' operator are conceptualised and developed. The diagnostic analysis of SA 'Apa-Canal Leova' operator at the initial stage of the project is carried out. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Local Steering Committee is established. 1 meeting of the Local Steering Committee of the pilot project is organised. ToR on the conducting of the level of satisfaction of population survey from the selected localities related to the quality of existing water supply service delivery are conceptualised and developed. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 8 May 2015 the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with annexes (logical framework, project implementation plan and risk log) was signed by the project partners. 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The tender book for the construction works according to the updated and verified documentation was developed. The translation into English of the technical documentation and tender book for the construction works of Leova-largara main pipeline was done in those parts where the experts requested it. The updated technical documentation and tender book were submitted to the Construction Department in Germany for verification and approval. During 29 June - 05 July an expert from the Construction Department in Germany was on a visit to verify the technical documentation and the provisions of the Feasibility Study developed in 2014 in relation to the real situation in the territory. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ToR for the elaboration of the diagnostic analysis of SA 'Apa-Canal Leova' operator were conceptualised and developed. The diagnostic analysis was planned for Q II-III. In Q II the diagnostic analysis was not initiated due to local elections in June 2015. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to local elections in June 2015, based on the proposal on behalf of the Beneficiary (RC Leova), the procedure to establish the LSC was postponed until August 2015. The meeting of Local Steering Committee of the pilot project was not organised (the LSC is not established) due to local elections. Conceptualization and development of ToR on the conducting of the level of satisfaction of population survey from the selected localities related to the quality of existing water supply service delivery was postponed due to local elections. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	70%		N/A	N/A	10%		7%		0%		N/A	N/A
Challenges/risks	Until there is no clarity as to the financing of the investment into the main pipeline, the updating of the local plans on water supply and sanitation of Leova, largara, Sarata Noua, Filipeni, Romanovca and Cupcui LPAs at the initial stage of the project will be postponed.				A high degree risk persists as to the implementation of the planned investments because of many discrepancies between the FS and the developed technical documentation.		Until there is no clarity as to the financing of the investment into the main pipeline, the diagnostic analysis of SA 'Apa-Canal Leova' operator at the initial stage of the project will be postponed.		For the solving of the issue arising, the establishment of the LSC, as well as, the clarification of all investment activities carrying out aspects is crucial.			

Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September 2015

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance	Capacity development for service providers and LPAs	Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services
WSS Leova		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The preliminary intermunicipal cooperation agreements on WSS service delivery in Leova, Iargara, Sarata Noua, Filipeni, Romanovca si Cupcui are signed. Decision on the extension of the WSS service from Leova town is signed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The technical documentation and tender book updated by the Construction department in Germany are verified and approved. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 training based on the training module on WSS service delivery capacity development with the participation of operator from Leova is organised. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Local Steering Committee is organised. 1 meeting of the Local Steering Committee of the pilot project is organised.

Pilot project WS Rîșcani Progress Evolution obtained during the time 2014-2015

Intervention Area 1	LPP	IMC	INV	CD	CM	Estimated progress
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2014	70%	N/A	10%	7%	0%	N/A
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	70%	N/A	5%	5%	N/A	N/A
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	30%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q3, 2014	20%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A













Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming		Inter-comunitary cooperation		Investment measures – technical and financial assistance		Capacity development for service providers and LPAs		Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services		Average rating	
SWM ȘOLDĂNEȘTI, REZINA												
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	4 On track		2 Significant deviation		2 Significant deviation		3 Minor deviation		3 Minor deviation		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information from all the localities of Soldanesti Rayon necessary for the updating of the SWM chapter from local plans are collected by the experts. The SWM Chapter updated in 23 LPAs lev. I as part of the local development plan is consulted with the public. The SWM Chapter as part of the local development plan is presented for approval to 23 Local Councils lev. from Soldanesti Rayon. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JSC 'Salubritate Șoldănești' shares are registered with the National Commission of Financial Market. Best practices and lessons learned on intermunicipal cooperation in SWM public services in Floresti, Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons are collected. Delegation contracts are signed with 23 LPAs. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental impact assessment (EIA) of ISWMC from Parcani is approved. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshops (on-job trainings) for the staff of the newly established SWM service operator in different fields of management and administration are organised. The operational manual and business plan of the SWM service operator are approved by JSC 'Salubritate Soldanesti' Management Board. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The action plan of the local grant for the removal of unauthorised dumpsites and storage of waste on the platform built in Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons is fully implemented. The results of the final report on the carrying out of the information and awareness raising campaign in the Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons localities are submitted. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information from all the localities of Soldanesti Rayon necessary for the updating of the SWM chapter from local plans was collected by the experts. The SWM Chapter was consulted with the public and updated in 23 LPAs as part of the local development plan. The SWM Chapter as part of the local development plan is developed for 23 LPAs and approved in 10 LPAs (Rogojeni, Sipca, Soldanesti, Climautii de Jos, Parcani, Glinjeni, Poiana, Salcia, Sestaci, Vadul Rascov). The other local plans are to be submitted for approval to 13 Local Councils Locale (Cobilea, Oliscani, Fuzauca, Dobrusa, Samascani, Alcedar, Cusmirca, Mihuleni, Chipesca, Cotiujenii Mari, Gauzeni, Pohoarna, Raspopeni) lev. I from Soldanesti Rayon after the validation of the mayor mandates. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 of 23 founders of JSC 'Salubritate Soldanesti' transferred into the social capital of the JSC their share part. Best practices and lessons learned on the intermunicipal cooperation in SWM public services in Floresti, Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons are collected. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 1 June 2015 Ministry of Environment issued a positive note on the coordination of ISWMC project in Parcania and recommended to submit the documents for the approval of the Environmental impact assessment. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshops (on-job trainings) for the staff (3 persons - 1 man and 2 women) of the newly established SWM service operator in different fields of management and administration (Setting of strategic goals; Development of operational business plan for 3 years; Development of Investment Plan; Internal procedures and Regulations; Methodology of calculation, approval and adjustment of tariff fro SWM services; staff job descriptions; Organsation chart) are organised according to approved ToR; The operational manual and business plan of the SWM service operator is being updated; 2 employess (2 men) of JSC 'Salubritate Soldanesti' took part in 2 training modules (3 days each) in the field of SWM (Fleet Management and Solid Waste Integrated Management) organised by USAID in cooperation with GIZ; 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The action plan of the local grant for the removal of unauthorised dumpsites and storage of waste on the platform built in Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons is 50% implemented. Deadlinefor the implementation of action plan was extended until 31 August 2015. The results of the final report on the carrying out of the information and awareness raising campaign in the Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons localities were presented within the LSC meeting on 02 April 2015. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	90%		82%		77%		68%		75%		78%	
Challenges/risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The non-approval of SWM chapter updated in local development plans by some of the LPAs lev. I could delay the process of SWM service improvement in these localities. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The late transfer on behalf of founders of financial contribution to the social capital of JSC could delay the registration of JSC' shares. 2 JSC founders did not transfer the contribution to the JSC social capital because of insufficient available balance. The delegation not being signed delays the sanitation service delivery of JSC founders. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The late approval of Environmental impact assessment (EIA) of ISWMC from Parcani could jeopardise the financing of ISWMC construction works. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-approval by the JSC Board of JSC's business plan and operational manual could generate unforeseen expenditures and lead to the bankruptcy of SWM service provider. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The citizens' passive involvement in the sanitation activities in the localities according to the local grant could lead to the delay in the implementation of the local grant and budget provided. 			

Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 september 2015

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance	Capacity development for service providers and LPAs	Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services
SWM Șoldănești și Rezina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SWM Chapter as part of local development plan is submitted for approval to 13 LPAs lev. I from Soldanesti Rayon. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JSC 'Salubritate Soldanesti' are registered with the National Commission of Financial Market. • Delegation contracts are signed with at least 15 LPAs. • Best practices and lessons learned on the intermunicipal cooperation in SWM public services in Floresti, Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons are collected and submitted to the expert responsible for the compilation of the brochure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental impact assessment (EIA) of ISWMC from Parcani is approved. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshops (on-job trainings) for the staff of the newly established SWM service operator in different fields of management and administration are organised. • The operational manual and business plan of the SWM service operator are approved by JSC 'Salubritate Soldanesti' Management Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The action plan of the local grant for the removal of unauthorised dumpsites and storage of waste on the platform built in Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons is implemented. • 1 meeting of the pilot project local steering committee (LSC) is organised.

Pilot project SWM Șoldănești and Rezina Progress Evolution obtained during the time 2010-2015

Intervention Area 1	LPP	IMC	INV	CD	CM	Estimated progress
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2014	90%	82%	77%	68%	75%	78%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	90%	80%	75%	65%	65%	75%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	85%	80%	75%	60%	40%	68%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q3, 2014	80%	80%	75%	60%	35%	66%

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming		Inter-comunitary cooperation		Investment measures – technical and financial assistance		Capacity development for service providers and LPAs		Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services		Average rating	
SWM FLOREȘTI												
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 June	2 Significant deviation 		4 On track 		1 Off track 		2 Significant deviation 		3 Minor deviation 		2 Significant deviation 	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The draft of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Floresti Rayon is developed. The draft of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Floresti Rayon is submitted for proposals/suggestions to the Rayon working group. The final draft of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Floresti Rayon is developed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Best practices and lessons learned on intermunicipal cooperation in SWM public services in Floresti are collected. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The financial means for the procurement of construction works, technological process related equipment and machinery for the sorting station from Floresti town are identified and allocated. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SWM service providers' capacity development plan is launched. ToR regarding the business plan of the regional SWM service operator is developed, experts are contracted, the process of developing the business plan is launched. The draft of the methodology on the elaboration, application and adjustment of SWM service tariff for LPAs and service provider is developed and approved. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrying out of 2 public meetings in 2 LPAs (Rosietici commune, Floresti town). Carrying out of 2 workshops on 'Composting organic waste' (Rosietici commune, Floresti town). Carrying out the seminar on the evaluation of results of the information and awareness raising campaign held in Floresti Rayon localities. Official hiring of the local project manager by the Floresti LPA. Organising 1 LSC meeting. 11 meetings of LCC on the role and activity of Local Citizen Committee (LCC) are carried out. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first draft of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Floresti Rayon in English is compiled and developed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Best practices and lessons learned on intermunicipal cooperation in SWM public services in Floresti, Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons are collected. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The delay in approving the financial sources for the procurement of construction works, technological process related equipment and machinery for the sorting station from Floresti town will lead to the extension of the implementation period of the construction works of the sorting station. The risk for the construction works to enter the autumn-winter period persists. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 workshops (on-job trainings) in the field of management and administration for the newly established SWM service operator staff were organised. The business plan for the JSC 'Servicii Salubritate Floresti' is developed in the amount of 40%. During 9-11 June 2015, the JSC 'Servicii Salubritate Floresti' administrator took part in the trainings organised by USAID as part of the LGSP project in Moldova 'Municipal solid waste integrated management' 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrying out of 2 public meetings in 2 LPAs (Rosietici commune, Floresti town), Rosietici commune -13 participants men - 4, women - 9), Floresti town -11 participants men - 2, women - 9). Carrying out of 2 workshops on 'Composting organic waste' (Rosietici commune, Floresti town), Rosietici commune -13 participants men - 4, women - 9), Floresti town -11 participants men - 2, women - 9). The local project manager is officially hired from among the specialists of JSC 'Servicii Salubritate Floresti'. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	55% 		98% 		45% 		60% 		45% 		61% 	
Challenges/risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is the risk for the presentation process of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Floresti Rayon to be extended in time, as after the local elections some of the members of the working group (local officials) who took part in this process were replaced. This could delay the public hearing and approval process. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A wider dissemination of the best practices and lessons learned acquired during the implementation of SWM projects in Soldanesti, Floresti and Rezina Rayons will exclude in the future the recurrence/avoidance of the mistakes made during different implementation stages. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The SWM pilot project in Floresti is included into the Government Decision no. 933 from Decembrie 2012 regarding the approval of a Single Programme Document for 2013 – 2015. It is known that NFRD makes up 1% from State Budget revenues. Distribution of NFRD sources is made based on the NCCRD decision. The meeting of the National Coordination Council of Regional Development (NCCRD) took place on 29 April 2015. According to the NCCRD decision no. 2/15 from 29 April 2015 'on the distribution of financial means of the National Fund for Regional development for 2015', the SWM project from Floresti Rayon is not reflected there. The Fund is managed by MRDC. There is the risk for the sorting station project in Floresti not to be implemented. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The delay in the implementation of the training modules according to the action plan on the SWM service operators' and LPAs' capacity development could lead to the appearance of risks which could affect the financial situation and the quality of the SWM service provided by the JSC. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The regular meetings of LCC and their involvement in the implementation of project activities will increase the awareness degree of the citizens towards the SWM service in their locality. 			

Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September 2015

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance	Capacity development for service providers and LPAs	Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services
SWM Florești	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The draft of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Florești Rayon is translated into Romanian. The draft of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Florești Rayon is submitted for proposals/suggestions to the Rayon working group. The final draft of the SWM chapter of SEDS of Florești Rayon is developed and submitted to Florești RC. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Best practices and lessons learned on the intermunicipal cooperation in SWM public services in Florești, Soldanesti and Rezina Rayons are collected and submitted to the expert responsible for the compilation of the brochure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The financial means for the procurement of construction works, technological process related equipment and machinery for the sorting station from Florești town are identified and allocated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The draft of the JSC 'Servicii Salubritate Florești' business plan is developed, consulted and approved. The draft of the methodology on the elaboration, application and adjustment of SWM service tariff for LPAs and service provider is developed and approved. 4 workshops (on-job trainings) in different fields of management and administration for the newly established SWM service operator staff are organised. The updated operational manual of the SWM service operator JSC 'Servicii Salubritate Florești' is approved by the JSC Management Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 meeting of the pilot project local steering committee (LSC) is organised. The results of the final report on information and awareness raising campaign held in Florești Rayon localities are presented at the LSC meeting. 11 meetings of LCC on the role and activity of Local Citizen Committee (LCC) are carried out.

Pilot project SWM Florești Progress Evolution obtained during the time 2010-2015

Intervention Area 1	LPP	IMC	INV	CD	CM	Estimated progress
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2014	55%	98%	45%	60%	45%	61%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	50%	98%	45%	50%	45%	58%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	10%	90%	45%	40%	40%	45%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q3, 2014	5%	80%	45%	35%	40%	41%

Activity Area/A1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming		Inter-comunitary cooperation		Investment measures – technical and financial assistance		Capacity development for service providers and LPAs		Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services		Average rating	
EE ORHEI												
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	2 Significant deviation		N/A	2 Significant deviation		3 Minor deviation		1 Off track		2 Significant deviation		
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Rayon Socio-economic strategy is under development. The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Orhei Rayon Energy Efficiency Programme (for a period of 3 years) is under development. The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Orhei Rayon Energy Efficiency Action Plan (for a period of 1 year) is under development. In detail: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identification of EE measures, development of EEP and AP drafts. - Workshop on prioritisation of identified EE measures. SEDS Action Plan. - Support to LPA in completing the EEP and AP. SEDS Action Plan. - Public consultation of SEDS and EEP. - Finalisation of Programme AP in EE. - Adoption of AP by the RC. - Working meeting on the identification of the needs and promotional potential of the Programme and AP, as well as of their results. 		N/A		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public procurement for the reconstruction of the exterior thermal networks and installation of individual heating substations is completed. The bids are evaluated. The winner (contractor) is nominated. The procurement is approved by the head office in Eschborn. The contract with the contractor is signed. Public procurement for the thermal insulation of the technical floor and the basement of the perinatal Centre is completed. The bids are evaluated. The winner (contractor) is nominated. The transfer of goods to RC Orhei at the completion of the civil purchases contract (electric meters and auxiliaries) from the savings formed (49,000 lei) is done. The public procurement for supplementing with solar collectors the existing conventional hot water systems is completed. The bids are evaluated. The winner (contractor) is nominated. The contract with the contractor is signed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The guide on optimisation of thermal protection level for public buildings is under development. The content is agreed with MRDC and EEA. The guide 'Heating, ventilation and airconditioning in buildings' is under development. The content is agreed with MRDC and EEA. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opinion survey on the satisfaction level of the hospital employees and patients in terms of thermal comfort in the buildings/premises is launched. The information and awareness raising campaign related to EE (with focus on gender) began. 1 pilot project LSC meeting is organised. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Rayon Socio-economic strategy and the action plan were developed. The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Orhei Rayon Energy Efficiency Programme (for a period of 3 years) and the chapter on EE in public buildings of the Orhei Rayon Energy Efficiency Action Plan (for a period of 1 year) is under development, the gender aspect integration been insured: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EE data sheets for Rayon public buildings are filled in - 149 of 198 (11% out of a total of 15%). - Identification of EE measures, development of EEP and AP drafts (11% out of 30% completed). - Workshop on prioritisation of EE measure identification. SEDS Action Plan developed. The rest of the activities were not carried out due to the following: a) non-involvement of rayon decision makers, because of local elections, b) overlapped activities (participation of the rayon energy manager in the EUREM courses), c) a big workload for the energy manager, d) lack of support or insignificant support on behalf of rayon management in fulfilling the tasks related to the development of these documents by the energy manager. 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public procurement for the reconstruction of the exterior thermal networks and installation of individual heating substations was cancelled because the minimum of 3 qualified bids was not met. The procurement will be repeated in July 2015; Public procurement for the thermal insulation of the technical floor and the basement of the Perinatal Centre is completed. The bids are evaluated. The winner (contractor) is nominated. The contract with the contractor is signed. The transfer of goods to RC Orhei at the completion of the civil purchases contract (electric meters and auxiliaries) from the savings formed (49,000 lei) is done. The public procurement for supplementing with solar collectors the existing conventional hot water systems has been completed. The bids were evaluated. The winner (contractor) was nominated. The contract with the contractor was signed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The guide on optimisation of thermal protection level for public buildings. The experts are being contracted. Terms of reference are in the course of negotiation (modifications were received on behalf of experts to be hired). The guide 'Heating, ventilation and airconditioning in buildings' is under development - 40% of the job done. On 17 July the first draft of the Guide will be presented and on 23-24 July it is planned to present the guide to the interested parties (EEA, MRDC, etc.); 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opinion survey on the satisfaction level of the hospital employees and patients in terms of thermal comfort in the buildings/premises was suspended. The information and awareness raising campaign related to EE (with focus on gender) was suspended. The pilot project steering committee meeting was not held because no contract was signed and the local authorities were involved in elections (local elections 2015). 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	59%		N/A	56%		91%		25%		58%		

Challenges/risks	Those listed in the last quarter as well as other activities remain, namely: 1) Filling in of the EE data sheets for rayon public buildings, as well as identification and quantification of EE measures is a hard work, there is the risk to miss the deadline. The rayon energy manager needs support in the realisation of this output (ME raional are nevoie de suport în realizarea acestui produs (EE data sheet of the building). Requirements:1) ability to operate computer programs (MS Word, Excel). 2) a more intense involvement and monitoring on behalf of rayon management with GIZ expert support.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The starting up of the contract for the reconstruction of the exterior thermal networks and installation of individual heating substations can be delayed due to the following reasons: 1) repetition of procurement procedure because of 3 qualified bids lacking, 2) approval of the contract by GIZ head office in Eschborn. The public procurement for supplementing the existing conventional hot water systems with solar collectors and for the thermal insulation of the technical floor and the basement of the Perinatal Centre could be repeated because the contracts were not registered with APP (for the procurement of solar collectors APP received an appeal from one of the bidders). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The guide on optimisation of thermal protection level for public buildings. The development of the guide could possibly be delayed because of the identified experts not being available. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opinion survey on the satisfaction level of the hospital employees and patients in terms of thermal comfort in the buildings/premises is stopped. It is proposed to exclude it from the PIP for 2015. The information and awareness raising campaign related to EE (with the focus on gender) is stopped. It is proposed to exclude it from the PIP for 2015. The pilot project steering committee meeting could be postponed because of the necessity to update the LSC regulation (appointment of the new president, vice president and secretary of LSC). 	
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Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 september 2015

Activity Area/A1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance	Capacity development for service providers and LPAs	Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services
EE Orhei	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Rayon Socio-economic strategy and the action plan finalised. The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Orhei Rayon Energy Efficiency Programme (for a period of 3 years) and the chapter on EE in public buildings of the Orhei Rayon Energy Efficiency Action Plan (for a period of 1 year) are finalised: EE data sheets for Rayon public buildings are filled in. EE measures identified, EEP and AP drafts developed. SEDS și PEE consultate cu publicul. Capitolul EE in clădirile publice a SEDS, Programului și PA in EE finalizat. SEDS, EE Program and AP are approved by Orhei RC. Working meeting on the identification of the needs and promotional potential of the Programme and AP, as well as of their results organised. 	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public procurement for the reconstruction of the exterior thermal networks and installation of individual heating substations is completed. The contract with the contractor is signed. The works for the thermal insulation of the technical floor and the basement of the Perinatal Centre are commenced. The works for supplementing the existing conventional hot water systems with solar collectors are commenced. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The guide 'Heating, ventilation and airconditioning in buildings' is completed. The guide on optimisation of thermal protection level for public buildings is under development: 1) experts are hired; 2) the content is agreed with MRDC and EEA. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 meeting of the pilot project steering committee is organised.

Pilot project EE Orhei Progress Evolution obtained during the time 2010-2015

Intervention Area 1	LPP	IMC	INV	CD	CM	Estimated progress
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2014	59%	N/A	56%	91%	25%	58%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	37%	N/A	56%	80%	25%	50%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	25%	N/A	55%	80%	25%	46%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q3, 2014	10%	N/A	45%	75%	25%	39%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015) Q1&Q2, 2014	15%	N/A	40%	60%	35%	38%

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming		Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance		Capacity development for service providers and LPAs		Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services		Average rating	
EE Nisporeni											
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 June	2 Significant deviation			N/A	1 Off track		3 Minor deviation		1 Off track	2 Significant deviation	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Nisporeni Energy Efficiency Programme and Action Plan (for a period of 3 years) is under development: The support to LPAs in collecting and verifying the existing information is provided. The preliminary results of data collection and SWOT are presented. The workshop on the development of chapter on EE in public buildings of the EEP / Action Plan is organised. The support to LPAs in processing of information and development of EE in public buildings related measures to be included in EEP and AP is provided. Identification of EE measures, development of EEA and AP drafts. Workshop on prioritisation of identified EE measures. EEP and AP. Support to LPAs in finalising the EEP and AP. Public consultation of EEP. Finalisation of EE Programme and Action Plan. Approval of EEP and AP by the RC. Working meeting on the identification of the needs and promotional potential of EEP and AP, as well as of their results. 		N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New public procurement for rehabilitation of the hospital building no.1 (the surgery unit) in line with defined quality standards and regulations is completed. Bids are evaluated. The winner (contractor) is nominated. The procurement is approved by the head office in Eschborn and the contract with the contractor is signed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The plan on synchronisation of investments into the hospital is developed. The training materials in EE field for public institutions employees are developed. The rayon energy manager continues training under the EUREM programme carried out by the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of RM (CCI RM). Provision of assistance in implementation of Energy Management System at Nisporeni hospital is initiated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ToR developed and approved; Plan of activities to implement the Energy Management System at hospital level is developed; The energy policy in the Energy Management System at hospital level is developed and approved by the hospital Management Board. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The EE related information and awareness raising campaign (with focus on gender) is planned: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan of campaign: materials, events are prepared. Opinion survey on the satisfaction level of the hospital employees and patients in terms of thermal comfort in the premises is initiated; The carrying out of the survey is ensured. 1 meeting of the Local Steering Committee is organised. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chapter on EE in public buildings of the Nisporeni Energy Efficiency Programme and Action Plan (for a period of 3 years) is under development: The support to LPAs in collecting and verifying the existing information is being delayed because of local elections (approx. 60 questionnaires were submitted from 13 out of 23 LPAs. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new public procurement procedure will be organised only after the approval decision of GIZ Technical Department from Eschborn. The public procurement process for contracting the design company which will execute the technical design 'Reconstruction of ventilation and airconditioning system with heat recovery' at the MSPI RH Nisporeni. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The plan on synchronisation of investments into the hospital is developed, but will be updated after the completion of public procurement procedures related to the designing of the technical design 'Reconstruction of ventilation and airconditioning system with heat recovery' at MSPI RH Nisporeni and rehabilitation of the building no.1 (surgery unit) of the hospital. The training materials in EE field for public institutions employees are under development. Support in training of the rayon energy manager under the EUREM programme carried out by the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of RM (CCI) is provided (rayon energy manager was hired by MSPI RH Nisporeni). ToR are developed and approved; Plan of activities to implement the Energy Management System at hospital level is under development ; The energy policy in the Energy Management System at hospital level is under development. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The EE related information and awareness raising campaign (with focus on gender) was canceled due to lack of funds. Opinion survey on the satisfaction level of the hospital employees and patients in terms of thermal comfort in the premises was canceled due to lack of funds. The meeting of the Steering Committee will be organised after the establishment of Nisporeni Rayon Council. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	21%		N/a	25%		50%		10%		27%	
Challenges/risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The planning of activities was ambitious. The activities were carried out much more slowly than planned. The passive involvement of rayon LPAs in filling in the data. Poor filling of data questionnaires. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poor bids submitted by design companies. Lack of funds for the ventilation system could jeopardise the good implementation of the entire project. 							





Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 july - 30 september 2015

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Local planning and programming	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Investment measures – technical and financial assistance	Capacity development for service providers and LPAs	Community mobilization and citizens' engagement in improving local public services
EE Nisporeni	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updating of the composition of the Planning Group from municipalities/communes representatives. The filling in of data questionnaires by rayon LPA representatives is completed. The data sheet for every building is filled in. 	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The company to execute the technical design 'Reconstruction of ventilation and airconditioning system with heat recovery' at MSPI RH Nisporeni is contracted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The plan on synchronisation of investments into the hospital is updated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 meeting of the pilot project steering committee is organised.

Pilot project EE Nisporeni Progress Evolution obtained during the time 2010-2015

Intervention Area 1	LPP	IMC	INV	CD	CM	Estimated progress
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2014	21%	N/A	25%	50%	10%	27%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	21%	N/A	25%	15%	10%	18%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	0%	N/A	25%	19%	0%	11%
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015), Q3, 2014	0%	N/A	25%	0%	0%	6%

Results and milestones achieved during the period 1 april - 30 june 2015 by the IA1 (interdisciplinary aspects)





Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Gender issues		Inter-comunitary cooperation		Management of public infrastructure		Capacity development - crosscutting issues	
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	4 On track		3 Minor deviation		2 Significant deviation		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The concept of the Guide on gender mainstreaming into the local public services is developed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A report with recommendations for the development of service delivery zones is developed and consulted with MRDC, ME, CALM. A meeting between MRDC, ME, State Chancellery, CALM on the approval of the support for SWM and WSS service delivery zones is organised with GIZ support. A presentation of the initiation and institutionalisation of IMC is developed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Guide on the registration/management of public infrastructure is completed and launched. The training programme for LPA representatives in PPM field is developed and coordinated with partner institutions MRDC and RDA. A workshop (training of trainers) in PPM field (the timeframe has to be additionally coordinated by MRDC) is organised. Regional trainings in PPM field for LPA representatives are planned considering the local elections (timeframe has to be additionally coordinated by MRDC). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support on behalf of CALM in organising 3 workshops for LPAs on the identification of areas and means of support for LPAs is provided. The development of the Guide in the field of avoiding the conflict of interests in public procurement is initiated. Procedura de elaborare a Ghidului în domeniul evitării conflictului de interes în achiziții publice este inițiată. The workshop for local project managers is prepared, the training is carried out. Development of ToR and of documents necessary for contracting of APAA to carry out the second stage of training on the new accounting standards and new approved accounting policies for RDA accountants. 	
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The concept of the Guide on gender mainstreaming into the local public services was developed. The concept and the agenda of training sessions on gender mainstreaming in local public services were developed. Two meetings with USAID, CALM, UNDP, UNWomen, SDC on the consultation of the training sessions on gender mainstreaming in local public services were organised on 10 June 30 June. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A report with recommendations for service delivery zones was developed and sent for information to MRDC, ME, CALM. A meeting between MRDC, ME, State Chancellery was organised at MRDC initiative. A presentation of the initiation and institutionalisation of IMC was developed to be presented within the national conference on IMC planned for Q4. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Guide on the registration/management of public infrastructure is in the process of approval. The training programme for LPA representatives in PPM field was developed and coordinated with partner institutions MRDC and RDA. A workshop (training of trainers) in PPM field was planned for Q3, as a result of MRDC decision (due to the elections period). Regional trainings in PPM field for LPA representatives are planned by MRDC for Q3 and 4 considering the local elections. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support on behalf of CALM in developing the Concept and Agenda and organising 3 workshops for LPAs on the identification of areas and means of support for LPAs was provided. Participation in 5 meetings with CALM on the institutional development of CALM on 10, 24, 26, 29, 30 June. On 26 June support was provided to National Integrity Commission (NIC) in organising a Round Table on defining the structure of the 'Conflict of Interests in Public Procurement' Guide. 13 participants (5 women, 8 men): representatives of NIC, National Anticorruption Commission, Public Procurement Agency, Anticorruption Prosecutor Office, Academy of Public Administration, the Court of Accounts, GIZ, international and national experts. The structure of the guide was defined and its editing began. The workshop for local project managers was prepared, the training was carried out on 28-29 May 2015, according to the plan and agenda agreed with MRDC. 29 persons (11 women, 18 men) took part in the training, of which 7 are project managers. ToR and documents necessary for contracting of APAA to carry out the second stage of training for RDA accountants were developed and coordinated with MRDC and RDAs. APAA is contracted for the carrying out of the second stage of training for RDA accountants following the request of MRDC and RDAs. The training for the representatives of service providers from Cahul, Soldanesti, Floresti, Riscani on fleet management, organised together with USAID/LGSP took place on 5-7 May 2015 and 11-13 May 2015. As a result of the training 7 fleet managers and car mechanics - service provider representatives were trained. Only men took part in the training. The training consisted of two parts: theory (2 days) and practice (on job training) (1 day). 	

Challenges/risks	<p>Ensurance of sustainability of activities related to empowering LPAs in the field of gender mainstreaming in local public services could take place if the local actors, e.g CALM will take over the initiative in developing the Tool Kit, testing and coordinating activities with other development partners.</p>	<p>In order to ensure a progress in promoting and successful implementation of IMC activities, the following based on challenges were identified and mentioned in the report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A more efficient coordination on national level for the funding of regional projects from NFRD and EF. • Updating and improvement of legal framework regarding the mechanisms and forms of intermunicipal cooperation (including the associations of intermunicipal development) • Support in initiation of intermunicipal cooperation • The need for a greater awareness on behalf of LPAs regarding the possible forms of association for joint SWM and WSS service delivery and the advantages, especially the economic ones of the intermunicipal cooperation • The updating of legal framework regarding the registration of networks, valuation of assets, other aspects of an administration of technical-urban infrastructure • Meetings with donors, representatives of EF or/and NFRD were requested • The modification of Tax Code to exclude the obligation of paying VAT in case of local tax for waste disposal (art. 103, par. (1), 16). • Modification of legislation to exempt LPAs of the compulsory payment of compensation for set-aside in case of land-use change because of the need to develop the utilities (e.g. for solid waste landfills, other related facilities). 	<p>Currently, MRDC representatives submitted for coordination to other central line institutions the Regulation on the transfer of assets from RDA to beneficiaries, as well as the Guide on PPM. Following the approval of the mentioned Regulation, specifications regarding the regulation will be included into the PPM Guide.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The concept on the institutional development of CALM is based on LPAs' necessities. Because of the local elections, it was decided for the workshops on the consulting of LPAs to be replanned for a later period. • Uncertainty in establishing the National Integrity Commission management.
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Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September 2015 (interdisciplinary aspects)

Activity Area/A1 pilot projects	Gender issues	Inter-comunitary cooperation	Management of public infrastructure	Capacity development - crosscutting issues
Crosscutting Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 coordination meetings with USAID, SDC and CALM are organised in order to consult the agenda and concept. • Terms of Reference for the experts are developed. • The presentations for the training on the gender mainstreaming in local public services are developed. 	<p>The draft of IMC GUIDE in SWM and WSS sectors is developed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Guide on PPM is approved and launched; • The training for trainers in the PPM field is carried out. • The training on PPM (6 training sessions 2 days each in the three development regions) for LPA level I representatives, RDA, MRDC representatives, as well as, local project managers is organised and carried out. • The practical training module in the PPM field is developed to be taught at APA for public officials. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept and agenda for organisation of 9 training sessions for LPAs as members of RDC are developed. • A round table for 30 LPAs as former members of RDC on the identification of the need and consultation of the concept and agenda for training sessions is organised. • 9 trainings/workshops for potential RDC members, representatives of Mayor Rayon Associations in the field of regional development are organised. • The concept 'workshops/local study visits within pilot projects (SWM; WSS)' is developed and consulted with CALM. • The Guide on the avoidance of conflict of interests in public procurement is developed. • The National Conference in the field of avoiding the conflict of interests in public procurement is organised. • The training session for RDA accountants is prepared and carried out. The training will be carried out by the APAA experts on the subject of 'Peculiarities of application of methodical indications for NGOs'. • The model of RDA Accounting Policies is revised and adjusted.

Results and milestones achieved during the period 1 april - 30 june 2015 by the IA1 (interdisciplinary aspects)

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Extension / amplification activities from EE public buildings sector at regional / national level		Extension / amplification activities from WSS sector at regional / national level		Extension / amplification activities from SWM sector at regional / national level		Average rating	
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	2 Significant deviation		4 On track		3 Minor deviation		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data on the public buildings from 17 LPAs are collected and processed. A workshop on the development EE chapter of Soroca rayon SEDS and EE Programme and Plan is carried out. ToR on the development of training modules for rayon energy managers are approved. The initiation meeting on the development of the training modules for the rayon energy managers is organised. A group of 16 rayon energy managers under the EUREM training course made the presentation of the practical work. The training process for group no.2 composed of 16 rayon energy managers is launched. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trainers to develop the modules are selected. The development of modules is launched: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> strategic planning and long term planning of investments ; financial management and planning; tariff calculation; contract and investment projects management; WSS networks management; client management, public relations. Support to AMAC in organising a meeting of the national working group. Visit of Exhibition EXPO APA 2015, including visit to 3 WSS service providers from Romania are organised. ToR for the organisation of study visit to Romania for the WSS service providers is developed. Organisation of trainings (on-job training) on capacity strengthening of WSS service operators from North and South Development Regions is initiated in collaboration with USAID/LGSP. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation methodology of Capacity Development Plan for the SWM service providers is developed. The business plan of the SWM regional service operator is developed. Methodology of application and adjustment of SWM service tariff for LPA and service provider is developed. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questionnaires on EE in buildings were collected from 17 (a total of 83 buildings) out of 34 LPAs from Soroca rayon, i.e. aprox. 50% of the questionnaires were filled in by rayon LPA1. As not all questionnaires were collected the workshop could not be carried out. Group 1 of rayon energy managers made the presentation of the practical work on 02 July 2015. Of 16 persons (13 rayon EMs, Orhei and Chisinau hospitals EMs) who presented the work, 11 completed the courses (9 rayon EMs and 1 EM of Orhei Rayon Hospital), whereas 5 persons will present the work repeatedly (4 rayon EM and EM of Chisinau municipality). The training process for group no.2 consisting of 16 rayon energy managers is launched - on Monday, 20 July the information regarding the beginning date of the training and the exact number of participants will be submitted (rayon EM). The information will be presented by the CCI RM. Development of practical Guide on the implementation of energetic management system in public institutions. The Guide was developed, presented and distributed within the EU Sustainable Energy Week in Moldova, at the regional event on 17 June. Total published guides - 1 000 copies. The regional event was carried out on 17 June at RC Ialoveni under the name 'Energy Management public buildings – the way to sustainable development', organised by RDA Centre/MRDC with GIZ support (a total of 43 participants, among which - 17 women). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 trainers to develop the modules were selected. The development of the following modules began: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> strategic planning and long term planning of investments ; financial management and planning; tariff calculation; contract and investment projects management; WSS networks management; client management, public relations. 4 meetings with AMAC on the organisation of the modules took place. Support to AMAC in organising a meeting with NAER with the participation of GIZ experts. Visit of Exhibition EXPO APA 2015, including visit to 3 WSS service providers from Romania were. 52 persons - water utilities managers and AMAC members (3 women and 49 men). Organisation of trainings (on-job training) on capacity strengthening of WSS service operators from North and South Development Regions is initiated in collaboration with USAID/LGSP, one joint meeting took place in this respect. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation methodology of Capacity Development Plan for the SWM service providers was developed. The business plan of the SWM regional service operator is being updated. Methodology of application and adjustment of SWM service tariff for LPA and service provider is under development. The training for the representatives of SWM service providers from Soldanesti and Floresti on Solid Waste Integrated Management organised together with USAID/LGSP took place on 9-11 June 2015. As a result of the training 4 representatives of the service providers were trained. 3 men and 1 woman). 2 GIZ representatives responsible for SWM sector also took part in the event. The training consisted of two parts: theory (2 days) and practice (on job training) (1 day). 			

Challenges/risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of chapter on EE in public buildings of SEDS, EEP and AP for Soroca Rayon. Low level of the filling in of the questionnaires, the poor quality of data delivered. Reduced capacity and low involvement of rayon EM. Reduced political will of decision makers of LPAs lev. I and LPA lev. II to carry out this activity. 			
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Milestones and Results to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September 2015 (interdisciplinary aspects)

Activity Area/IA1 pilot projects	Extension / amplification activities from EE public buildings sector at regional / national level	Extension / amplification activities from WSS sector at regional / national level	Extension / amplification activities from SWM sector at regional / national level
Crosscutting issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questionnaires on EE in buildings from 34 LPAs are collected and processed. A workshop on the development of EE chapter of Soroca SEDS and of EE Programme and Plan is carried out. The EUREM trainign course for group no. 2 of rayon EM is completed. The practical works of 5 persons from group 1 under EUREM course are presented. The practical guide on the implementation of the energy management system in public buildings (900 copies) is distributed to interested parties:RDAs, EEA, EEF, rayon councils/rayon energy managers, CCI RM, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The training programme is developed. The training materials are developed. The examination paper and evaluation methodology are developed. The draft of the course material is developed. A meeting with TUM and AMAC on the logistics of the trainings is organised. Two meetings with AMAC and NAER on the participation of NAER in the trainings are organised. AMAC is provided with IT equipment. The working group (MRDC/Ministry of ENvironment/ AMAC/ Apele Moldovei/ GIZ/ CALM) responsible for the development and implementaiton of the action plan is established. 1 training course 'Water supply and sanitation' for WSS service providers from Cahul, Riscani and Leova is organised. The first draft of the brochure on the documented experience of the implementation of MLPS project in WSS sector in Cahul and Riscani Rayons based on 5 pillar model of efficient public services is developed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Methodology of development, application and adjustment of SWM service tariff fro LPAs and service provider is developed. The first draft of the brochure on the documented experience of the implementation of MLPS project in SWM sector in Soldanesti and Floresti Rayons based on 5 pillar model of efficient public services is developed. Concept of agenda, list of participants for 3 regional conferences on SWM is developed.

INTERVENTION AREA 2. REGIONAL PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

Progress review

This chapter presents the progress made during the period 1 April - 30 June 2015, according to the GIZ results based M&E system related to Intervention Area 2 (IA 2): regional planning and programming. These were elaborated on the assumption that the planned activities will lead to achieve the progress in reaching the IA2 specific objective: regional and local authorities plan in an efficient way the strategic investments in four priority sectors (water supply and sanitation (WSS), solid waste management (SWM), energy efficiency in public buildings (EE) and regional and local roads (RLR)).

The progress in reaching this specific objective is measured using the main success indicators presented below:

Success indicators for IA2:

- **Indicator 1:** The three Regional Development Agencies have facilitated the development of viable project concepts in the

priority sectors, with a total value of 170 MEUR (Baseline: 2010: 0; verification source: project concept documents presented).

- **Indicator 2:** 70% of stakeholders from 30 LPAs involved in local planning and programming express their satisfaction regarding facilitating capacities of RDAs (Baseline: 2012: 34%; Verification source: Survey carried out by the Congress of Local Authorities from Moldova in 2012 and 2014).
- **Indicator 3:** 75% project concepts facilitated by RDAs are scrutinised in terms of environmental impact considering national regulations. (Baseline: 2010: 0; Verification source: project concept documents, GOPA assessment grid).

The overview on the status of progress achieved during the reporting period 1 April - 30 June 2015, is presented in a summary table below:








**Overview of the progress achieved in IA2 during the period
1 april- 30 june, 2015**

Activity Area/ IA2		RSP	PD	CD	Total
EE in public buildings	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	N/A	3	3	3
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%	75%	80%	85%
SWM	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	N/A	2	4	3
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%	55%	80%	78%
RLR	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	4	2	1	2
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%	40%	55%	65%
WSS	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	N/A	3	3	3
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%	50%	75%	75%
CPSS	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	4	N/A	3	4
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	80%	N/A	80%	80%
TOTAL	Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	4	3	3	3
	Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	96%	55%	74%	77%

**Overview of the progress achieved by IA 2, interdisciplinary issues,
during the reporting period 1 aprilie - 30 June, 2015**

Intervention Area 2	APA	CBC	Communication	M&E	Inter-disciplinary aspects of the RD
Overall rating of progress 1 april - 30 june	4	4	3	4	3
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	90%	95%	95%	85%	75%

Results and milestones achieved in IA2 during the period 1 April - 30 June, 2015

Intervention Area / IA2	Regional Sector Planning		Project development/ RSP implementation		Capacity development		Average rating	
ENERGY EFFICIENCY								
Overall rating of progress 1 April - 30 June	Completed		2 Significant deviation		3 Minor deviation		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	Completed		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 projects till VPC (Draft report/Conceptual Design Report, VPC's ratio of second group of projects) are finished: - Communication process, discussion in the PWG; - Elaboration of the Conceptual Design Report; - Field visits; - Environmental impact assessment; - Evaluation of social and gender issues. • 5 agreements of PWG's (one of each project) are signed. • The progress report in completing the VPC's, group of projects 2 is developed and submitted. • The terms of reference for the design company are elaborated. • The design of the project (final) and tender documentation for first group of projects is elaborated. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 meetings - 1 meeting per development region - with RSWG are organized, to: - Discuss progress on implementation of RSP in the EE sector; - Present the progress on each VPC of PWG (3+5 VPC's); - Subsequent coordinate activities and share best practices. • 6 meetings of PWG (for 5 VPC's from second group of projects) in EE sector are organized, to: - Discuss progress on elaboration of VPC's; - Present the progress on each VPC of PWG (3+5 VPC's); - Coordinate further activities and train on site energy managers of districts. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	Completed in the previous reporting periods		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 of 5 projects till the stage of VPC (draft project/conceptual desihn report, report of VPC's from Group 2 of projects) are developed, other 2 projects are in process (Leova and Șoldănești) and will be completed in late July: - 5 meeting of PWGs were conducted (other 3 regarding second group of project 2 were organized in Q1); - 5 conceptual design project was elaborated; - 8 site visits (by 2 visits per VPC) were organized, and other 2 will take place in Q2 for Leova and Șoldănești VPC; - Environmental impact assessment was developed for 5 VPC (Leova, Șoldănești, Dubăsari, Strășeni, Fălești); - Evaluation of social and gender issues were evaluated for 5 VPC's. • 5 PWG agreements (one for each project) were signed. • The progress report on completing the VPCs, group projects 2 will be developed and submitted in July. • Terms of reference for the design company are not developed due to lack of funding commitment. • Conceptual design (final version) and tender documentation for group of projects 1 are not developed due to lack of funding commitment. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 meetings of the RSWG (6th session) were organized and conducted in April. The meeting was attended by 66 people, 50 men and 16 women. According to the assessment, the average score given by the participants regarding organization of the workshop was 4.01 of a maximum of 5. The main topics included in the agenda of the meetings were: (i) Presentation of plan of activities and progress on development of Viable Projects Concept; and (ii) providing the Possible Projects Concept to LPA. • 6 meetings in Șoldănești, Fălești, Strășeni, Leova, Dubăsari for the second group of projects were organized and carried out with the participation of 41 people (12 women, 29 men) The purpose of the meetings was to coordinate measures proposed in EE sector; present of VPC preliminary report, discuss the agreement on the role and responsibilities of each member of PWG and project activity plan, present the concept of thermal refurbishment of the building and clarify technical issues. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%		75%		80%		85%	

Challenges/ risks		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient communication and inter-ministerial cooperation to promote a single message to the donor community about the priorities of EE sector; • Lack of effective communication flow arrangements for existing projects to the donor community to attract the necessary investment in the EE sector; • Lack of a clear message to potential donors on funding commitments assumption of investment projects in the EE sector, in the process of development; • In case of joint projects with the Ministry of Education, funded by the World Bank, there is a risk of not being fully implemented the measures set out in VPC or use of materials of lower quality in terms of energy efficiency, imposed the requirement of cost reduction projects. • Effective implementation of VPC's depends on the availability of funds in the national budget for the implementation of education reform in Moldova, money that will be subsequently extended by the World Bank in the form of budgetary support. 		
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Milestones to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September, 2015

Intervention Area/ IA 2	Regional Sector Planning	Project development/ RSP implementation	Capacity development
EE	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarding a 12 VPC's to beneficiaries; • Report on progress in completing of VPC's for all three groups of projects is developed and submitted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 meetings - 1 meeting per development region - with RSWG are organized. • 6 PWG meetings are organized and carried out.

Overview of the progress achieved during the period 2014-2015

Intervention Area/IA 2 RPP	RSP	PD	CD	Average estimated progress
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2015	100%	75%	80%	85%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	100%	70%	65%	78%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	100%	60%	55%	72%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015) Q3, 2014	100%	55%	50%	68%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2,2014	100%	50%	50%	67%

Intervention Area / IA2	Regional Sector Planning	Project development/ RSP implementation	Capacity development	Average rating
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT				
Overall rating of progress 1 April - 30 June	Completed	2 Significant deviation	4 On track	3 Minor deviation
Planned milestones	Completed in the previous reporting periods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Inter-ministerial Commission approved the list of prioritized projects for development of viable project concepts. 1 evaluation report on environmental impact assessment (EIA) for the WMZ 3 in SDR is developed . 1 feasibility study - draft and final version – for the WMZ 3 in SDR, including activities on land use change is developed. 1 feasibility study is approved. 2 reports on site selection (1 per each zone) are finalized. 2 reports on EIA for WMZs in NDR and CDR - 1 for each zone is developed. 2 feasibility study – draft version – for WMZs in NDR and CDR - 1 for each zone is developed. Update 1 program on public awareness – process initiated. development of 1 set of documents for final design / execution and initiate the process for development of tender documents. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 meeting of RSWG in SDR is organized. 1 meeting with PWG in SDR is organized. 	
Progress towards achievement of milestones		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On April 9, within the meeting of the Inter-ministerial Commission was adopted the list of viable project concepts. Agenda of the meeting covered the following items: (i) presenting waste management sector within the MLPS project activities; (ii) presenting the level of project development in field of SWM, WMZ 3, SDR; (iii) presenting the level of project development in field of SWM, WMZ 2, CDR; (iv) presenting the level of project development in field of SWM, WMZ 2, NDR; and (v) the critical factors for implementation of projects in SWM sector. Thus, 3 PPC shall be developed to the stage of VPCs (one for each region). Actually a VPC is in process of development for the WMZ 3 in SDR. A draft report on EIA for the WMZ 3 in SDR was developed. The EIA procedure is a long term one and it takes about 90-100 days. This procedure was initiated; the decision on preliminary assessment regarding EIA was received from the MoE that represent the first step of the EIA procedure. Actually, the second step in EIA procedure (sending the EIA programme to the MoE) is blocked until a decision will be taken regarding including of Gagauzia in WMZ 3 in SDR. The FS draft for the SDR was developed. Actually, there are continuing activities on land use change for LPA in Cahul town. As required by the LPA in Cahul, was modified the action plan for land use change due to impossibility to find one of land owners that have to take part in process of land exchange for the extended are of the regional landfill (is out of country). The cadastre dossiers on land use change for the TSs in Taraclia and Cania have been prepared and coordinated with the MoE, but their submission to the Government will take place after a decision will be taken regarding the including of Gagauzia in the WNZ 3 in SDR. In case of a positive decision in this aspect would be necessary to register another imobil property in Taraclia because will be necessity to extend the area of TS, which will impose modification of the cadastre dossier. 2 reports on site selection from technical aspect (1 per each zone) are finalized. Based on these the Inter-ministerial Commission approved the PPCs for the CDR and NDR. 2 reports on EIA for WMZs in CDR and NDR have not been developed due to the fact that LPAs in these zones did not take a final decision on site selection for waste management facilities. 2 SF – draft version – for WMZs in CDR and NDR have not been developed due to the fact that LPAs in these zones did not take a final decision on site selection for waste management facilities. The process of updating of (1) program on public awareness is initiated. Was developed a programme for elaboration of EIA document which includes a calendar for public consultation and debates for EIA document, but this activity is stopped due to lack of the final decision on including Gagauzia in the WMZ 3 in SDR. Development of 1 set of documents for the final design/execution and the tender documents was not initiated because the FS / EIA for the WMZ 3 in SDR was not finalized. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 meeting of RSWG in SDR was organized. 1 meeting with PWG in SDR was organized. <p>At 29 of April took place a meeting of the RSWG and PWG in SDR. The issues discussed within the meetings were the following: (i) progress in implementation of the technical assistance projects in SDR in the period 2014-2015; (ii) action plan for 2015 regarding the development of FS/EIA in SDR; (iii) procedure on evaluation of the EIA and role of LPAs in this process; and (iv) progress in land use change process in context of the regional landfill emplaced in WMZ 3 in SDR.</p> <p>About 35 persons participated at the meeting, of which 18 men and 17 women. According the evaluation sheets, the average score given by participants to organizational aspect of the meeting was of 4.65 out of maximum 5.</p>	
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%	55%	80%	78%









Challenges/ risks		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insufficient inter-ministerial communication and cooperation to promote a clear message toward the donor community regarding the sector priorities; delay in taking the decision on site selection for emplacement of waste management facilities in NDR and CDR creates difficulties to further implementation of the projects in these regions. There is necessary that central public authorities interfere in this process and contribute to final selection of the location for the regional landfill; Lack of the legal and regulatory framework in field of waste management approximated to the EU one (these are only in draft version); The initiative to partially include the Gagauzia localities in WMZ 3, SDR will impose the total review of SF chapters, modification of the lifetime of the regional landfill, possible, selection of the new TS, etc.. Lack of a final decision in this context is influencing the process of signing the financial agreement with potential donors; Cooperation with State Chancellery is necessary to approve the preferred model for institutional cooperation for waste management during project implementation as well as during operation of the Integrated System for Waste Management; Population resistance at local level and insufficient application of penalties for not respecting the sanitation requirements. It is crucial that the procedure on EIA development is initiated in time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 meeting with PWG are organized (one in each region) . Meetings if the PWG in CDR and NDR are conditioned by site selection for the regional landfill. 	

Milestones to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September, 2015

Intervention Area/ IA 2	Regional Sector Planning	Project development/ RSP implementation	Capacity development
SWM	Completed	Activities in SDR: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report on EIA for WMZ 3, finalized; Public debates on EIA organized; Activities on land use change implemented; Concept design for TS in Taraclia and regional landfill in Cahul are revised; 1 FS for WMZ 3 in SDR is finalized and approved; Dialog for a preliminary financial agreement with a financing institution - open; Activities in NDR and CDR: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site selection for waste management facilities; Hydro-geological and topographical investigations for WMZ 2 in CDR and NDR in case the site is selected for the regional landfill. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> one meeting of the RSWG is organized in SDR; one meeting of PWG is organized in SDR.

Overview of the progress achieved during the period 2014-2015

Intervention Area/IA 2 RPP	RSP	PD	CD	Average estimated progress
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2015	100%	55%	80%	78%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	100%	50%	75%	75%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	100%	45%	68%	71%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015) Q3, 2014	100%	35%	65%	67%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2,2014	100%	25%	40%	55%

Intervention Area / IA2	Regional Sector Planning		Project development/ RSP implementation		Capacity development		Average rating	
Regional and Local Roads								
Overall rating of progress 1 April - 30 June	4 On track		2 Significant deviation		1 Off track		2 Significant deviation	
Planned milestones	Completed		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of 12 PPCs is developed and approved. 12 inventory reports are finalised. 12 pre-feasibility evaluation reports are finalised. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 meetings with RSWG in RLR sector are organised. 4 meetings with PWG in RLR sector are organised 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RSP in RLR sector for North Development Region was approved by the DC North on 3 April. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A list of 15 PPCs from 24 corridors was developed and approved by the MRDC. The list will be submitted to inter-ministerial commission / panel for VPCs' identification. 15 road inventory and survey reports are being developed and are to be finalised by 17 July and submitted to inter-ministerial commission, estimated date - 24 July. Pre-feasibility evaluation reports (VPCs) will be developed after approval of VPCs list by inter-ministerial commission. 15 field visits for road condition surveys of 15 corridors (priority PPCs) were undertaken. As a result of discussions with the World Bank (WB), 4 corridors from 28 were taken over by the WB for development and further implementation. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a result of public consultation two corridors were added, so as the final list comprises 28 PPCs. Thereafter it was necessary to coordinate the list with MRDC on corridors that would constitute the priority for further investigation and has been decided the further examination of 15 PPCs from 28 PPCs in total. At the moment when field visits were already undertaken, inter-ministerial commission was not possible to be convened due to electoral period, as well as RSWG and RWG were not organised due to the fact that it has not been decided yet which projects will be selected for further development in VPCs. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%		40%		55%		65%	
Challenges/ risks			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delay in development of projects for RSP implementation 					








Milestones to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September, 2015

Intervention Area/ IA 2	Regional Sector Planning	Project development/ RSP implementation	Capacity development
RLR	Completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 road inventory reports are finalised • 1 summary report on road inventory are finalised • List of VPC approved by the inter-ministerial commission 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 meeting of RSWG are organised (one for each region)

Overview of the progress achieved during the period 2014-2015

Intervention Area/IA 2 RPP	RSP	PD	CD	Average estimated progress
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2015	100%	40%	55%	65%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	100%	30%	55%	62%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	85%	18%	55%	53%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015) Q3, 2014	75%	15%	50%	47%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2,2014	65%	10%	30%	35%

Results and milestones achieved in IA2 during the period 1 April - 30 June, 2015

Intervention Area / IA2	Regional Sector Planning		Project development/ RSP implementation		Capacity development		Average rating	
WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION								
Overall rating of progress 1 April - 30 June	Completed		3 Minor deviation		3 Minor deviation		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	Completed in the previous reporting periods		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Feasibility studies, including conceptual drawings - draft version are under development; - site visits (data verification), including water quality analyses; - organisation of progress meetings with PWGs regarding FS elaboration status. - elaboration of chapters regarding environment and gender issues; - elaboration of technical, financial/economical, legal, social, institutional aspects; - FS draft version presentation for PWG in order to establish an agreement. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 meetings of the PWGs in WSS sector are organised: - Discussion on progress in FS development ; - Presentation of 12 FSs and obtaining their approval in order to complete them and initiate the conceptual technical study. • 3 workshops with the PWGs in WSS sector are organised in order to inform on the progress of the FS and conceptual drawings elaboration. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 feasibility studies, including conceptual drawings - draft version are under development; - 9 field visits conducted for data verification; - 6 PWG workshops conducted (VPC: Straseni, Singerei, Leova, Falesti, Calarasi, Ungheni) on the progress made in elaboration of feasibility studies; - chapters drafted on environmental and gender issues (VPC: Straseni, Singerei, Leova, Falesti, Calarasi, Ungheni); - chapters drafted on technical, financial / economic, legal, social and institutional aspects (VPC: Straseni, Singerei, Leova, Falesti, Calarasi, Ungheni); - 6 draft VPCs presented during PWG workshops, investment implementation phases approved; - draft FSs presented and agreed with PWGs. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 PWG meetings organised (including 9 on-site working sessions and 6 workshops): - Discussion on FS progress and development status; - Presentation of 6 out of 12 FSs during the PWG workshops as well as approval on FS and conceptual drawings finalisation. It was agreed that the presentation of progress in FS development process as well as approval of investment phases is more efficient when it takes place during VPC PWG workshops. Six workshops to be organised in quarter III 2015; • 6 PWG workshops, 1 per each VPC (initially planned three WSS PWG workshops, 1 per each development region) are organised to inform about the progress and development of the FS and conceptual drawings. It was agreed that the organisation of PWG workshops per each VPC is more efficient than one per each region. Those modifications will be included in the work plan for quarters III-IV. The number of participants and the score given by them as regards the organisation of PWG workshops are the following: Straseni - 21 participants (8 women) with an average of 4.78 of max. 5 Singerei - 10 participants (4 women) with an average of 4.64 of max. 5 Leova - 18 participants (5 women) with an average of 4.73 of max. 5 Falesti - 17 participants (4 women) with an average of 4.52 of max. 5 Calarasi - 17 participants (4 women) with an average of 4.8 of max. 5 Ungheni - 15 participants (3 women) with an average of 4.65 of max. 5 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	100%		50%		75%		75%	

Challenges/ risks		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • insufficient communication and inter-ministerial cooperation in order to promote a unified message to the donor community regarding WSS sector priorities; • lack of efficient communication method on existing flow of projects to the donors community to attract the needed investments in the WSS sector; • current technical standards, the impossibility to use the new technologies and materials and outdated design criteria in WSS sector lead to oversized systems; • lack of territorial statistics, including: demographic data, need of water, energy consumption, operational costs, maps and diagrams of the current pipes. Thus, experts have to use several assumptions that cannot be verified/ tested before investments are implemented; • lack of a coordination of investments in WSS sector represents a risk on overlapping or/and duplication of activities/ investments. There is no concept about regionalization. 		
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Milestones to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September, 2015

Intervention Area/ IA 2	Regional Sector Planning	Project development/ RSP implementation	Capacity development
WSS	Completed	• 12 feasibility studies in process of development.	• 6 PWG meetings in WSS sector organised.

Overview of the progress achieved during the period 2014-2015

Intervention Area/IA 2 RPP	RSP	PD	CD	Average estimated progress
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2015	100%	50%	75%	75%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	100%	40%	60%	67%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	100%	30%	50%	60%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015) Q3, 2014	100%	20%	50%	57%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2,2014	80%	20%	50%	50%

Results and milestones achieved in IA2 during the period 1 April - 30 June, 2015

Intervention Area / IA2	Regional Sector Planning		Project development/ RSP implementation		Capacity development		Average rating	
COMPLEMENTARY PRIVATE SERVICE SUPPORT								
Overall rating of progress 1 April - 30 June	4 On track				3 Minor deviation		4 On track	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A quarterly action plan is approved by the Regional and National Working Groups. 1 session of the National Working Group is organized. 3 sessions of RWG are organized. 		N/A		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 2nd Information Training sessions are organized for the private sector in 8-9 rayons from 3 development regions. The Energy Efficiency Round table is organized . The regional seminars for private sector in Bălți, Ialoveni, Cimișlia with participation of international and local experts in the area of public procurement are organized. 			
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the period of 16-18.06.2015 the sessions of RWG were organized. These sessions were attended by representatives of RDAs CCI branches, the National Confederation of Employers, private sector representatives of Regional Development Council, GIZ / Sequa (incl. 9 women, 20 men). Within the RWG sessions were updated and the quarterly Action plan for each region were approved. On 19. 06.2015 was organized the NWG session with participation of 4 women, 7 men. Within the NWG session we discussed and approved the Action plan for the quarters III and IV, 2015. 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the period of 28.04 - 14.05.2015 we organized the information training sessions for the private sector in 3 development regions in districts Hincești, Orhei, Ungheni, Edineț, Soroca, Bălți, Cahul with participation of 185 entrepreneurs: 97 women and 88 men. The main purpose of this activity was to increase access to information regarding Public Procurement and to develop the capacities of the private sector from the regions and enable them to participate in Public Procurement and Tender Procedures. So, the seminar topics were focused on rights and obligations of contracting authorities and economic operators, evaluation procedure, contract award procedure, the challenges of the private sector and practical exercises based on case studies proposed by RDAs. The seminar in Causeni was postponed based on the request of CCI. On 19.05.2015 was organized the round table in the energy efficiency sector focused on sustainable procurement issues, regulations on energy performance of buildings, requirements of European law in procurement, quality control of efficient buildings, energy managers of the LPAs with the participation of 18 women and 46 men. The regional seminars for the private sector in Balti, Ialoveni, Cimislia with participation of international experts are postponed until July 2015. 			
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	80%				80%		80%	
Challenges/ risks	The passive attending of representatives of CCI branches (Ungheni, Causeni) and the National Confederation of Employers at the RWG meetings.				The passive participation of private sector from the South Region at the training sessions.			





Milestones to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September, 2015

Intervention Area/ IA 2	Regional Sector Planning	Project development/ RSP implementation	Capacity development
CPSS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A common quarterly Action plan is updated and approved by the Regional Working Groups (RWG). 3 sessions of the Regional Working Groups are organized. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The regional seminars for privat sector in Bălți, Ialoveni, Cimișlia with participation of international and local experts in the area of public procurement are organized. The 3rd Information Training sessions are organized for the private sector in the cities of 3 development regions. The 3rd TOT seminar is organized for consultants of CCI branches.

Evoluția progresului obținut în perioada anului 2014 -2015

Intervention Area/IA 2 RPP	RSP	PD	CD	Average estimated progress
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2015	80%	N/A	80%	80%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	60%	N/A	60%	60%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	45%	N/A	45%	45%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015) Q3, 2014	30%	N/A	35%	33%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2,2014	30%	N/A	30%	30%

Results and milestones achieved in IA2 during the period 1 April - 30 June, 2015

Intervention Area / IA2	APA		CBC	
Overall rating of progress 1 April - 30 June	4 On track		4 On track	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two training courses on leadership development in public administration are organized. • A model course for the Academy of Public Administration (APA) on “Financing Regional Development measures” – using the open Call for Proposals (CfP) under the Eastern Partnership (EaP) Territorial Cooperation (TC) Programme is designed and implemented. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contributing to the organization of public consultations on the programmes documents for the CBC Programmes "Black Sea 2014-2020" and "Romania - Moldova 2014-2020" (activity organized in collaboration with ADA). • Potential beneficiaries of the Territorial Cooperation Programme Moldova - Ukraine, are informed about launching the call for proposals. 	
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the period 27-29.04.2015 and 11-13.05.2015 two training courses on leadership development in public administration were organized, during which 35 representatives of LPA I participated (23 women and 12 men). During the implementation of these courses 5 persons were from the northern region, 7 persons from the central region, 2 persons from southern region and 21 persons from Chisinau. • In the period 18 - 21.05.2015 a model course for the Academy of Public Administration (APA) on “Financing Regional Development measures” – using the open Call for Proposals (CfP) under the Eastern Partnership (EaP) Territorial Cooperation (TC) Programme was implemented. Within the training course 31 participants attended, out of which 20 women and 11 men. During the implementation of the training course 9 persons were from the northern region, 14 persons from the central region, 5 persons from southern region and 3 persons from Chisinau. In the period 9-12.05.2015, these participants had the opportunity to receive individual consultations concerning the call for proposals. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On 21 May 2015 the responsible institutions from Republic of Moldova have organized the public consultations on the programmes documents of the CBC programmes "Black Sea 2014-2020" and "Romania - Moldova 2014-2020". This activity was organized in collaboration with ADA, where GIZ contributed conceptually and coming up with recommendations in order to improve the programmes documents. • Potential beneficiaries of the Territorial Cooperation Programme Moldova - Ukraine were informed about launching the call for proposals by different methods (announcement on the project and the partner institutions web sites, information during the individual consultations and seminars delivered by APA, etc.). 	
Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	90%		95%	

Challenges/ risks		
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Milestones to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September, 2015




Intervention Area/ IA 2	APA	CBC
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop with trainers on the change management and evaluation of the training courses provided by APA during 3 years is organized. • Developing the training materials for the training course "Local and regional marketing for sustainable regional development" is initiated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The document on "Cross-border cooperation - instrument of regional development" is developed and distributed to partners.

Overview of the progress achieved during the period 2014-2015

Intervention Area/ IA 2 RPP	AAP	CBC
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2015	90%	95%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	86%	82%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	75%	75%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015) Q3, 2014	70%	70%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2,2014	65%	70%

Results and milestones achieved in IA2 during the period 1 April - 30 June, 2015

Intervention Area / IA2	Communication		M&E		Cross-cutting aspects of the RD	
Overall rating of progress 1 April - 30 June	3 Minor deviation		4 On track		3 Minor deviation	
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Products of Media Campaign “Construim Viitorul Acasa” published and broadcasted; • Communications Strategy for MRDC for 2015-2018 approved; • Features and talk-shows about regional development produced and broadcasted (API project); • One quarterly newsletter about regional development produced and distributed; • SIADR – piloting completed. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support to the organization MLPS Steering Committee is offered. • Activities to support the assessment NSRD are initiated. • Activities to support the development NSDR/RDS are initiated. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VPC fiches and presentations are elaborated and presented; • Ordinary coordination meetings with donors are held; • Documents on planned regional sector activities are elaborated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monitor regional sector planning and programming by designing evaluation questionnaires and checking the progress registered through participants to workshops - Develop, monitor and evaluate questionnaires for PWG activities; • Maintain archive for major regional planning events • VPCs fiches and presentations were elaborated and presented. • Trainings on elaboration and implementation of the "Action plan in social and gender aspects" and application in practice of the social and gender tools, target group: national sector managers in EE, SWM, RLR and WSS are organised. • Final report on instruments in social and gender areas is elaborated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pilot the tools for WSS sector and their revision based on the obtained pilot results; - Analysis of collected data and elaboration of model report on integration of social and gender aspects for the WSS sector. 	
Progress towards achievement of milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media Campaign “Construim Viitorul Acasa”. During two months (April-May 2015) 3 video clips and audio clips were broadcasted by 4 TV stations (Pro TV Chişinău, Jurnal TV, Moldova 1, Canal Regional) and two Radio channels (Radio Chişinău, Radio Plai). Also 3 banners were distributed via MRDC, RDAs, Serviciilocale.md, Unimedia.md, Agora.md, Stiirilocale.md websites; • The last draft of Communications Strategy for MRDC for 2015-2018 was presented in May 2015 to the deputy minister Ion Stratulat; • API project. 18 TV features about regional development were produced and broadcasted by 3 TV stations (Moldova 1, Canal Regional si Aici/Elita TV). Radio talk-shows were recorded and broadcasted in April and May by 2 Radio channels (Radio Moldova și Radio Chişinău). 3 TV talk-shows (one per RDA) will be produced in July and broadcasted in August on 3 TV stations (Aici/Elita TV network); • 1 quarterly newsletter about regional development. 1st issue was published and distributed (550 copies – Romanian (300), Russian (125) and English(125)); • SIADR is operational. MRDC is responsible for maintaining and administrating. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting from Q I, 2015 of the MLPS SC was held on 8 May with the participation of 48 participants 11 women, 37 men). At this meeting they were discussed the progress achieved during the fourth quarter of 2014 and first quarter of 2015. • Draft 2016-2020 NSRD is initiated with the support of BCI. 2 Inter-ministerial Committee meetings were held with the participation of representatives from different ministries, relevant experts from Poland and GIZ. • Evaluation NSRD 2010-2012, 2013-2015 was initiated by involving independent national experts. <p>The MDRC request was granted support in carrying out impact assessment for one project funded NFRD 'Supporting private sector development and the process of attracting investments into the RDN construction water and sewerage networks for subzone no. 3 of the Free Economic Zone (FEZ) Balti '. The report was published on the website: http://www.adrnord.md/libview.php?l=ro&idc=195&id=2410</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VPC fiches were elaborated and presented in draft project in a database of project pipeline. Information process of donors related to the pipeline was not agreed yet. • Ordinary coordination meetings with donors are held: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - One meeting with the EU Delegation took place in order to discuss: (i) achieved progress in all the sectors referring to project pipeline, including the funding of the pipeline database, and (ii) donors conference and institution that is supposed to organise it. - One meeting with the representative of the World Bank took place in June. the programme of the Bank on local roads sector was discussed, as well as the way of including the projects under the implementation which are in the elaboration process by the sector teams from IA2 (specially for the road sector) within this programme - one meeting with the representative of the Czech Republic Embassy took place in order to synchronize the methodology of elaboration of feasibility studies for SDR of the system project in SWM area. • Documents on planned regional sector activities are elaborated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For the meetings of RSWGs and PWGs (that have a larger composition) were elaborated questionnaires, according to the sector specific and filled in by attendees at the workshop to measure their level of satisfaction on events organization. - the archive of the major regional planning events held at the project, regional as well as national level is maintained and updated every month. • Trainings on elaboration and implementation of the "Action plan on social and gender aspects" and appliance into practice if the social and gender tools will take place in July with the sector teams. For the RLR sector, the training will be held after the pilotation of the social and gender based on a selected project at the Inter-ministerial Commission. • Social and gender tools in WSS sector were piloted in the project "Improving the water supply and sanitation services for 25.000 consumers from Straseni town". Afterwards the visit, the final report was written, including the social and gender chapter, as part of the feasibility study. The report was elaborated based on collected data, focus groups with beneficiaries and interviews with the stakeholders. • One workshop on project development pathway was organized with the participation of GIZ, MRDC and RDAs. The topics included on the agenda were (i) project pathway, general principles; (ii) particularities for each of the sector; (iii) incorporation of the RSPs in the policy framework; and, (iv) funding of the project pipeline. 	

Estimated % of overall implementation (2010-2015)	95%		85%		75%	
Challenges/ risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The lack of a full-time person responsible for communication issues for MRDC; MRDC and RDAs do not have a budget for communications issues and activities; Communication Strategy for MRDC is delaying to be approved. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Because operating a reshuffle in the assessment team is observed delays in the submission of evaluation results NSRD 2010-2012, 20103-2015 			

Milestones to be achieved during the reporting period 1 July - 30 September, 2015

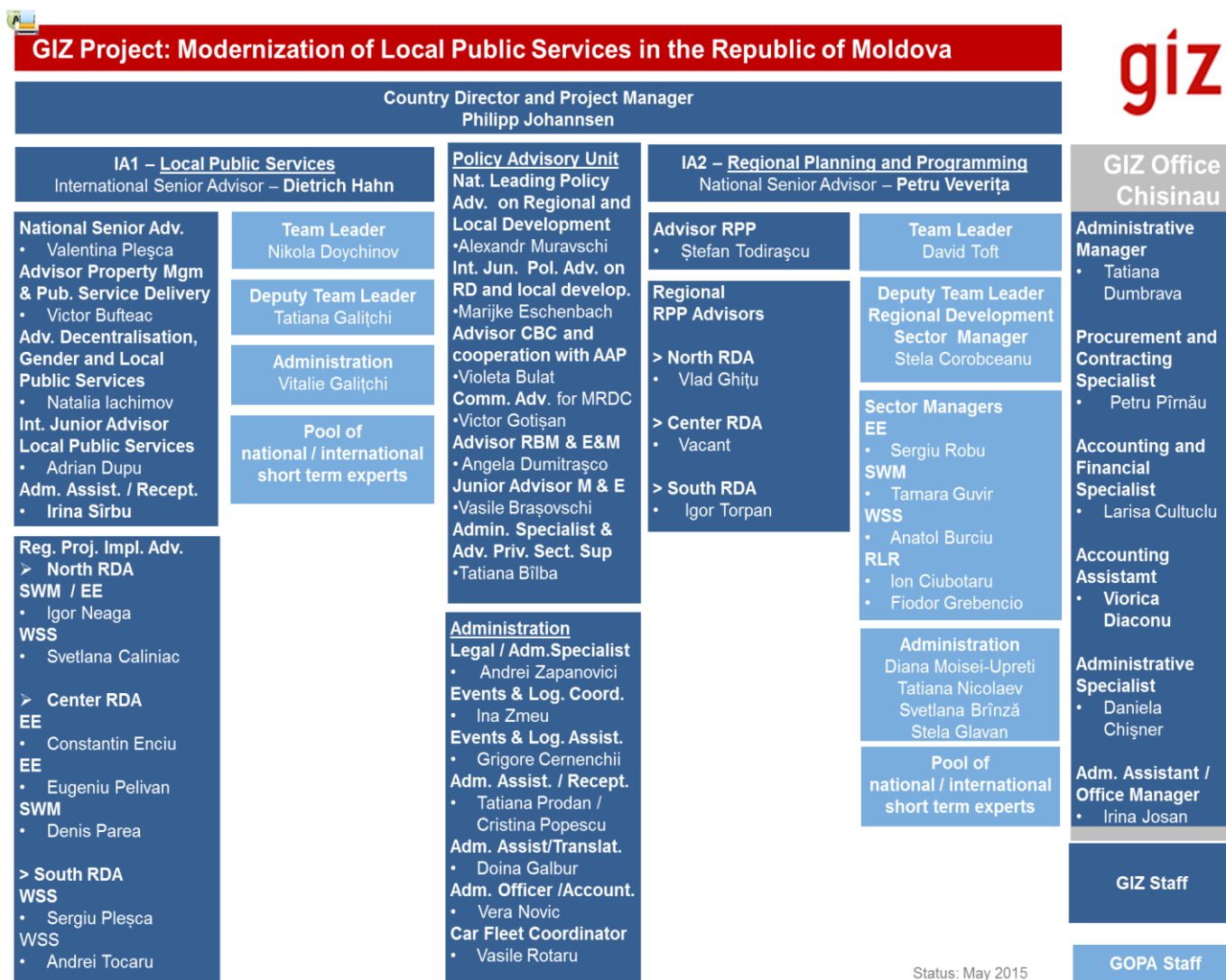
Intervention Area/ IA 2	Communication	M&E	Cross-cutting aspects of the RD
Planned milestones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd issue of quarterly newsletter about regional development to be published (550 copies) and disseminated; 3 talk-shows about regional development to be produced and broadcasted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation project NSRD 2010-2012, 2013-2015 is prepared and submitted to MRDC. 2016-2020 NSDR project is developed and presented to MRDC. Support in conducting impact assessment of five projects funded from NFRD is offered. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One (1) knowledge product on PDP process is elaborated. VPCs fiches and presentations are elaborated. Ordinary coordination meetings with the donors are organized. Social and gender tools in RLR sector are piloted. Chapters on social and gender aspects for FSs of WSS projects are initiated.

Overview of the progress achieved during the period 2014-2015


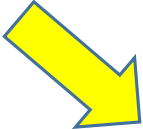
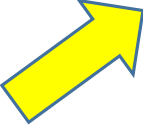

Intervention Area/ IA 2 RPP	Comunicare	M&E	Cross-cutting aspects of the RD
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q2, 2015	95%	85%	75%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1, 2015	90%	75%	70%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q4, 2014	84%	70%	65%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015) Q3, 2014	80%	50%	60%
Estimated % of the overall implementation (2010-2015), Q1+Q2,2014	75%	30%	60%

ANNEXES

Annex #1 The Structure of the Project 'Modernization of Local Public Services in the Republic of Moldova'



Annex #2 Evaluation Grid for Measuring Progress

1 Nerealizat		Off track
2 Abateri semnificative		Significant deviation
3 Abateri ne semnificative		Minor deviation
4 Conform planului de lucru		On track