PROJECT FICHE PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES AND AGENCIES Project Number 2002/000.601.07.01

1. Basic Information

1.1 CRIS Number: 2002/000.601.07.01

1.2 Country: Lithuania

1.3 Title: Participation in Community programmes (and/or agencies)

2. Description

On the basis of Association Council decisions and Agreements, candidate countries may participate in certain European Community programmes and agencies. The Phare programme can be used to help a candidate country to meet, on a degressive basis, part of the costs of participating in those programmes and agencies. As from 2001, Phare funds will be made available each year as part of the Phare national programme so as to cofinance the financial contribution to be paid by the country to participate in these programmes and agencies in the following year.

A maximum of 10% of the Phare national programme may be used to co-finance participation in Community programmes and agencies, other than the Research and Development framework programme. Participation in this programme does not count towards the 10% limit.

Detailed Budget

	Phare support	Contribution from the national budget	Total Lithuania's financial contribution to the programme/agency
	€	€	€
Leonardo da Vinci II*	762 000	786 000	1 548 000
Socrates II	756 000	806 000	1 562 000
Youth	352 000	370 000	722 000
Culture 2000	51 349	88 537	139 886
Fiscalis*	35 508	59 476	94 984
Sixth Framework for R& D	2 200 000	2 200 000	4 400 000
Programme * Enterprise and Entrepreneurship*	151 075	95353	246428
SAVE * *	31 282	58 948	90 230
EContent*	27 300	11 700	39 000
Media plus*	68 600	29 400	98 000
Customs 2007*	73 886	85 009	158 895
European Environment	78 000		130 000
Agency	420 000	180 000	600 000
LIFE*** Total	5 007 000		9 829 423



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*Estimated figures. The precise figures will be indicated in the Memoranda of Understanding that will be signed after commencement of the Framework Decision of the Association Council.

** SAVE is finishing in 2002. However, Lithuania would like to participate in a similar programme, if there is

*** Preliminary figures. The Ministry of Environment does not yet have the information on the fees for this programme for 2003.

Due to the fact that a number of figures indicated in the fiche are still preliminary the funds can be reallocated between the programmes or allocated to the new programmes within the total budget indicated in the fiche.

4. Implementation Arrangements

- 4.1 The National Fund is responsible for the Phare part of the financial contribution to be paid by Lithuania to participate in Community programmes and agencies.
- 4.2 Upon signature of the Financing Memorandum the National Fund will request from the Commission the transfer of the total amount of the Phare support indicated in section 3 above. These funds must be used to pay the Phare part of the financial contribution to be paid by Lithuania to participate in Community programmes and agencies.
- 4.3 The various Commission services responsible for the different programmes or agencies will send to the Mission of Lithuania to the EU a request for the total financial contribution for the participation in a given programme or agency ("call for funds"). The National Fund should check the amount to be financed from Phare funds and then transfer that amount as per the call for funds to the Commission service responsible. When making the payment for each programme, the National Fund should quote the reference number indicated in the call for funds for the programme concerned, and send simultaneously a copy of the payment order to the relevant Commission service.

Annex

List of relevant Association Council decisions or agreements

Council Decision n°3/2000 of the EU-Lithuania Association Council of 28 September 2000 adopting the terms and conditions for the participation of the Lithuania to Community programmes in the fields of training and education. Entered into force on 28 September 2000.

Council Decision n°4/2000 of the EU-Lithuania Association Council of 13 December adopting the terms and conditions for the participation of the Republic of Lithuania in the "Youth" Community action programme. Entered into force on 13 December 1999.

Council Decision n o. 4/2001 of the EU-Lithuania Association Council of 30 October 2001 adopting the terms and conditions for the participation of the Republic of Lithuania in the "Culture 2000". Entered into force on 6 November 2001.

Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lithuania concerning the participation of the Republic of Lithuania to the European Environment Agency and the European Environment Information and Observation Network. Signed 24 November 2000.

On 18 June 2002 the EU-Lithuania Association Council adopted new general terms and conditions for the participation of the Republic of Lithuania in Community Programmes. In accordance with Article 8, the Decision enters into force on 1 July 2002.

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