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Twinning: New per diem rates applicable from Wednesday 1st April 2015 onwards

The latest adjustment of the maximum rates of per diem allowances paid to experts on mission undertaken in the framework of an EU funded contract has been published by Directorate General Development and Cooperation – EuropeAid and is available at:

https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/perdiem_en

The EuropeAid per diem rates are based on United Nations rates, which are set in accordance with country survey missions conducted by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC).

The UN data are derived from price surveys of good commercial hotels and meal costs for the respective third countries, with an additional 15 per cent for incidental expenses. As United Nations rates are expressed in US dollars, EuropeAid maximum per diem rates are the result of a conversion into EUR.

Please find herewith for your easy reference the list with the adjusted rates specifically compiled for IPA and ENI beneficiaries.

For Twinning projects in Turkey, the arrangement decided in 2006 remains valid: the per diem applicable to all Twinning projects in Turkey is the one set for Istanbul.

*The new rates are applicable as of **Wednesday 1st April 2015**.*

It is reminded that the common Twinning manual (under section 5.6.2) clearly provides that the rate of the per diem can vary over the lifetime of a Twinning project. The date of the mission (first day of travel) determines the rate applicable to the whole mission.

Conversely, the subsistence allowance of RTAs is not subject to revision during the lifetime of the project.

The Manual also states that these per diem rates represent a maximum and that lower rates may also be applied.

EU Member State	Previous per diem rate in €	New per diem rate in € as of 01/04/2015
Croatia	180	180

IPA Beneficiaries	Previous per diem rate in €	New per diem rate in € as of 01/04/2015
Iceland	261	248
Montenegro	143	119
Serbia	158	158
the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	171	160
Turkey	230 (ref. letter of 14.11.2006)	237 (ref. letter of 14.11.2006)
Albania	233	180
Bosnia -Herzegovina	130	145
Kosovo*	158	158

ENI Beneficiaries		
Algeria	315	303
Armenia	138	163
Azerbaijan	311	218
Belarus	171	250
Egypt	225	259
Georgia	209	174
Israel	309	356
Jordan	179	224
Lebanon	357	260
Libya	183	191
Moldova	173	171
Morocco	179	187
Palestine	142	151
Russia	364	410
Syria	259	173
Tunisia	156	142
Ukraine	316	286

**This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence*