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CROSS BORDER COOPERATION

ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS of Joint Managing Authority of the Joint Operational Programme Romania-Ukraine-Republic of Moldova 2007-2013

1. Basic act and Financing source

Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighborhood and Partnership Instrument;

Regulation (EC) No 951/2007 of 9 August 2007 laying down implementing rules for the cross-border cooperation programmes financed in the framework of the Regulation No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighborhood and Partnership Instrument;

Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EC) No 951/2007 of 9 August 2007 laying down implementing rules for cross-border cooperation programmes financed under Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighborhood and Partnership Instrument (published in Official Journal of the European Union from 25.8.2009);

Commission decision on the Joint Operational Programme "Romania-Ukraine-Republic of Moldova 2007-2013" for the ENPI Cross-Border Co-operation 2007-2013, no. C(2008)3806 of 29 July 2008.

2. Objectives of the programme, priorities for 2011 and expected results

The **aim of the Programme** is to improve the economic, social and environmental situation in the Programme area, in the context of safe and secure borders, through increased contact of partners on both sides of the borders.

The core objectives of the ENPI CBC will be pursued by **three priorities and related measures**:

➤ Priority 1: Towards a more competitive border economy

- 1.1. Improving the productivity and competitiveness of the region's urban and rural areas by working across borders,
- 1.2. Cross-border initiatives in transport, border infrastructure and energy.

➤ **Priority 2: Environmental challenges and emergency preparedness**

- 2.1. Addressing strategic cross-border environmental challenges including emergency preparedness.
- 2.2. Water supply, sewerage and waste management

➤ **Priority 3: People to People Co-operation**

- 3.1. Local and regional governance, support to civil society and local communities.
- 3.2. Educational, social and cultural exchanges.

3. Eligibility conditions

Applicants must be located in the eligible regions as defined by the Joint Operational Programme Romania-Ukraine-Republic of Moldova 2007-2013.

Different typologies of actors can participate to the Programme: public bodies, local, regional and central administrations, universities, non-governmental organizations, associations and organizations representing economic and social interests.

It is necessary, that at least one partner from Romania and one partner from Ukraine/Republic of Moldova participate in the project.

Additional information will be made available once the Guidelines for Applicants for 2011 call for proposals are published.

4. Selection and award criteria

The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the following documents:

- Practical Guide to contract procedures for EC external actions in force at the date of the launching of the call for proposals;
- Joint Operational Programme Romania-Ukraine-Republic of Moldova 2007-2013 adopted with the Decision of the European Commission no C(2008)3806 of 29 July 2008;
- Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighborhood and Partnership Instrument;
- Commission Regulation (EC) n. 951/2007 laying down implementing rules for cross-border cooperation programmes financed under Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down general provisions establishing a European Neighborhood and Partnership Instrument;
- Guidelines for applicants approved by the Joint Monitoring Committee of the Joint Operational
- Assessment Manual approved by the Joint Monitoring Committee.

5. Maximum rate of European Union financing

Co-financing of the projects coming from the own resources of the countries or bodies participating in the Joint Operational Programme shall amount to at least 10% of the Community contribution to the projects.

6. Schedule of calls for proposals

Expected launch date for the call for proposals: April 30, 2011

The Call for Proposals will be published on the website of the Joint Operational Programme: <http://www.ro-ua-md.net> and on the website of the Joint Managing Authority www.mdr.ro.

7. Indicative amount of calls for proposals

The global indicative funds made available under this call for proposals is estimated at 33.582.934 Euro, which represents the estimated available amount after contracting projects submitted under the first call for proposals and large scale projects.

This amount may be amended following the JMC decision.