Matra Cooperation for Strengthening the Rule of Law (CoPROL) Programme

Further strengthening asylum and migration management in Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Matra CoPROL is the grants policy framework for the Matra (social transformation) programme on Cooperation with Pre-accession Countries on the Rule of Law (CoPROL) (Second Phase) for the period 2014-2016. The overarching policy objective of Matra CoPROL is to strengthen the capacity of government institutions in Southeast European countries (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia) and Turkey with EU accession prospects to meet the political (Copenhagen) criteria, by means of partnerships with Dutch governmental and semi-governmental institutions on negotiation chapters 23 (Judiciary and fundamental rights) and 24 (Justice, freedom and security) of the EU acquis. The programme also promotes closer ties between Dutch government institutions and their counterparts in the target countries, particularly by strengthening these countries' ties to the Netherlands and their appreciation of the Netherlands' 'strict and fair' approach to EU enlargement.

Objective of the project

The overall objective of this project is to enhance the effective management of asylum and migration in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Intended impact

The intended ultimate impact of the project is to increase access to a fair and efficient asylum procedure for asylum seekers and to enhance the treatment of illegal and legal migrants in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The project proposes an all-encompassing strategy targeting the various actors within the migration chain, both separately and jointly.

Project components

- Strengthening the capacities of the migration authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Enhancement of the capacities of NGOs in the field of asylum and migration and enhancement of the cooperation between the migration authorities and the NGOs
- Initiating a regional approach in asylum and migration issues

Result areas

- The process of admission, the identification of vulnerable groups and illegal migrants, and the referral of asylum seekers and illegal migrants to specialized counselling
- † The implementation in practice of relevant EU Directives in the field of asylum and migration
- Assisting the drafting of new legislation and regulations on asylum and migration
- Improving the cooperation between all partners in the BiH asylum and migration chain
- The understanding of the role and position in the asylum chain of the migration authorities and active NGOs
- 4 A regional meeting structure for discussion asylum and migration issues and trends

Activities

Main activities in the project will be trainings and workshops, seminars, advisory meetings and working meetings, on the job-coaching and a study visit to the Netherlands.

Implementation period

This joint Bosnia and Herzegovina and Dutch project has a duration of 24 months and runs from June 2014 until May 2016. The overall project budget is € 754.019.

Implementing partners

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