

# Information on SWAP assignment



# Establishing a sector approach in preaccession assistance

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# Terms of reference

## **Sector approach guidelines will include:**

- ☐ *Definition of sector approach in the enlargement context;*
- ☐ *Criteria (core elements) to identify sectors for IPA financing*
- ☐ *Prioritisation criteria for use in selection of sectors for IPA financing*
- ☐ *Implementation modalities*
- ☐ *Operational guidelines of the sector approach under the different management modes*
- ☐ *Specific elements for developing sector support programmes in core policy areas*



# Work-plan

**DESK PHASE**

**FIELD PHASE**

**SYNTHESIS PHASE**

**DISSEMINATION PHASE**

*Within the DG ELARG a  
Reference Group is established  
as the Project Steering Group*

- ☐ *Phone interviews with HOs in EUDs (June-July)*
- ☐ *1<sup>st</sup> Draft Guidelines (mid-July)*
- ☐ *2<sup>nd</sup> Draft Guidelines (start September)*
- ☐ *Finalisation of the Guidelines including templates (October)*
- ☐ *Training workshops (originally planned for November, now postponed to February 2013)*



# Key findings after desk phase

- ☐ *Need for flexibility in programming approach*
- ☐ *Definition of sectors*
- ☐ *DEVCO experience of SWAp*
- ☐ *Lessons learned from IPA Components III-V*
- ☐ *The need to establish a multi-annual perspective*
- ☐ *The identification and formulation phases  
(the need for better templates ...)*
- ☐ *Lack of necessary conditions for consistent programming*
- ☐ *Need for guidance and training for beneficiary institutions*



# Main conditions for sector programming

- ☐ ***Sector has accession relevance and identified as priority in strategic documents  
(Country Strategy Paper ...)***
- ☐ ***Predictable multi-annual funding from State budget  
(3 years ...)***
- ☐ ***Identification of a Line Ministry which is responsible for sector and develops the process***
- ☐ ***Monitoring is in place and operational***



# Possible implications of sector approach

- ☐ *The role of NIPACs may change*
- ☐ *The beneficiaries will need more time to prepare adequate multi-annual Sector Policy Documents*
- ☐ *The absorption capacity of lead ministries should be strengthened*
- ☐ *The main conditions for sector approach may not to be in place by 2014*
- ☐ *The role of EUD may change*



# Possible evolution of the sector approach

*Projects are identified against the Sector Fiche and prepared annually*

*Sectors are identified within a Strategy Country Paper and interventions are phased along a multiannual sector support programme as: sector support, project pipeline and facilities depending on funding arrangements and the administrative capacities of the beneficiary institutions involved*

**PRESENT**

**Basic Sector Approach**

**FUTURE**

**Development of (Multi)-Annual Sector Support Programmes**







# Partnership in sector programming

