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1. Steering Committee Activities

- Following the experts' meeting in Podgorica on 11-12 September 08, BiH legal and financial experts have decided that there are no legal or financial objections to the draft International Agreement on Institutionalisation of Regional School of Public Administration. Therefore, the legal procedure for the conclusion of this agreement has already been initiated by the International Legal Aid Department in the BiH Ministry of Justice.
- BiH SC member and Option B started logistical activities for the SC meeting that should be held in Sarajevo, on 5 November 08.

2. ReSPA Publications

- Two BiH contributions for the second regional ReSPA publication on Attractiveness of Civil Service are delivered to the co-ordinator for this task.
- The second contribution for the ReSPA electronic newsletter "Public Administration Reform in BiH: short overview" is delivered.
- One of the outcomes of the participation of BiH delegation at the Belgrade third annual ReSPA conference (23-24 September 08) is the publication of the "BiH Manual for Drafting Legislation, February 2006" on the ReSPA web site.
- The co-ordination activities pertaining to the preparation of the updated version of the Regional Training Needs continued. The draft methodology for the ReSPA regional TNA has been developed with contracted expert assistance, as well as the guidelines for the data collection and analysis. These tools have to be adopted by SC members.

3. ReSPA Events

- BiH SC member, substitute member and representative of BiH PARCO participated in the Third Annual Conference of ReSPA, held in Serbia, Belgrade on 23 and 24 September 2008. The conference is estimated as very successful, and the topic of the conference - badly managed stock turns out to be a regional problem that should be the topic of future seminars organized by ReSPA or its member countries.

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- Three (3) BiH participants recruited for the Seminar on Introduction to Public Finance Management organized jointly with the Centre for Excellence in Finance, CEF in Slovenia (13-17 October 2008), as well as for the Seminar on Law-drafting organized jointly with the German Federal Academy for Public administration in Bonn and Berlin (20 – 24 October and 10 – 14 November 2008).

4. Other Issues

- In order to prepare BiH co-ordinator for the production of TNA and to define all questions regarding TNA methodology and on-line survey, Mr. Harry List and Ms. Inga Stefanowicz announced their visit to Sarajevo at the beginning of October.
- Mr. Harry List, a representative of EIPA, has been engaged for the task of producing the TNA report and the 2009 Programme of Work proposals for the November SC meeting in Sarajevo.