

# Republic of Croatia

## From recipient towards a donor country

Tirana, Albania - 2 April 2009



## Building the effective donor coordination capacities at central level

Three key players in donor coordination:

- Ministry of Finance (MoF) - IFIs
- Central State Office for Development Strategy and Coordination of EU Funds (CODEF) – NAC/NIPAC, future Coordinating Body for Structural Funds
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration (MFAEI) – bilateral assistance

Facilitation of the coordination of the overall assistance:

- Government Coordination Group (GCG - from June 2004) – highly ranked officials (ministers, states secretaries etc.)
- Law on System of Managing EU pre-accession assistance programmes and other programmes and projects financed by other bilateral donors and international loans (2006)



## **Translation of the national development and EU integration strategy into the sectoral action plans**

- Strategic Development Framework (SDF) 2006 – 2013 – fully in line with the EU requirements
- Accompanied with the sectoral strategies & respective action plans
- Preparation of National Strategic Reference Framework (NSRF) is underway
- Development of the Operative Programmes (OPs) in progress

3

## **Sector based donor coordination**

- ECD initiative – endorsed by the CODEF
- Preparation for SF - meetings with donors on a sectoral level (special attention to investment projects)
- Sectoral Analysis & Monitoring procedures – tools for prevention of overlapping
- Preparation of NSRF - tight coordination of state administration, NGOs, EC services

4

## **Integrating external assistance into internal budgetary procedures &**

### **Public Financial Management and DIS**

- EA integrated into budgetary procedures and defined by the Budget Law
- Introduction of multiannual state budget
- DIS - February 2006 – system is fully functional (management, control)
- Roadmap to EDIS – requirements and benchmarks to be met
- Public Financial Control System successfully implemented
- Public Financial Control Act - 2006