



ACTION PLAN TO INTRODUCE THE PROGRAMME BASED APPROACH CONCEPT IN MACEDONIA

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The Action Plan to Introduce PBA in Macedonia

- Structured as a guiding document, it is based on international experience and knowledge tailored to the specific situation in Macedonia
- Translates the conceptual framework for introduction of PBA (Guiding Principles and What & How papers) into a specific and time-bound plan (with focus on necessary activities and preparations for 2009)

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PROGRAMME BASED APPROACH – WHAT& WHY

WHAT IS PBA:

- PBA IS A WAY OF ENGAGING IN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION BASED ON THE PRINCIPLE OF CO-ORDINATED SUPPORT FOR A NATIONALLY OWNED PROGRAMME OF DEVELOPMENT, SUCH AS A SECTOR OR THEMATIC PROGRAMME (*According to OECD/DAC*)
- IT IS A DYNAMIC AND DEVELOPING LONG-TERM PARTNERSHIP PROCESS BASED ON A NUMBER OF KEY PRINCIPLES, WHICH CAN BE APPLIED IN ANY AREA OF DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

WHY PBA:

- PBAs PROMOTE PRINCIPLES OF OWNERSHIP, ALIGNMENT, HARMONIZATION, MANAGING FOR DEVELOPMENT RESULTS AND MUTUAL ACCOUNTABILITY
- INCREASES IMPACT OF EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE, REDUCES TRANSACTION COSTS, STRENGTHENS OWNERSHIP OF THE RECEIPT GOVERNMENT

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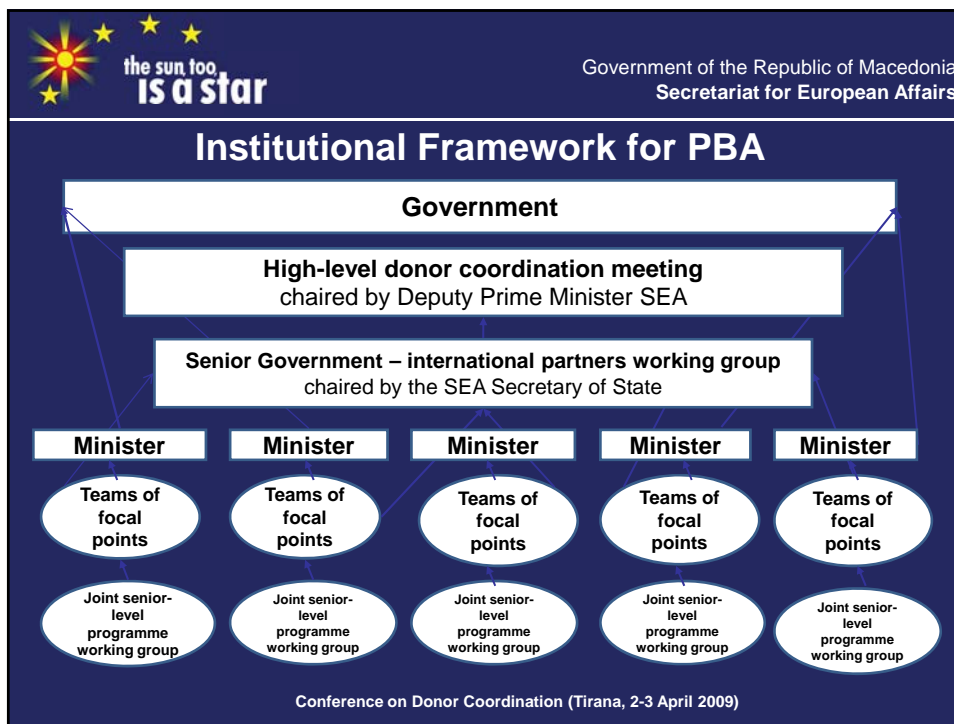



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Guiding Principles for Implementation of PBA in Macedonia

1. PBA implementation is based on international experience, tailored to country-specific circumstances
2. PBA implementation will be pursued in a pragmatic and realistic manner
3. PBA implementation reflects mutual commitment and accountability
4. PBA implementation is woven into the country's EU accession process where applicable
5. PBA implementation requires an effective and formalized structure for dialogue and coordination
6. PBA implementation focuses on results
7. PBA implementation systematically strengthens national programming and implementation capacity

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PROGRAMME AREA ASSESSMENT AND RESPECTIVE PBA IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

- **5 Proposed Priority Programme Areas**
 - Business Environment, Competitiveness, Innovation
 - Human Capital (Education, Social Policy, Health)
 - Agriculture
 - Environment
 - Governance (Public Administration, Decentralization, Regional Development, Justice and Home Affairs)
- **Template for quick and simple assessment to be undertaken for the five programme areas: (to be finalized by 31 March 2009)**
- **Based on the assessment, PBA Implementation Plan in the respective programme areas will be developed covering period until 2010 (to be finalized by 15 July 2009)**

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PRIORITY PROGRAMME AREAS FOR THE PBA

PROPOSED PRIORITY PROGRAMME AREAS FOR PBA	COMPRISING FOLLOWING SUB-SECTORS (ACCORDING TO OECD CLASSIFICATION)	NPAA COVERAGE (RELEVANT CHAPTERS)	ACTIVE DONORS/IFIs
BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT, COMPETITIVENESS, INNOVATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BUSINESS AND OTHERSERVICES •BANKING AND FINANCIAL SERVICES •INDUSTRY •TOURISM •TRADE POLICY AND REGULATIONS 	ECONOMIC CRITERIA, Chapters (1-10, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 24, 30, 32, 33)	Austria, Germany, United States of America, United Kingdom, Sweden, Switzerland, Netherlands, Norway, People's Republic of China, Japan, Greece, World Bank, IFC, EU - CARDS, UNDP, UNESCO, EU - IPA
HUMAN CAPITAL (EDUCATION, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •EDUCATION •HEALTH •OTHER SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES 	CONSUMER AND HEALTH PROTECTION (Chapter 28) SOCIAL POLICY AND EMPLOYMENT (Chapter 19) SCIENCE AND RESEARCH (Chapter 25) EDUCATION AND CULTURE (Chapter 26)	Austria, France, Greece, Netherlands, Switzerland, China, Japan, Norway, USA, EU, UNDP, UNICEF, OSCE, WB, WHO, Italy, Red Cross, UNESCO, Germany, Spain, UK, Sweden, Turkey, ILO;


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AGRICULTURE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •AGRICULTURE •FORESTRY •FISHING 	AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (Chapter 11) FOOD SAFETY VETERINARY AND PHYTOSANITARY POLICY (Chapter 12) FISHERIES (Chapter 13)	Sweden, Germany, United Kingdom, Switzerland, United States of America, EU - CARDS, EU funds, FAO, IFAD, World Bank, Turkey, Finland
ENVIRONMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION •WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION 	ENVIRONMENT (Chapter 27)	Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, EU, UNDP, EBRD, Sweden, United Kingdom, Italy, USA
GOVERNANCE	•GOVERNMENT AND CIVIL SOCIETY (focusing on: Public Administration, Justice and Home Affairs, Regional Development, Decentralization)	REGIONAL POLICY AND COORDINATION OF STRUCTURAL INSTRUMENTS (Chapter 22) JUDICIARY AND FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS (Chapter 23) JUSTICE, FREEDOM AND SECURITY (Chapter 24)	EU, United States of America, United Kingdom, Norway, Austria, UNDP, Sweden, Switzerland, Netherlands, World Bank, OSCE, France, Slovenia Germany,


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OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED TIME TABLE

By 16 March 2009	Finalize nomination of the respective focal points , the composition of the joint programme working groups and the entrustment of the political responsibility to the respective line Minister
By 31 March 2009	Develop a template for all five programmes
By 6-7 April	Workshop-Launching event for the working groups
By 15 July 2009	Finalize the “quick and simple” programme area assessments and the preparation of the respective indicative PBA implementation plans;

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OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED TIME TABLE

By July 2009	Regular monthly meetings of senior Government – international partners working group , chaired by the SEA Secretary of State with the respective programme area focal points
In early September 2009	Schedule a high-level donor coordination meeting , to be chaired by the Deputy Prime Minister SEA. The meeting will bring together the respective line ministers and their teams as well as the ambassadors and high-level representatives of the international partners;

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OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED TIME TABLE

Following September meeting	Regular quarterly meetings of the joint Government – international partners working group including the respective programme area focal points will take place. These meetings will prepare a quarterly stocktaking of PBA implementation progress , including highlighting possible implementation bottlenecks and suggested solutions;
On a quarterly basis	Stocktaking overviews discussed at a Government session;

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