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A Great interest for the Project Implementation Training and for the Project Preparation Event in Edirne

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The Joint Technical Secretariat-Branch Office in Edirne in cooperation with “Financial Cooperation Directorate”, Ministry for European Union Affairs (MEU), Republic of Turkey (National Authority) organized a unified one day event so-called “Project Implementation” Training for the Turkish grant beneficiaries under the 1st Call for Proposals and “Project Preparation” Event for the potential Turkish beneficiaries under the 2nd Call for Proposals under Bulgaria – Turkey IPA Cross-Border Programme on December 22, 2011 in Edirne, Turkey.

An ultimate objective of this event was to enhance the capability of the Turkish local and regional authorities, non-governmental organizations and business associations, cultural and educational institutions, etc. to develop and implement joint projects within the Programme.

124 potential applicants attended to the morning session where they had an opportunity to receive detailed information about preparation of their project proposals for the Second Call. After the welcoming speech of Dr. Ayhan Ozkan, Deputy Governor of Edirne, Mrs. Semiha Ozturk, Assistant EU Affairs Expert and Ms. Cigdem Donertas, Project Management expert of JTS Branch Office, had their presentations concerning the Programme rules and procedures. The session was closed after the questions and answers part.

In the afternoon session, together with the participation of 57 grant beneficiaries under the First Call, presenting the themes of sub-tendering procedures under PRAG rules and project financial management issues Mrs. Sebnem Sozer, EU Affairs Expert conducted training about project implementation. Following the discussions on the challenges encountered during the project implementation, individual questions of the participants have been answered by the experts from the Ministry and Joint Technical Secretariat/ Branch Office.

Following the sessions carried out during this unified event in Edirne, “Financial Cooperation Directorate”, and Ministry for European Union Affairs, Republic of Turkey (National Authority) and JTS/Branch Office will publish a list of FAQ on the official web-site of the Programme.



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