



INTERREG III B / CADSES (2000 – 2006)

Projekt IDEA-CITIES

Netzwerk für die Erprobung Integrierter Stadt- und Raumentwicklungsansätze
Network for Integrated Urban and Spatial Development Approaches

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Project title supplemented

In the first newsletter we have already informed you about the change of the project title from NET-IDEA to IDEA-CITIES. As a result of different discussions, it makes sense to examine the urban as well as the spatial planning level within the project. The project subtitle will be supplemented and will be from now on "Netzwerk für die Erprobung Integrierter Stadt- **und Raumentwicklungsansätze**" resp. "Network for Integrated Urban **and Spatial** Development Approaches". Please use these terms in future.

4th call in the CADSES region expected end of July

The 4th and last call for projects will presumably be started end of July 2005. Application deadline is 27 Oct 2005. Therefore, all documents and application forms have to be available by then. A decision about the selection of the approved projects is expected probably in February 2006.

Neighbourhood-Call

As mentioned in the first newsletter, the last call for projects in the CADSES Region will be carried out as so-called "Neighbourhood Call". Thereby those projects have better chances to be approved who integrate partners particularly from non EU member states as Ukraine, Romania and Bulgaria. We are in contact with potential partners from Romania and Bulgaria.

Should you also have contacts particularly to Romanian or Bulgarian municipalities, please ask them about a participation in the project and please contact us.

The partners from non EU states receive grants from the EU programmes TACIS and PHARE. There is a common application for this funding at the CADSES Secretary. Other than in the past procedure, there will be a common approval by the CADSES Secretary afterwards.

Lobby on national level necessary!

The chances for the approval of the project improve noticeably, if the respective representatives of the member states vote for the project in the steering committee. Please therefore contact your National CadsesContact Points (CCPs – see www.cadses.net/contact/contacts/ccp.html) as well as the representative of your state in the Steering Committee – see www.cadses.net/contact/contacts/sc.html and convince them of the necessity of our project.

A broad national consent is obligatory for the approval of the project!



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Financing

On the basis of the available financial means, the maximum EFRE-funding will be about 0.8 million €. That sum allows – depending on the funding rate – a project budget of 1 to 1.2 million €.

This amount is less than the intended project budget and can mean e.g. that for an equal number of project partners there will be less means for the single partners / tasks or – alternatively – the number of project partners has to be reduced to cover the expenses.

Furthermore, according to statements of the German CCP, at least 50% of the applied funds should be spent in the new EU member states. We therefore try to put a stronger emphasis on non-German project partners.

As repeatedly described, means from the Fund for “Support of trans-national cooperation” by the Federal Republic of Germany will be applied for. The decision about these means will take place in September 2005, presumably.

Partnerships

In the meantime you received our proposals for the partnerships. We think that these show a practicable approach and that you are now able to calculate the estimated costs on that basis. We are available for any queries, information and support.

Project structure and contents

We presented the project IDEA-CITIES to the German CadsesContactPoint (CCP) on 6 July 2005. Within this consultation it was suggested to stronger specify the contents of Work Package 3 and to introduce another Work Package dealing with the demonstrational implementation of the IUDCs. We have adopted this recommendation and envisage the following Work Packages:

- WP 1 Project Management (as hitherto)
- WP 2 Agency for Integrated Urban and Spatial Development (as hitherto)
- WP 3 Development of Integrated Urban and Spatial Development Concepts (new)
- WP 4 Demonstrational implementation of Integrated Urban and Spatial Development Concepts (new)
- WP 5 Scientific Concomitance and Monitoring (as yet WP 4).

Project Duration

The duration of the project should not exceed the first quarter of 2008. Until September 2008 all projects have to be completed and accounted. In this respect we schedule a project duration to 28 February 2008



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Meeting of the scientific partners

On 10 June 2005, a meeting of the scientific partners (University of Bayreuth and BTU Cottbus) took place to coordinate the tasks in WP 5 (as yet WP 4). From these partners as well, a bindingly statement of participation is expected until end of July. The University of Bayreuth checks a potential involvement of the University in Maribor.

In WP 5 the following activities are planned:

- Drafting of an expert's report about the status of the IUDCs
- Concomitance and Monitoring of the process
- trans-national report about the results of the IUDCs

www.idea-cities.net

The Website www.idea-cities.net is installed. Here you get all documents and information about the project.

Dates

27 July 2005 – Start of the 4th call

27 October 2005 – deadline for handing in the application documents

September: Kick-Off-Meeting in Belgrad

The next Newsletter presumably will appear in August 2005.

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