

SUBSTANTIVE REPORT

TITLE OF FUND: Secretary-General's Financing for Development Extra-Budgetary Trust Account

IMPLEMENTED BY: Financing for Development Office (FDPO) Department for Economic and Social Affairs

OBJECTIVES: To support the follow-up process to the International Conference on Financing for Development (Montreux, Mexico, 18-22 March 2002)

ACTIVITIES FUNDED:

- (a) Contractual services to Friedrich Ebert Foundation to organize multi-stakeholder consultations to examine issues related to the mobilization of resources for financing development and poverty eradication, with a special focus on "Financing access to basic utilities for all" (see FCV, paras. 102). *Associated expenditure: \$1,300,000*
- (b) GTA-reimbursement of income taxes to one staff member who was retained to organize two series of multi-stakeholder consultations on issues pertaining to (1) "Building an inclusive financial sector" and (2) "Strengthening the role of Sustained Development" (see FCV, paras. 102). *Associated expenditure: \$93,603.00*
- (c) (i) Consultants and expert groups. Salaries for three consultants (one expert on intergovernmental matters and two academic experts) to provide substantive support during the 61st session of the General Assembly; (ii) to undertake academic research on "FDPO in executive hands" and (iii) to write an academic paper for FDPO multi-stakeholder consultations on "Rethinking the role of National Development Banks" respectively (see FCV, paras. 5). (II) Travel of experts and consultants to consult with stakeholders on consultations on "Rethinking the Role of National Development Banks: Financing basic utilities for all" and "Strengthening the business sector and entrepreneurship in developing countries: the potential of diasporas" and related seminars and expert-groups (see FCV, paras. 8). *Associated expenditure: \$1,441,613.00*

- (d) Travel of staff to attend intergovernmental conferences, institutional and non-institutional stakeholder meetings, including civil society and private sector organizations which are of relevance to the Financing for Development process (see TOR, paras 4 & 8).
Associated expenditure: \$59,986.94
- (e) Travel of representatives to attend official posts, Montreux sessions and conferences, in particular the annual Special High-level Meeting with Bretton Woods institutions, WTO and UNCTAD (see TOR, paras 2 & 3).
Associated expenditure: \$24,660.00
- (f) Hospitality, money to organize a public reception during the second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters in Geneva (30 October - 4 November 2006) (see TOR, paras 7 and 8, and para 4). *Associated expenditure: \$2,000.00*

OUTPUTS:

The activities have served as inputs to the following outputs listed in the programme of work for the biennium 2006-2007:

- (a) Annual multi-stakeholder reports on follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development (D09050473);
Seminars and interactive discussions with the participation of Governments, institutional and non-institutional stakeholders (civil society and the private sector) on financing for development (D107222);
- (b) Annual multi-stakeholder reports on follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development (D09050473);
Regional seminars/workshops organized in cooperation with United Nations regional commissions (ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP and ESCWA) and regional development banks with the participation of representatives of relevant institutional and non-institutional stakeholders, on region-specific policy issues related to the implementation of the outcomes of CAHNSIS and its follow-up (C052218);
- (c) Seminars and interactive discussions with the participation of Governments, institutional and non-institutional stakeholders (civil society and the private sector) on financing for development (D107222).

- (d) (I) (i) Preparations for and outcome of the 2007 "High-level dialogue on financing for development" (D090694-97);
- (ii) Annual multi-stakeholder reports on follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development (D090664-65);
- Formal meetings, informal consultations and panel discussions of the Second Committee on the follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development and related issues (D140677);
- (iii) Annual multi-stakeholder reports on follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development (D090664-65);
- (II) Regional seminars/workshops, organized in cooperation with United Nations regional commissions (ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP and ESCWA) and regional development banks, with the participation of representatives of relevant institutional and non-institutional stakeholders on regional specific policy issues related to the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and its follow-up (G052318);
- Seminars and interactive discussions with the participation of Governments, institutional and non-institutional stakeholders (civil society and the private sector) on financing for development (S107079-82);
- (e) Annual multi-stakeholder reports on follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development (D090664-65);
- Formal meetings, informal consultations and panel discussions of the Second Committee on the follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development and related issues (D140677);
- Informal hearings of civil society and the business sector on financing for development (2007 - preparations for the "High-level dialogue on financing for development") (PBT19243);
- Seminars and interactive discussions with the participation of Governments, institutional and non-institutional stakeholders (civil society and the private sector) on financing for development (S107079-82);
- Regional seminars/workshops, organized in cooperation with United Nations regional commissions (ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP and ESCWA) and regional development banks with the participation of representatives of relevant institutional and non-institutional stakeholders on regional specific policy issues related to the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and its follow-up (G052318);
- (f) Formal meetings, informal consultations and panel discussions of the Second Committee on the follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development and related issues (D140677);
- Annual spring meetings of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and WTO on financing for development (D140677);
- Consultations between representatives of the Council and directors of executive boards of the World Bank, IMF & WTO on follow-up to the Monterrey Conference and preparations for annual spring meetings between those institutions (PBT10076);

Formal meetings, informal consultations and panel discussions of the Council on the follow-up efforts to the International Conference on Financing for Development and related issues within substantive sessions for 2006 and 2007 (PB116679);

* 2nd and 3rd sessions of the Committee and meetings of its Steering Group (PB116691).

- (g) Reports on the work of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters at its 2nd and 3rd sessions (D090090-91).