

EU-Central Asia enhanced regional cooperation on Environment, Climate Change and Water

What would be the concept for a Regional Center of Excellence / Advisory Facility for Project Design, Financing, and Public-Private Partnership (PPP) in CA

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Why a Regional Center of Excellence?

... for project design, financing and PPP:

A Regional Center of Excellence is

▶ to build capacity in public authorities in their dealings with IFIs in preparation, procurement and implementation of infrastructure projects, notably through public-private partnership (PPP).

Why a PPP project preparation facility?

- An acceleration in infrastructure investment is fundamental to address gaps with stronger attention to the sustainability of infrastructure investments and their quality
- Involving the private sector in the delivery of infrastructure services is necessary
- Achieving sufficient investment volumes to fill the infrastructure gap will therefore require greater involvement of the private sector in the delivery of infrastructure services
- Factors that are hampering the involvement of the private sector in infrastructure investment are:
 - limited PPP expertise;
 - weak legal and financial frameworks; and
 - ▶ limited capacity and insufficient resources available for PPP project preparation.
- Countries still have material difficulties in putting together pipelines of bankable PPP projects, with the high costs and complexity of preparing PPPs often representing an insuperable obstacle for their procuring authorities.

Based on the example of MED 5P?

- ▶ MED 5P (Public-Private Partnership Project Preparation) is an advisory facility created to support public authorities in Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco and Tunisia in the preparation, procurement and implementation of PPP infrastructure projects.
- MED 5P support includes:
 - grants to fund the technical, legal and financial consultancies required to develop, structure and procure an individual PPP project; and
 - technical support for procurement and the supervision of the consultancies funded by MED 5P grants
- ▶ The facility is expected to produce a demonstration effect and promote wider and more efficient usage of PPP schemes for the implementation of infrastructure investments in the region.
- MED 5P is a joint initiative under the Neighbourhood Investment Facility (NIF) led by the European Investment Bank (EIB), in collaboration with the other MED 5P partner organisations: Agence Française de Développement (AFD), the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau Bankengruppe (KfW).
- The European PPP Expertise Centre (EPEC) is a EU initiative involving the EIB, the European Commission and European Union Member States and Candidate Countries (in 2016: 69 PPP transactions for an aggregate value of EUR 12 billion).



Thank you for your feedback

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