



EU-RRK III Project Update

EU Return and Reintegration in Kosovo phase III (EU-RRK III) project represents an action grant from the European Union managed by the European Union Office in Kosovo and awarded to the International Organization for Migration (IOM) for implementation.

Project Duration:

- ▶ 30 months, starting date – 1 November 2011 and ending on 31 October 2014;

Geographic Coverage:

- ▶ The project targeted the minority IDPs, IIDPs and refugees in 5 municipalities of Kosovo including municipalities of Novobërdë/Novo Brdo, Partesh/Partes, Shtërpçë/Strpce, Prizren/Prizren and Suharekë/Suva Reka.

Project Partners:

- ▶ APPK (Agency for Promotion of Employment in Kosovo) (concluded their activity on 31 April 2014)
- ▶ DT (Developing Together 31st October 2014),
- ▶ CPT (Center for Peace and Tolerance) (concluded their activity on 31 April 2014)

Beneficiaries:

- ▶ Total: **210 families** supported under the auspices of the EU-RRK III project;
- ▶ **Family members:** 944 family members supported; **Ethnicity breakdown:** Albanian: 3; Serb: 187, Bosniac: 18, Roma: 2; **Gender balance:** Male: 162, Female: 47; IDP – 158, IIDP – 45, Returnees - 4.
- ▶ **Housing (re)construction:** 210 houses completed and handed over to beneficiaries;

General Achievements

Support to the Ministry of Communities and Returns

- Two experts provided to MCR to strengthen skills in Project Management and Monitoring.
- PST Training; 30 MCR staff members participated actively in the training organized by the project partner APPK in October 2012, to strengthen capacities in use of advanced computer programs for project purposes and project monitoring advanced tools and skills.
- Three laptops and two photo cameras delivered to MCR as part of the capacity development activities.

Infrastructure projects

- 9 infrastructure projects as a balancing component to support returns and receiving communities were implemented.

Harmonized assistance

- Harmonized assistance packages (furniture, food, and non-food) have been delivered to 177 beneficiary families who qualified for the assistance, including beneficiary families supported by MCR also.
- 125 beneficiaries received firewood assistance through the project after being found eligible.

Socio-economic and Income Generation assistance



- Up to date 159 Income Generation Packages have been delivered to beneficiaries, including the packages delivered through ASB and DRC Serbia as part of synergies between the EU funded projects.
- Out of 159 Income Generation Packages delivered 13 beneficiaries were supported with job placements, and the remaining received the required equipment for income generation.

Training of women and youth

- Training to women and youth with support of MOCRs was successfully implemented throughout the project by our local partner Center for Peace and Tolerance (CPT) to identify needs/projects of the women and youth beneficiaries. Overall total of beneficiaries trained is up to 80 participants.

Women and Youth projects

- Community projects are meant to support initiatives of integration in the returnee and receiving communities. Out of the 33 project ideas, eight community projects were implemented through project partner CPT.

Working meetings of MRTFs, MWGs and LAGs

- 75 working meetings in the MRTFs, 22MWGs and 7 LAGs were organized. In these meetings, proposals for potential beneficiaries and infrastructure projects are approved and forwarded for final approval at the EU-RRK III PSC.

Go-and-Inform and Go-and-See Visits

- There were eleven GIV organized in Serbia and two GSV for potential beneficiaries from Serbia to Kosovo.

In country and cross border transportation

- In – country and cross-border transportation was readily available for all the beneficiaries and two cases were supported.

