Project Summary

EU financial assistance to Turkey comprises approximately 121 pre-accession and MEDA projects with total EU funding of approximately €1.049 billion until 2007. While project monitoring was the responsibility of the Turkish authorities, the interim evaluation was carried out by a Consultant on behalf of the Commission Services.

Overall Objective
The overall objective of interim evaluation in Turkey is to promote the efficient and effective use of pre-accession funds in Turkey.

Contract Objective
To provide the parties involved with a regular and timely flow of pertinent and accurate information about on-going implementation activities, results, and potential problems.

Evaluation Activities
Activities included the establishment of the Interim Evaluation Service and system, the various interim evaluations, the dialogue with and training of the Turkish authorities:
- Installation and management the evaluation system and Evaluation Service
- Interim evaluations as a participatory process
- Interim evaluation reports
- Quality control of reports incl. review by stakeholders
- Annual country summary, and thematic evaluation reports
- Project website

Personnel
The Interim Evaluation Team consists of

Services provided

Establishment of Country Office and Infrastructure
- Start-up meeting and information seminar for all EU and Turkish stakeholders
- Installation of Communication and IT-system
- Development and introduction of Quality Control System
- Work plan and 6-monthly reviews

Monitoring missions
- Preparation of a work plan for the monitoring missions
- Analysis of documents followed by field trips
- Ratings and comments according to the evaluation criteria
- Summarizing of findings into standards reports (entered into the database)
- About 100 monitoring missions according to ROM internal manual

Monitoring reports
- More than 100 monitoring reports and Background Conclusion Sheets (BCS)
- Interim evaluation reports per year covering several monitoring sectors
- Thematic evaluations
- Preparation of special reports upon request
- Dissemination and uploading of the reports onto the MIS database

Feedback and methodology
- Organisation of presentations, seminars/workshops in the region
- Communication of best practices, including recommendations/ conclusions

Information and Capacity Building
- Inauguration seminar for all EU and Turkish stakeholders
- 8 Appreciation Workshops for Turkish ministerial decision makers
- 8 Training Seminars for Turkish monitors from line Ministries
- Refresher courses for Turkish managers after their first report

Turkey

Interim evaluation service for the pre-accession programme

Client
European Commission

Duration
01.02.2003 – 30.04.2007

Personnel
- 1 EU LTE as team leader
- 1 EU LTE as evaluator
- 3 LTE as national evaluators
- 40 PM national and international STEs