Project Summary

Result-Oriented monitoring (ROM) consists of external examinations and captures the actual progress towards the results and impact of interventions of the EC pre-accession cooperation. The system provides a regular reporting mechanism to ensure that projects remain on course.

The monitoring activities cover projects of the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA) from 2007 onwards in the following areas: Political Criteria; Justice, Liberty and Security; Civil Society Development and Dialogue; Internal Market, Customs Union; Public Finance, Statistics & APS; Environment; Regional Development, Energy and Transport; Social Policy and Employment; Agriculture and Rural Development.

The Turkish authorities have pledged to internalise the monitoring task of the IPA I portfolio in 2013 to be eligible for the extended decentralised implementations system (DIS). The current project has therefore a strong emphasis on capacity building for the Ministry for EU Affairs (MEU) and adaption of the ROM instrument in order to be adequately applied in Turkey.

Overall objective
To maintain and, where possible, improve the quality of pre-accession co-operation activities through timely, independent, well-targeted information on implementation.

Contract purpose:
To assist the Turkish authorities and in particular the MEU and the CFCU in applying the ROM approach to the monitoring of EU funded projects (2007 onwards) in Turkey falling under Component I of IPA.

Project results:
- Formal and on the job training to MEU and CFCU staff in ROM
- Monitoring reports and Background Conclusion Sheets (BCS) for 130 projects
- Special reports including synthesis/analysis of ROM results either geographically or by sector, as well as recommendations
- Findings and conclusions presented in short seminars/workshops to stakeholders
- Ensure early feedback from the implementation to subsequent design, in advance of conclusions from possible ex-post evaluation.

Services provided

Development of a ROM methodology for Turkey IPA I structures
- Adaption of the ROM approach and methodologies towards the IPA monitoring set-up
- Development of a Handbook for Monitors, serving the staff of the MEU and being complementary of the NIPAC manual (National Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance Coordinator)
- Develop operational and quality guidelines for MEU future monitoring task
- Set-up of the MIS database and support towards improvement of the database
- Organisation of presentations, annual seminars/workshops, presentation of the monitoring findings to the IPA Sector Monitoring Committees
- Communication of best practices, including recommendations/conclusions.

Capacity building
- Formal and on the job training to MEU and CFCU staff in ROM
- Strengthening of national monitoring capacities with the aid of new monitors
- Advice the MEU management on the adequate use of monitoring of EU-TR IPA I portfolio
- Develop a “road map” for monitoring and oversight services conducted by the MEU

Joint Monitoring missions with MEU
- Preparation of a work plan for the monitoring of 130 projects.
- Analysis of documents followed by field trips; ratings and comments according to the criteria; summary findings into standards reports which are entered into a MIS database.
- About 130 monitoring missions according to ROM internal manual.

Monitoring reports
- 130 monitoring reports and Background Conclusion Sheets (BCS).
- Preparation of special reports (synthesis, by region etc.) upon request.
- Dissemination and uploading of the reports onto the MIS database.