

giz ACCESS-PROGRAM "ENHANCING SERBIA'S QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE"

Support to
Ministry of Economy and Regional Development (MoERD)
towards
"GOVERNMENTAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY
FOR QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE"

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Introduction

MoERD is in charge to lead the process of the development of the "National Quality Infrastructure" strategy with significant emphasis on participation of MoATFW and other relevant Ministries. MoERD highlights the importance of a module-structured support which leads to a "step by step" establishment of an overall NQI Strategy, adequate for governmental approval and later implementation. Beside the Strategy as the main goal several support measures to major QI institutions are part of the project.

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ACCESS program at a glance:

- Finance source: German Federal Ministry of Cooperation (BMZ)
- Program volume phase 1: 4.7 Mio €
Partner program PTB phase 1: 0.25 Mio €
- Overall duration: 3 phases, 2011-2019 (PTB 2011-2016)
- Phase 1: 2011-2013
- Phase 2: 2014-2016
- Phase 3: 2017-2019
- 4 components
- 4 sectors
- Coverage: all Serbia

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program objective:
„Conditions for enhanced competitiveness of Serbian SMEs on regional and EU internal markets have improved.“

⇒ **A functional Quality Infrastructure is a pre-condition**

The program covers all of Serbia and consists of four interlinked components:

1. Business and investment climate (BIC),
2. Development of innovation systems (IS),
3. Promotion of quality infrastructure (NQI),
4. Absorption capacity for EU programmes.

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Program sectors:

- ICT sector
- organic-agriculture
- Energy efficiency related products and services
- Mechanical engineering, machinery

Exception: QI component addresses sectors where serbian directives are in place or QI relevance is obvious

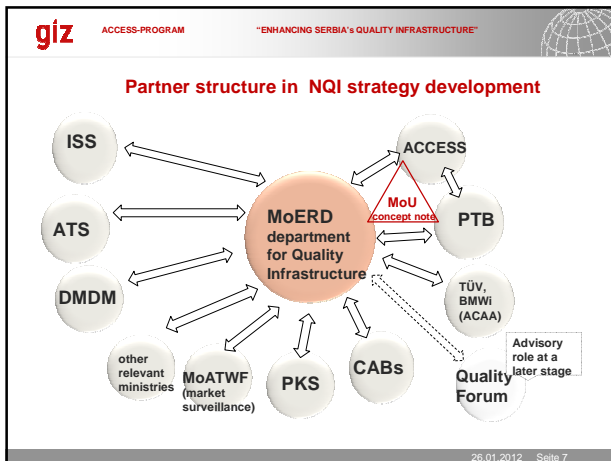
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program- structure

Links with other GIZ (Energy Efficiency, KWD, Vocational Education, Legal Reform etc.) and international projects

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Project Approach:

MoU and „concept note“:

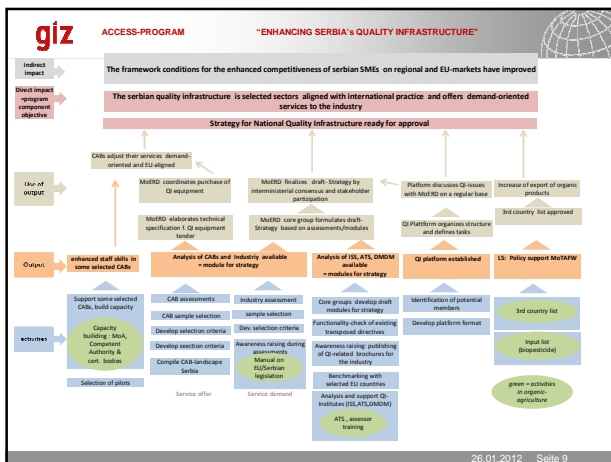
⇒ defines partner activities between MoERD, GIZ-ACCESS and PTB

Twofold approach:

⇒ strategy-related assessments and analysis

⇒ support-related activities with major QI- Institutions prior and during elaborating of strategy, jointly agreed upon

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NQI Strategy - related activities

- Analysis of industry needs with regard to conformity assessment (demand side)
- Analysis of CABs capacity in implementation of the new technical legislation (provider side)
- Assessment of the NQI Institutions DMDM, ATS and ISS
- Analysis of functionality of a new system of NQI
- Benchmarking of NQI with EU countries
- Building of an advisory "Quality Forum/Platform"
- Awareness activities, publications
- Transposition of MID, NAWI and Pre-packages Directives
- Preparation for ACAA negotiation process

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Support - related activities to NQI Institutions (shared tasks: PTB, GIZ-ACCESS)

- Support to the Serbian Accreditation Body "ATS"
- Support to the Serbian Metrology Institute "DMDM"
- Support to the Serbian Standard Institute "ISS"
- Support to selected CABs

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Support to the Serbian Accreditation Body "ATS"

- Training for ATS staff and assessors on the accreditation of CABs for notification purposes (notified bodies) for specific New Approach Directives (according to EA 2/7 guide);
- Training on revised ISO/IEC 17021 (accreditation of certification bodies)
- Awareness raising on accreditation issues and role of accreditation regarding implementation of Regulation 765/2008;
- Study Tour to Germany (National Accreditation Body, notified bodies and notifying authority.)

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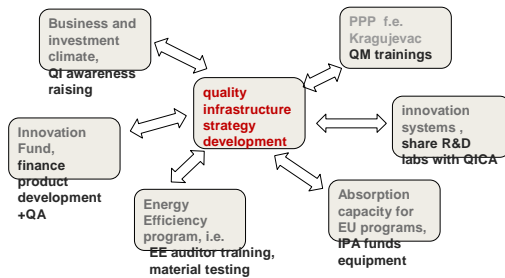
Support to the Serbian Metrology Institute "DMDM"

- Development of strategic document in the field of metrology (effective national metrology structure, strategic analysis and plans, with particular attention on DMDM strategy and development)
- Strengthening of metrology supervision (organization of metrology supervision, procedures/legal metrology, practical examples, exercises, risk analysis)
- Implementation of directives MID, NAWI and pre-packages (guidelines for certain kind of measuring instruments, conformity assessment procedures for different modules such as type approval and verification and management systems, hands-on-training)

Support to the Serbian Standard Institute "ISS"

- Establishing a seminar- and training- department within ISS on a sustainable commercial basis
- Training of Trainers for the training-department
- Support on the adoption of pure national standards (fields not covered by the European standards), as well as the development of national annexes to the European standards
- Support on marketing, promotion and sales
- Support on active participation at European organizations for standardization (CEN, CENELEC), achieve compatibility with their rules and procedures. Training in order to enable the ISS to fulfil all conditions for full membership within European organizations for standardization.

Possible linkages and impacts during strategy development, with other GIZ programs, GIZ-PPPs and partners



Non - industrial NQI : (organic agriculture)

Activities in order to enhance the national quality infrastructure also in the non-industrial sector i.e. "organic farming":

- Participation in national action-plan for organic farming
- the qualification of ATS staff will be continued. During the application process ATS will be supported in establishing of the necessary assessment reports.
- Objective: to get on the equivalency-list, control bodies according to Article 33 of the EU Reg. 834/2007.
- Method: joined audits with the ATS inspectors shall be performed at the Serbian control bodies (office and witness audits).

Thank you for your attention