



NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE

HIV/AIDS Expert Group

Project Information

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Project status in March, 2009

- 21 projects ongoing
- 8 project proposals
- 16 projects completed



Projects with active participation or close contact of the Group in March 2009

1. "Controlling the spread of HIV/AIDS in the Barents and Northern Dimension Partnership Programme Regions, Phase II" (2008-2010) Coordination of the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme and support to EG on HIV/AIDS for the ND partnership. Coordination: THL, Finland. Approximate budget - 600 000 EUR (3 years). Financier: Finnish Government. (*Financing for 2009 from the NDPHS pipeline.*)
2. "Further Development of Low Threshold Services in Murmansk and Kantalahti". (2008-2010) Pilot project of the above mentioned programme. Coordination: THL and Murmansk Regional AIDS Centre. Approximate budget 300 000 EUR (3 years). Financier: Finland



3. "Prevention of HIV infection in the Republic of Karelia in 2007–2009". Coordination: THL and Republican AIDS Centre. Approximate budget 300 000 EURO (3 years). Financier: Finland
4. "Psychological and social support to HIV infected women in Leningrad Oblast 2007–2009". Coordination: THL and Leningrad Regional AIDS Centre. Approximate budget 300 000 EURO (3 years). Financier: Finland
5. Expanding Network for Coordinated and Comprehensive actions on HIV/AIDS Prevention among IDUs and Bridging Population (ENCAP, Development of Low Threshold Centre activities in the Region). Coordination: Latvia. Approximate budget 1.3 ME. Financers: EU, National governments. Time frame July 2006 – July 2009.



6. Strengthening of inter-sectoral action to fight drug abuse and drug related harm in Murmansk Region 2008 – 2009. Coordination: THL, Finland. Approximate budget 178 000 EUR. *Financed from the NDPHS project pipeline.*
7. TB/HIV collaboration in Murmansk. Project planning phase 2009. Coordination: FILHA. Financed by Finland
8. Research project "Governance of HIV/AIDS prevention in North-West Russia". Coordination: Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research. Financier: Norway; Additional component of the project is financed by Finland



9. European MSM Internet survey on knowledge, attitudes and behaviour as to HIV and STI.
Coordination Germany.



Projects under the umbrella of the EG (Norwegian-Russian)

1. “Cross action between STI Clinic in Archangelsk and Olafia Clinic in Oslo”. Coordination: Norway. Approximate budget: 279 000 NOK. Financier: Norway
2. “Only for you”, the ConTact Bus- Murmansk Region. Coordination: Norway and Murmansk Regional AIDS Centre. Approximate Budget 34 700 USD
3. “The Clinton HIV/AIDS initiative and Russia. Exchange of Russian and Norwegian clinicians”. Coordination: Norway.



4. Hospital and home-based palliative care to people living with HIV/AIDS in St. Petersburg" Coordination: Norwegian Church Aid. NOK 350 000 granted in 2008.
5. "Prevention and Management of HIV/AIDS and Opportunistic Infections in North-West Russia with particular focus on Capacity and and Capability Building of Partner Consortium and local Government." Norwegian Church Aid. Appr. Budget 520 000 NOK. Financier: Norway
6. "Vera". Development of international network of interaction between organisations dealing with women and adolescents, involved in commercial sex business and trafficking victims. Coordination: Stellit, Russia. Approximate budget 549 000 NOK.



7. “HIV: to be aware means to live” . Coordination:
Norwegian Church Aid and NGO Rassvet.
Approximate budget 250 000 NOK.
8. Youth peer education in Archangelsk related to
HIV, STI and communication skills. Budget 207
000 NOK for 2008 and 125 000 NOK for 2009.



Recommendations from the monitoring of the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme

Based on information shared by all regions

1. Main focus on prevention
2. Clear need for capacity building in programme planning and management
3. Develop peer groups in psychological issues, in stigma and general attitudes



Recommendations from the monitoring of the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme 2

4. More exchange of experiences between foreign and Russian experts from neighbouring areas (study visits, round table discussions, seminars, joint publications etc.)
5. Study visits for GPs and GP Teams to get ideas about comprehensive approaches in arranging services



Recommendations from the monitoring of the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme 3

6. Active identification of other foreign organisations and projects working in the same field and their inclusion under the Barents umbrella
7. Identification of relevant local NGOs and ADCs to join forces for developing closer contacts with penitentiary system



Recommendations from the monitoring of the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme 4

8. Collect the stories of the development of AIDS Centres and their activities as best practices with creation of guidelines and disseminate them to other regions
9. Closer cooperation with TB activities is necessary



Recommendations from the monitoring of the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme 5

10. Support local AIDS Centres in developing studies for continuous monitoring of the actual HIV-AIDS-TB-IDU situation
11. Identify volunteers to visit e.g. schools and other relevant institutions to provide education and information about HIV and related issues
12. Organise regular informal management meetings with the Programme Coordinator and Local Directors of the Programme activities and/or AIDS Centres for practical planning and implementation matters



Projects involving Sweden

- “HIV/STI and Drug preventive efforts in Murmansk, Archangelsk and Karelia”.
Coordination: Sweden - Noaks Ark Barents.
Approximate budget – SEK 980 000
- Quality assurance and synchronization of the STI/HIV control and prevention in Russia.
Coordination: Uppsala University, Sweden;
Central Research Institute for Skin and Venereal Diseases, Russia. Project region: Leningrad Oblast, Russia.



Other projects

- Scaling up treatment and care for HIV/AIDS and TB and accelerating prevention within the health system in the Baltic States" WHO/ EURO. Approximate budget: 15 000 EUR
- HIV/AIDS prevention and care among injecting drug users and in prison settings in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Approximate budget 5,000,000 USD. Financier: UNODC



List of projects under consideration

1. DanChurchAid "Prevention and Management of HIV/AIDS and Opportunistic Infections in North-West Russia". Project proposal. Partially financed. Financers: Danish sources, Norway. Applied from Finland (prevention activities component)
2. Strengthening and integrating intersectoral HIV prevention efforts in Central Europe. Coordination: Poland. Project proposal



Projects under consideration 2

3. Narva – Ivangorod – prevention of HIV among drug users. Project idea. Waiting for further development.
4. Development of low threshold services in Leningrad Oblast. Project idea. Waiting for further development.
5. Enhancing HIV/AIDS reporting in the Republic of Karelia through training of media professionals. Applied from Finland (*delayed*)



Projects under consideration 3

6. Actions against spreading of HIV/Aids and tuberculosis among vulnerable groups in Kaliningrad and other parts of NW Russia. Coordination: Aids Centre and TB Dispensary of Kaliningrad, Information office of NCM in Kaliningrad. Applied from NCM. Approximate budget 1,5 million DKK.
7. HIV prevention among women of reproductive age in the Republic of Karelia. Coordination: Republican Aids Centre and THL, Finland. Project idea, will be applied from Finland.
8. Youth peer education in Archangelsk. Project idea by the Aids Centre of the Archangelsk Region.



Completed projects

1. “Territory of Life. Mobile unit work for prevention of HIV in Murmansk Region” Coordination: Norwegian Institute of Public Health. Approximate budget – 270 000 NOK. Financier: Norway
2. Education program for pedagogical personnel and health specialists in the field of healthy lifestyles and prevention of HIV/AIDS and drug addiction. Coordination: Norwegian Church Aid. Approximate budget 257 000 NOK. Financier: Norway.
3. Youth peer education in Murmansk related to HIV, STI and communication skills. Coordination: Pertinax Group, Norway. Approximate budget 207 000 NOK. Financier: Norway.
4. “Love your neighbour”, Archangelsk Region. Coordination: Norwegian Church Aid and NGO Rassvet. Approximate budget 330 000 NOK. Financier: Norway.



Completed projects 2

5. Assistance in development of palliative aid in Archangelsk Region. Coordination: Norwegian Church Aid and NGO Rassvet. Approximate budget 214 000 NOK. Financier: Norway.
6. Educational project “New view”. Coordination: Norwegian Sami Mission and “New Beginning”, Murmansk Region. Grant NOK 250 000 in 2008
7. "AIDS Alarm in North-West Russia". Coordination: Norway. Approximate budget NOK 151 000. Financer: Norway
8. "Sexual and reproductive Health of Adolescents in Northwestern Russia" Coordination: Sweden, RFSU. Approximate budget - SEK 16 091 000 (1997–2007)



Completed projects 3

9. “Workshop of workers in LTC sites for IDUs”. Coordination: National Public Health Institute, Finland. Approximate budget- 20 000 EURO. Financier: Finland
10. Activate patients at Murmansk Municipal HIV/AIDS Centre". Coordination: Norway. Approximate budget NOK 16 000. Financier: Norway
11. Controlling the spread of HIV/AIDS in the Barents and Northern Dimension Partnership Programme regions in 2005-2007. Coordination: STAKES, Finland. Budget 692 734 EUR. Financier: Finland.



Completed projects 4

12. "Development of Low Threshold Support Centre in Murmansk region". Pilot project of the above mentioned programme. Coordination: STAKES, Finland. Budget 247 905 EUR. Financier: Finland
13. "The Bus" for Republican AIDS Centre, Petrozavodsk. Approximate budget 250 000 NOK. Financier: Norway (Humanitarian Fund of Crown Prince Haakon and Crown Princess Mette-Maarit)



Completed projects 5

14. Empowerment of Self-help groups in St. Petersburg. Creation of a forum for self-help organizations for HIV+ in St. Petersburg”. Coordination: Norway. Approximate budget NOK 550 000. Financier: Norway
15. Youth peer education in St. Petersburg, related to HIV/AIDS, narcomania and life style”. Coordination: Norway. Approximate budget: 45 000 NOK. Financer: Norway
16. The ConTact Bus – Arkhangelsk Region”. Coordination: Norway and Archangelsk Regional AIDS Centre. Approximate Budget: 280 000 NOK



Financing possibilities

EU Health Programme

www.ecdc.europa.eu

- dead-line for proposals: 20 May

Baltic Sea Region Programme 2007 - 2013

<http://eu.baltic.net>

- Second call for proposals dl 30 March

Norwegian bilateral funds

Finnish bilateral funds

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