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# **Future possibilities for cooperation within Northern Dimension area: Funding opportunities and instruments**

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## Funding opportunities – do they exist?

- Global Fund projects phased out in Russia, Russia became a donor
- USAID, UNICEF and UNDP are withdrawing from Russia
- Finland is phasing out the bilateral financing for collaboration with neighboring areas in the end of 2012
- Sweden phased out the bilateral collaboration with Russia already earlier
- Etc.



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# Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being (NDPHS)

- Established in 2003
- Ten governments, the European Commission and eight international organisations
- Does not have its own funding source
- Project pipeline

<http://www.ndphs.org/?pipeline>



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# NDPHS Project pipeline

## -Norwegian Ministry of Health and Care Services

- call for proposals twice a year
- latest call for proposals was closed 17 October; 9 million NOK (approx 1,2 MEUR); approx 108 000 EUR max per project
- Norwegian – Russian projects



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## NDPHS Project pipeline 2

-information on other sources of funding

[http://www.ndphs.org/?pipeline,page,non-pipeline\\_agencies](http://www.ndphs.org/?pipeline,page,non-pipeline_agencies) (the page will be updated in the end of 2012)



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# Swedish Institute

- Baltic Sea Region cooperation, implementation of EUSBSR
- **Seed funding**
  - Max 440 000 SEK (approx 50 000 EUR)
  - Applicant must be a Swedish organisation
  - Priorities in 2012 include among others: Social issues and health – infectious diseases, resistance to antibiotics and the development of health care systems, including primary care.
  - <http://www.si.se/English/Navigation/Baltic-Sea-Cooperation/>



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# Nordic Council of Ministers

- NGO Programme
- Guidelines for the NCM cooperation with North-West Russia 2009-2013
  - Key themes for collaboration include: “The Northern Dimension's partnerships – especially the Partnership for Public Health and Social Well-being, with a particular focus on combating human trafficking and the spread of HIV/AIDS”



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# Nordic Council of Ministers 2

- NCM Information Office in St. Petersburg

<http://www.norden.ru>

- NCM Information Office in Kaliningrad

<http://www.norden39.ru>





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# EU financing ENPI CBC 2007 - 2013

- ENPI CBC Kolarctic Programme  
<http://www.kolarcticenpi.info/en>
- ENPI CBC Karelia Programme  
[www.kareliaenpi.eu](http://www.kareliaenpi.eu)
- ENPI CBC South-East Finland – Russia Programme  
<http://www.southeastfinrusnpi.fi>



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## ENPI CBC 2007 – 2013 (2)

- ENPI CBC Estonia – Latvia – Russia Programme [www.estlatrus.eu](http://www.estlatrus.eu)
- ENPI CBC Lithuania – Poland – Russia Programme <http://www.lt-pl-ru.eu>



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# EU financing

## Executive Agency for Health and Consumers

- Health Programme 2008 – 2013
  - operating grants
  - grants for projects
  - grants for conferences
  - an example: TUBIDU project, lead by National Institute for Health Development, Estonia



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# **EU financing**

## **Executive Agency for Health and Consumers**

- New financing period 2014 – 2020

<http://ec.europa.eu/eahc>



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# EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

The NDPHS proposals included in the EUSBSR Action Plan

Health included as a part of the Priority Area 12 aimed to maintain and reinforce attractiveness of the Baltic Sea Region

→ Health will be an independent Priority Area in the revised Strategy

- NDPHS accepted the Lead Partner role for health priority sub-area
- Three main health-related priority actions:
  - (i) **Contain the spread of HIV/AIDS and tuberculosis**
  - (ii) Fight health inequalities through the improvement of primary healthcare
  - (iii) Prevent lifestyle-related non-communicable diseases and ensure good social and work environments by developing comprehensive policies and actions in the entire region to prevent and minimise harm from tobacco smoking, alcohol and drugs use to individuals, families and society (especially young people)



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# European Commission's funding for EUSBSR implementation

- Seed money facility
  - A new facility which will be opened in 2013
  - Support to projects with total budget between 30,000 – 50,000 EUR
  - 10% own input
  - Minimum three partners from three EU Baltic Sea Region countries
  - Kick-off in early 2013 – more information then <http://www.balticsea-region-strategy.eu>



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# ENPI Regional East Indicative Programme 2010 - 2013

- Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Ukraine, Moldova
- Russia (EU Delegation to Russia)
- Small-scale funding to support NDPHS priorities

# Other financing sources?

- Ministry of Health and Social Development of Russian Federation together with NDPHS has submitted a list of projects proposed to be implemented within EU-Russia cooperation in the Baltic region
- Russian financing?
- Others?



# NDPHS Goals for the HIV/AIDS & AI Expert Group

➤ **Goal 2: Prevention of HIV/AIDS and Associated Infections in the ND-area has improved**

**Goal 3: Social and health care for HIV infected individuals in the ND area is integrated**



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# Tasks of the EG HIV/AIDS & AI

Aiming at impacts and added value through

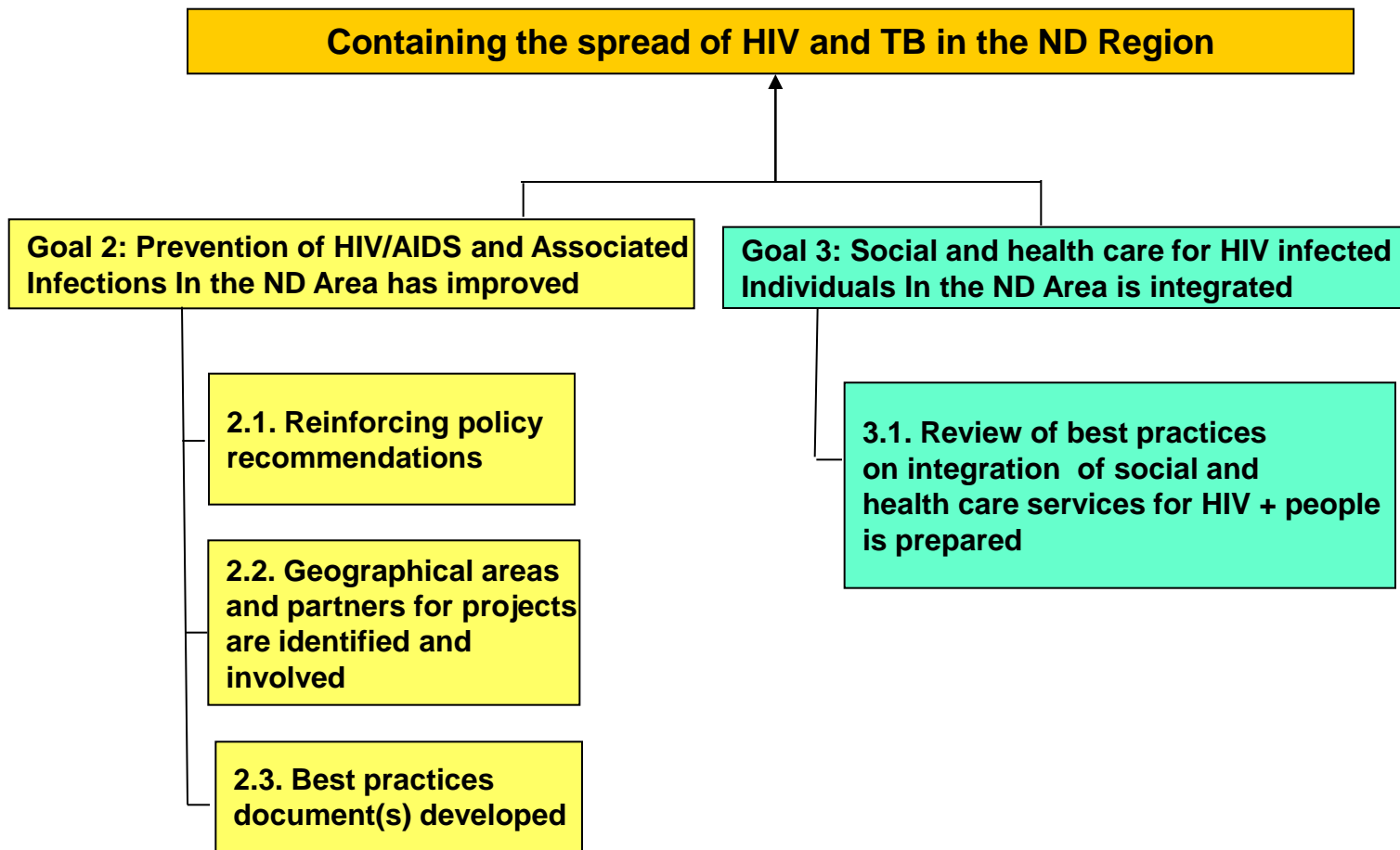
- **Advocacy**
- **Project facilitation:** support to project identification, planning, looking for partners, provision of information about funding etc
- Developing and sharing of **information** etc.
- **NOT** an implementing organization

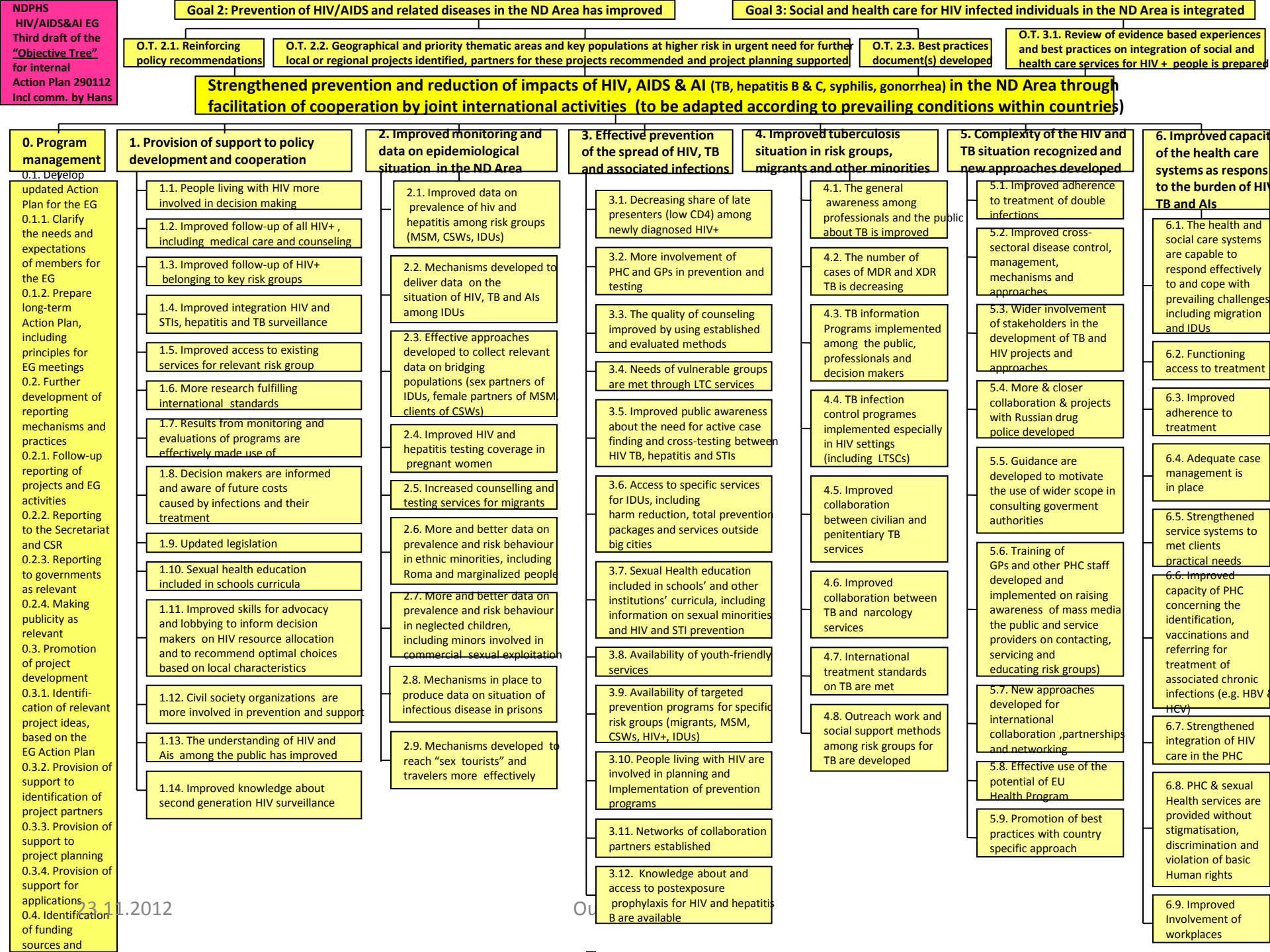


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## Projects under the umbrella of the HIV/AIDS Expert Group

- Project status in November 2012
  - 42 projects completed
  - 14 projects ongoing
  - A few projects under consideration
- WE ARE FACING TWO VERY SERIOUS PROBLEMS:
  - Deteriorating IDU-HIV-TB situation
  - Lack of funds to respond to the situation





Goal 2: Prevention of HIV/AIDS and related diseases in the ND Area has improved

Goal 3: Social and health care for HIV infected individuals in the ND Area is integrated

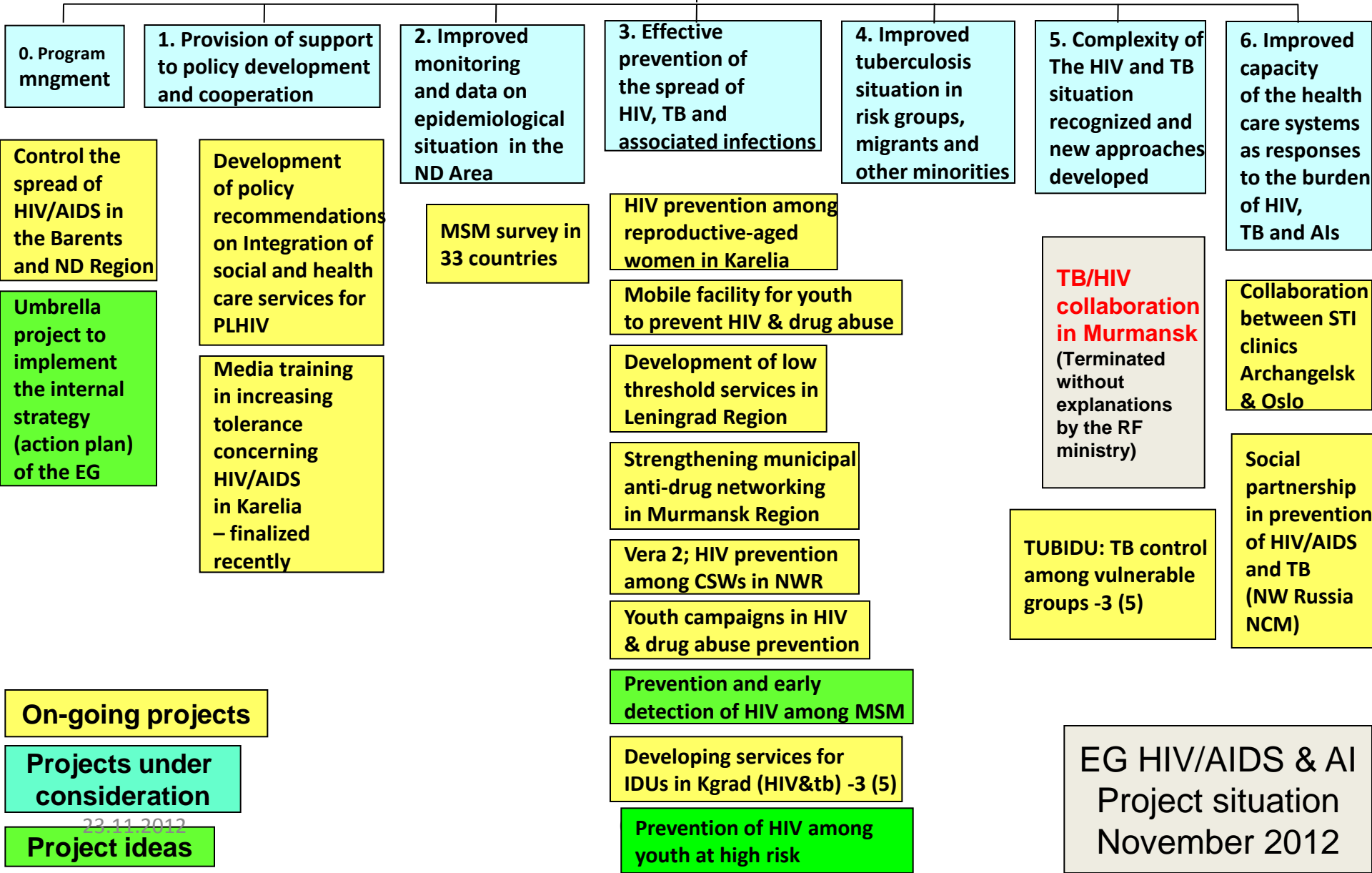
O.T. 2.1. Reinforcing policy recommendations

O.T. 2.2. Geographical and priority thematic areas and key populations at higher risk in urgent need for further local or regional projects identified, partners for these projects recommended and project planning supported

O.T. 2.3. Best practices document(s) developed

O.T. 3.1. Review of evidence based experiences and best practices on integration of social and health care services for HIV + people is prepared

# Strengthened prevention and reduced impacts of HIV, AIDS & AI in the NDPHS Region





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**Special thanks to NDPHS Secretariat!**





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