

The UNECE Subprogramme on Economic Cooperation and Integration, 2006-2011: Achievements and Challenges

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STRUCTURE OF THE PRESENTATION

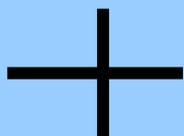
- Mandate, areas of work and subsidiary bodies
- Range of activities and outputs
- Increasing focus on capacity-building
- New milestones: Innovation Performance Reviews and the UNECE PPP Initiative
- Working with partners
- Extra-budgetary funding and support
- Measures of performance: growth of programmatic activities and XB financing
- The way forward: addressing future challenges

STRUCTURE AND METHODS OF WORK

First session CECI 27-28 September 2006: five years of existence

Subsidiary bodies:

- Team of Specialists on Intellectual Property (November 2006)
- Team of Specialists on Innovation and Competitiveness Policies (March 2007)
- Team of Specialists on Public Private Partnerships (February 2008)



Constantly growing **networks of support** in all areas: >500 **active** members of expert networks



A young subprogramme which has opened **new areas of activity** for the **UNECE** and has developed to fulfil its mandate:

- **Building** on achievements
- **Raising new resources**



OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK

- Meetings of Teams of Specialists
- Networks of experts
- Conferences

→
sharing of good practices and lessons learned

- Policy recommendations
- Synopsis of good practices
- Guidelines
- Toolkits and training materials

→
practical implementation

- Policy advisory work
- Workshops, seminars and other capacity-building activities



A demand driven **INTERNATIONAL PLATFORM** for the exchange of experiences, leading to **ACTIONS** to develop **POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS** at the national level and improve **CAPACITY** to implement them

KNOWLEDGE SHARING ACTIVITIES

Some recent and future initiatives

Kiev, November 2010

Helsinki, June 2010

Tel Aviv, July 2011

Baku, November 2011



A RANGE OF POLICY RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS

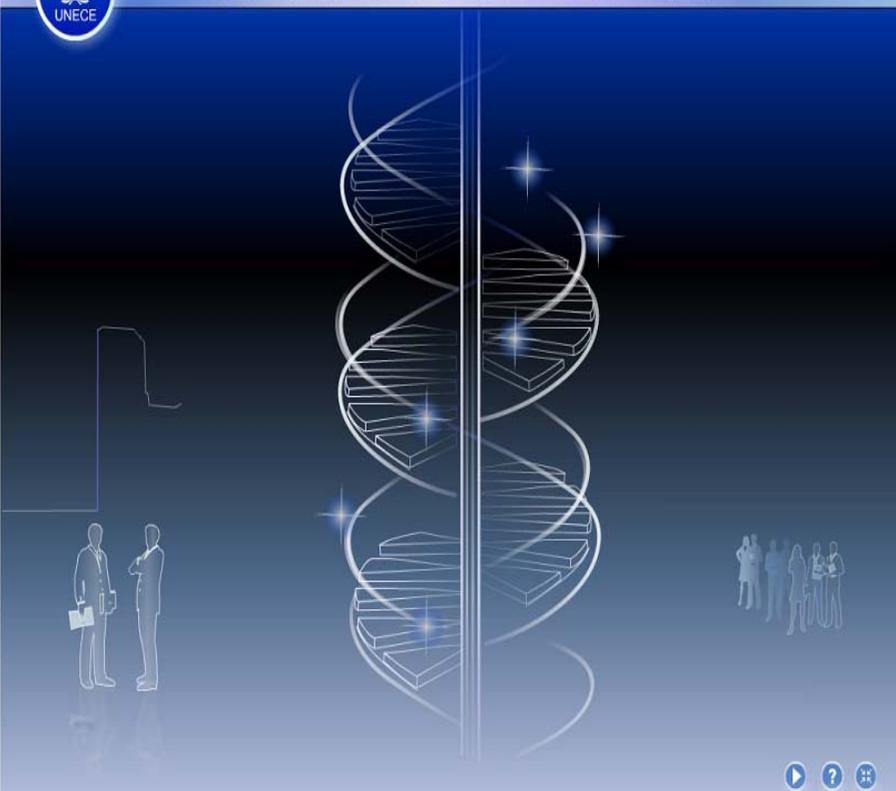


In addition, synopsis of good practices and policy options and recommendations have been presented to CEI sessions

TRAINING MATERIALS AND TOOLKITS

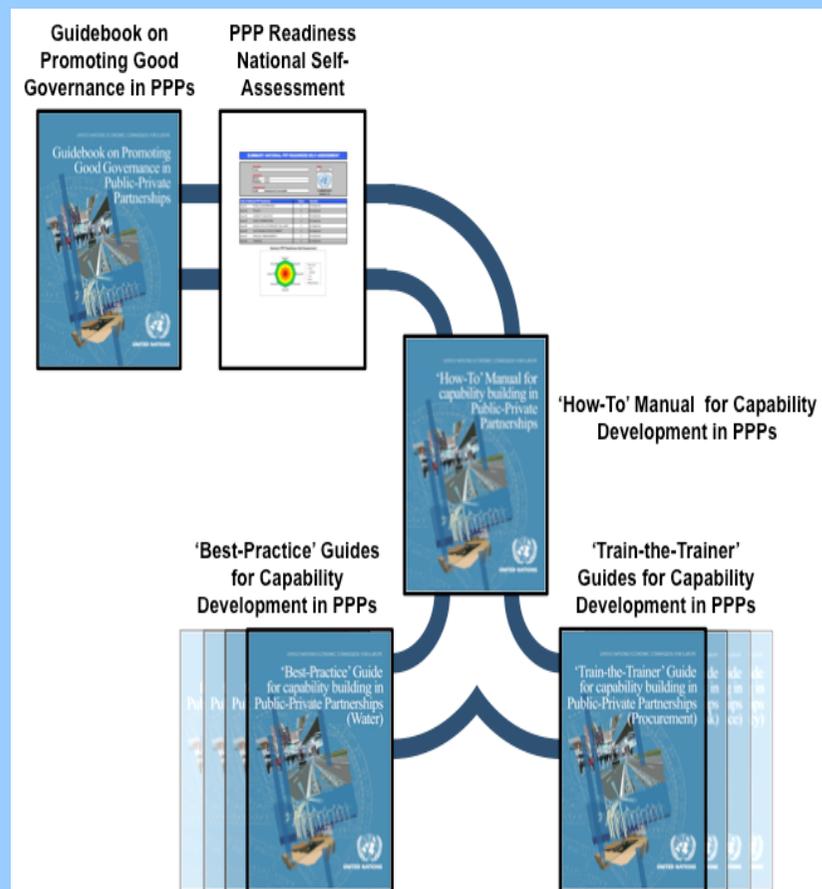
Financing for innovative development

 Создание благоприятных условий для эффективного финансового посредничества, способствующего инновационному развитию



Software available in English and Russian, tested in training courses in Haifa (March 2011)

Public-private partnerships



Integrated training materials developing previous work

INCREASING FOCUS ON CAPACITY BUILDING

Capacity-building activities and advisory services have grown in importance

This reflects the demand of member States and

Was possible thanks to:

- *the building of networks,*
- *the accumulation of experiences on good practices,*
- *the development of training tools*
- *the success in raising extra-budgetary financing*



During the 5-year period CECI:

- organized 10 integrated capacity-building events on knowledge-based development
- organized > 50 thematically focused capacity-building events
- contributed to a number of capacity-building events co-hosted with other partners

During this period more than 3,000 policy-makers and experts from countries with economies in transition benefited from participation in CECI capacity-building activities

INNOVATION PERFORMANCE REVIEWS

A new participatory policy advisory service



At the request of Governments

Jointly undertaken with national experts

Reviews critically the national innovation system and innovation policy framework

Provides concrete policy recommendations in these areas

Offers a basis for capacity-building follow up activities, including in cooperation with other partners

Financed through extra-budgetary contributions (Eurasian Development Bank)

INNOVATION PERFORMANCE REVIEW PROJECTS

2010



2011



Ukraine (2012)

Others to follow, based on the demand of member states and further extra-budgetary funding

UNECE PPP INITIATIVE

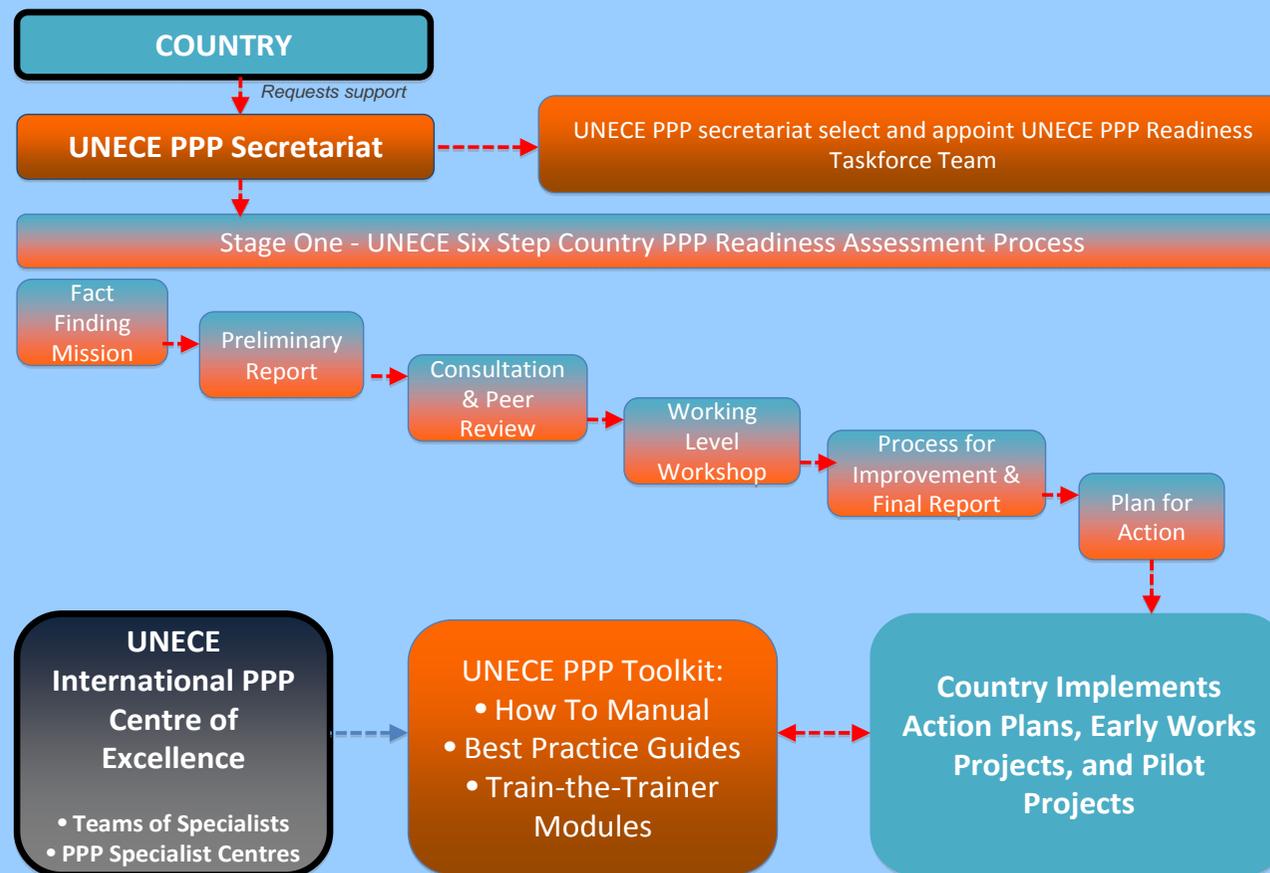


A new major initiative that links the identification and dissemination of best practice to capacity-building activities

ADVISORY WORK ON PPP

A new advisory facility on PPP is taking off

UNECE Six Step Country PPP Readiness Assessment Process



WORKING WITH PARTNERS



Close cooperation with other international organizations to achieve synergies

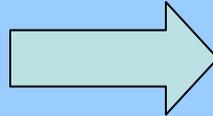
Strong collaboration with the private sector and academia:

- Professional associations
- Companies
- Universities

To identify the problems, find the solutions and spread the knowledge

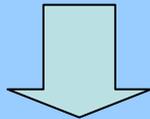
PARTNERSHIPS ON IP WORK

Work on IP has included **10 dedicated capacity-building activities** in countries with economies in transition, in addition to the contribution to many shared CECI events, the substantive segments of the Team sessions in Geneva and activities organised by other partners



Close collaboration with:

- **WIPO**
- US Patent and Trademark Office
- Business associations (React, IPR Business Partnership)
- Private sector companies



In response to strong demand by countries

Possible thanks to XB funding and a supportive expert network

PARTNERSHIPS ON IP WORK



The Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Serbia



KYRGYZPATENT



BUSINESS FORUM AT THE PPP DAYS



- The premier meeting place for public and private sectors to exhibit, discuss and develop partnerships
- organized in cooperation with World Bank, ADB and other partners
- sharing knowledge based on latest PPP projects and best practice across major markets
- provides Governments with an opportunity to showcase their projects to leading international companies and multilateral development banks ...
- ... thus helping to boost investment in key infrastructure areas, such as, energy, water and waste, transport, health etc..

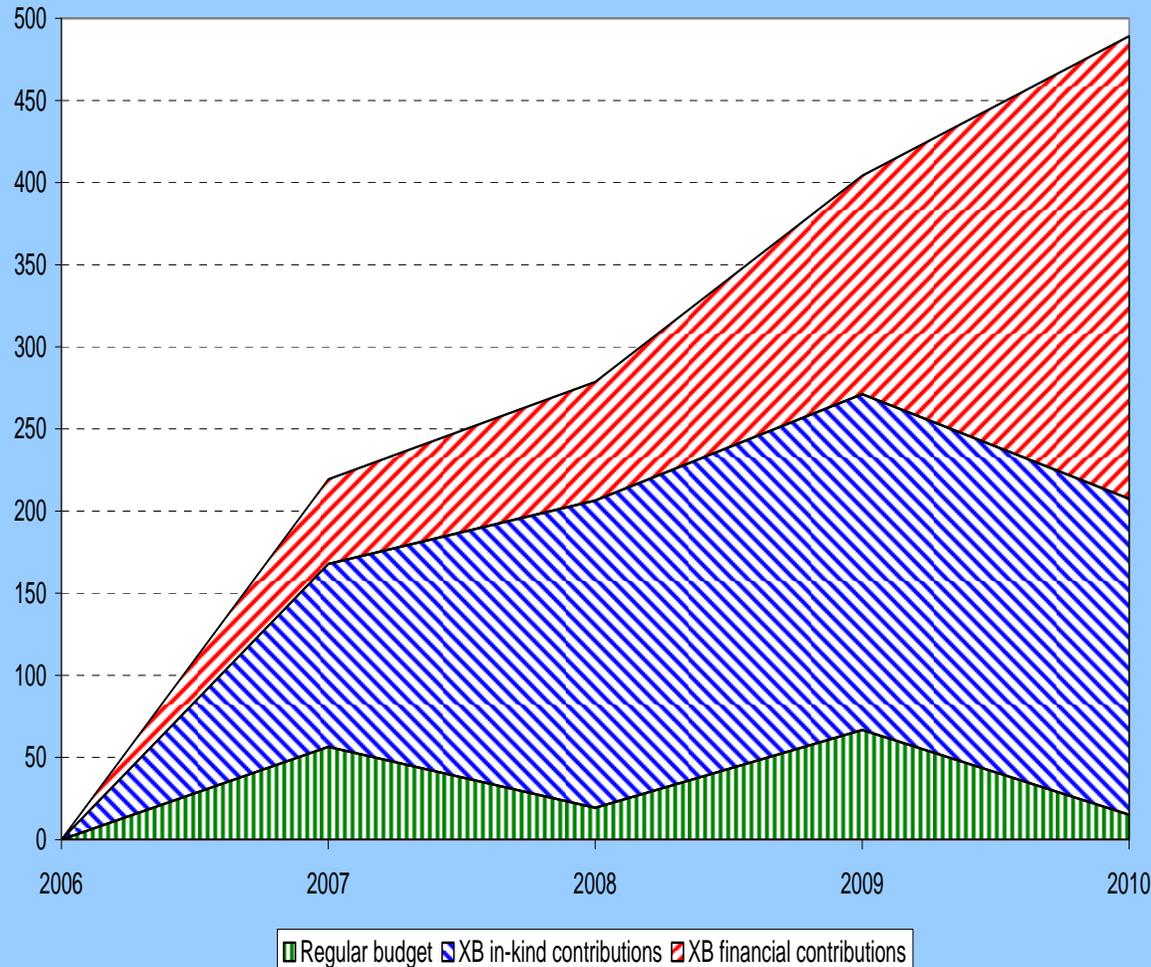
EXTRA-BUDGETARY FUNDING AND SUPPORT



- Financial and in-kind contributions are essential to undertake advisory and other capacity-building activities
- Extrabudgetary support demonstrates the relevance of the subprogramme to different donors
- The subprogramme attracted around \$2 million in 2007-2010 and pledges for such support are continuing
- In-kind support: many private sector participants are ready to offer their time and expertise to contribute to the development of the programme

SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN ACTIVITIES

Expenditures on programmatic activities, ECID total, ths. dollars

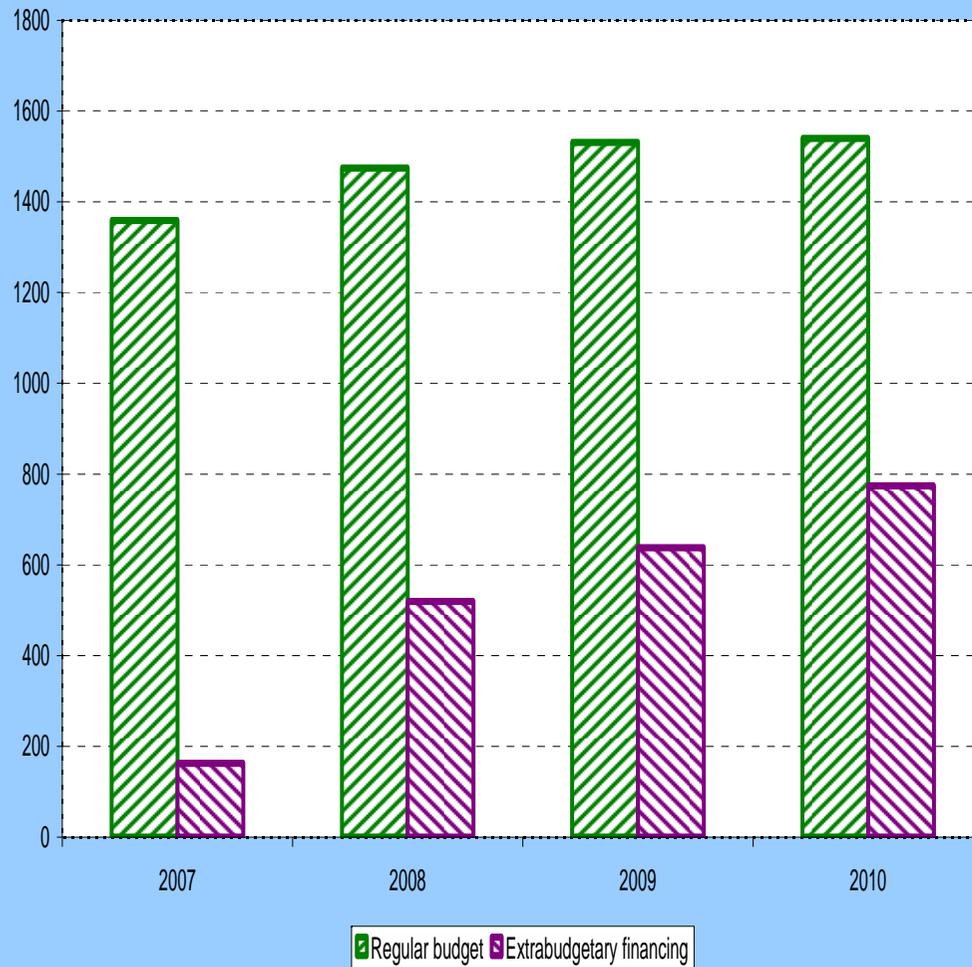


From a **very low base** the value of the activities carried out has expanded rapidly, **more than doubling in 2007-2010**

This has been possible thanks to the **growth of extra-budgetary contributions**, including a conservative estimate of in-kind contributions

RAPID GROWTH OF XB FINANCING

Total financing of ECID activities, ths. dollars



While regular budget has shown little change, **extra-budgetary financing has increased rapidly**

Extra-budgetary financing was in 2010 four times more than in 2007, accounting for more than one quarter of total financing available.

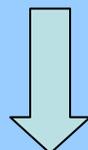
This is a remarkable growth in a short period of time

Each \$ of regular ECID budget generates 0.5 \$ extra-budgetary financing

THE WAY FORWARD: ADDRESSING FUTURE CHALLENGES

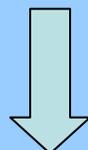
Building on achievements

- Proven ability to raise XB funding
- Developed frameworks, products and tools for capacity-building and advisory work
- Extensive networks of support



Developing further existing capacities

- Closer integration between thematic areas to support increased economic competitiveness and provide effective capacity-building activities
- Strengthened XB efforts
- Closer collaboration with international organisations and other partners in concrete projects



Meeting the needs and demands of member States

- The subprogramme has matured and developed to meet increasing demands
- Identifying challenges and opportunities in key economic sectors of the future
- Building the capacity of governments to implement policies and realize opportunities in the UNECE region