

The participation of the Agency for Research, Technology and Innovation in the production of the National Catalogue of Innovations in Albania



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In Albania, the production of the National Catalogue of Innovations for Human Development has begun in the framework of a formal collaboration agreement between the UNDP ART Programme for territorial development and the B.A.ZH NGO.

The activities for the realization of the catalogue have already attracted a great deal of national interest, for the variety and quality of the parties involved. The invitation to participate, sending the documentation on innovations known, was sent by BAZH NGO to more than 166 actors: Ministers, universities, international cooperation organizations. Numerous meetings with the institutions that have shown interest have been organized. Meetings for the presentation of the activities are also ongoing in the regions where the UNDP Programme is active and in other interested.

On 1st October 2012, within this framework, a meeting has been held with the Albanian Agency for Research, Technology and Innovation, in order to present the ongoing activities and establish an agreement with the Agency to assume the function of coordinating institution in the production of the National Catalogue of Innovations for Human Development. The meeting was attended, for the Agency, by: Mr. Edmond Agolli, Director of National Programs; Mr. Robert Dumi, Director of International Program; Mrs. Daniela Tako, Head of Multilateral Relations Unit.



In the meeting, the Director of National Programs introduced the Albanian Agency for Research, Technology and Innovation (ARTI) and its programs. ARTI is a public, legal institution established by and under the competences of the Council of Ministers. It started its activity in March 2010. ARTI aims to build a modern system of science, to strengthen research and technology and integrate them into the higher education system. Furthermore, ARTI facilitates the exchange of knowledge, mutual activities and partnership in and outside the country. ARTI is a coordinating and leading structure for the sustainable development of Albania. It cooperates with institutions in the field of science and technology in line with the national priorities for the development of scientific and technological policies and the management of research and development Institutes. The Agency operates as a coordinating structure for programs and projects based on bilateral and multilateral cooperation agreements between Albania and other countries.

The Academy of Sciences, which collaborated in the past with the IDEASS Programme, is also represented in the Albanian National Agency for Research. It has been also involved in the activities for the production of the Catalogue

During the meeting, the BAZH NGO director stressed that the catalogue has as its goal the dissemination and diffusion in Albania of the innovations identified, in order to encourage the local development actors to adopt the proposed innovative solutions. She officially invited the Agency for Research, Technology and Innovation to be the scientific counterpart of the initiative and to provide the IDEASS activities in Albania with technical assistance.

At the end of the meeting the participants agreed to provide an exchange of official communications to define the Agency's participation in the activities of IDEASS, also involving the General Director of the Agency for Research, Technology and Innovation.

List of involved Albanian institutions

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