



The World Bank

Implementation of the International Comparison Program (ICP) in the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)

Integrated Safeguards Data Sheet Identification / Concept Stage (ISDS)

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BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Project ID	Project Name	Environmental Category	Country
P166845	Implementation of the International Comparison Program (ICP) in the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)	C - Not Required	World
Team Leader(s)	Estimated Date of Approval	Managing Unit	Financing Instrument
Marko Olavi Rissanen		DECAE	Investment Project Financing

Financing (in USD Million)

SUMMARY

Total Project Cost	0.26
Total Financing	0.26
Financing Gap	0.00

DETAILS

B. Project Development Objective(s)

The project development objective is to ensure successful conduct of the ICP activities in the CIS region, and to further institute the ICP as a permanent element of the regional and national statistical program, as per the UNSC recommendation. Furthermore, through the conduct of various activities, the project aims to enhance statistical capacity of the CIS NSOs, especially in relation to economic statistics.

C. Project Description

To achieve the development objective and key results, the project comprises the following components and activities.

1. Arrangement of regional workshops



The component involves conducting regional workshops that cover the following topics: i) designing ICP surveys; ii) compiling GDP expenditures; iii) conducting quality assurance; iv) sharing knowledge and best practices relating to production of economics statistics; and (v) promoting the uses of PPPs.

2. Participation in international meetings and conferences

The component aims at ensuring that the national and regional economic statistics and PPP estimates are produced according to the latest methodologies, techniques, guidelines and agreements.

3. Preparation of operational materials and calculation of PPP estimates

The component involves preparing operational materials for conducting ICP activities and producing PPP estimates and related measures.

4. Production of knowledge materials and publications

The component involves production of knowledge materials relating to economic statistics and publications illustrating regional ICP results.

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SAFEGUARDS

D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

The project activities will not include any physical interventions. Project activities, such as meetings and workshops, will be typically conducted at hotels and/or government offices in project countries' capital cities.

E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

In accordance with its statute regulation, CIS-STAT disposes all necessary institutional tools to carry out safeguard policies.

F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

Takeaki Sato, Environmental Safeguards Specialist

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G. Policies that might apply

Safeguard Policies Triggered by the Project	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	No	The project is proposed to be as classified as Category C, given no environmental impacts are expected since the project consists of training activities that do not have potential negative environmental impact/risk associated issues.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	The project does not contemplate rehabilitation or new works in areas of natural habitats or that would significantly impact natural habitats.
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	The project will not finance activities in forests or that could potentially affect forest resources or their management.
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	The project does not involve purchase or use of pesticides or finance any activities that could lead to changes in pesticide use or pest management practices.
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	No	The project does not contemplate rehabilitation or new works that could potentially affect physical cultural resources.
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	The project will strengthen the statistical capacity of government institutions, and as such will not finance any activities affecting areas where indigenous communities are present or to which they have a collective attachment.
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	The project will strengthen the statistical capacity of government institutions and as such will not finance any activities that might lead to land acquisition, resettlement, or the restriction of access to natural resources.
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	The project will neither support the construction or rehabilitation of dams nor will it support other investments which rely on services of existing dams.
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	The project will not finance activities involving the use or potential pollution of international waterways.
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	The project will not finance activities in

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disputed areas as defined in the policy.

H. Safeguard Preparation Plan

Appraisal stage ISDS required? No

APPROVALS

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