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Project Progress

The period is characterized by developments of legal framework in the central level, regarding the roles and competencies on Vocational Education and Training (VET) of central authorities which have been shifted from Ministry of Education and Sports to the Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth. The draft law "For changes on law no 8872, dated 29.03.2002 "For Vocational Education and Training in the Republic of Albania" has been approved by Albanian Parliament on June 2014.

SEED Albania is focused in creating smooth ground for ensuring the effectiveness and sustainability of activities and results foreseen ahead.

On this regards, results have been achieved toward coordination with authorities, stakeholders and groups of interest to harmonize the framework of **SEED** program implementation in Albania in line with recent developments on governmental policy and legal framework.

Relevant authorities and stakeholders of targeted regions have expressed their willingness toward implementation of SEED and concrete steps are taken toward an effective coordination and mutual cooperation.



SEED Programme started with a strong political commitment from new Albanian Government on Vocational Education, Training, Employment and Empowerment of Women and Youth.

The Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth is the main governmental authority dealing with themes and beneficiaries targeted by SEED programme (Vocational Education and Training, Employment, vulnerable groups' empowerment, gender equality, women and youth).

Within the Ministry, the General Directorate of Employment and VET Policies is the direct authority linked with SEED programme implementation in Albania.

In such frame, the quarterly period is concluded with achievement of partnership agreement, between Community Development Center "Today for the Future" and Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth on coordination and implementation of SEED Project in Albania.

The Partnership Agreement highlights the importance of SEED project for regions targeted in the northern Albania, and within this approach, the coordination and partnership between CDC "Today for the Future" and Ministry of Social Welfare will give a great support in terms of education and employability of youth and women and to the economic and social development of regions of Shkodra, Puka and Lezha.

Additionally, the partnership agreement highlights the importance of expanding the approach in other regions of Albania.

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