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The second year of SEED started according to the overall SEED work plan agreed at partners' meeting of December 2014 held in Peja and specifically to the adoption of the SEED Albania according to the actual context

A special focus is given to the lobbying and advocacy component. Focus of meetings was put on compatibility between actual capacities of local government and required enhanced ability to provide greater range of services; analysis undertaken so far on capabilities and capacities; steps foreseen; level at which the local strategies reflect the above and plans the perspective. SEED assessment may be excellent basis for initiating process of adoption/ revision of local strategies under the new administrative and territorial reform and with the new local decision making structures after the local election of June 2015

During the reporting period, a joint monitoring visit of ADA Tirana and Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth was held in January 2015, in Durres. During the monitoring, the representatives of ADA Tirana and MSWY paid attention to organization stakeholders and partners by meeting one of them and specifically the Director of Regional Directorate of VET in Durres with whom were discussed issues on VET training and cooperation with CDC-TFF

SEED Albania has involved in the program Regional Council of Lezha District, Regional Council of Shkodra District, Prefecture of Lezha and Prefecture of Shkodra. Besides the focus of inclusion of regional governance to the SEED, and support to local development, during the meetings it was envisaged

the need of above governmental bodies to be included in the capacity building for social dialogue and gender mainstreaming.

Another focus of meetings with authorities and businesses was the political context due to local election of June 2015 and its effects in structures and in local development, since these elections will be realized under the new territorial reform.

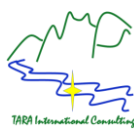
During this quarterly period the work consisted in preparation of the training manuals for trainings to authorities and to community groups on social dialogue and gender mainstreaming.

The aim of training manual for 6 training series to LGUs (2 per region) is to provide knowledge and to strengthen the capacities of LGU's employees for providing the appropriate and qualitative services for the communities they serve, by using social dialogue and mainstreaming gender in every field of intervention.

The first capacity building training was held in Lezha Municipality on 26 to 27 February 2015, with participation of 17 representatives of Lezha LGUs and local institutions, Lezha District Council, Prefecture, Commune of Shengjin and Commune of Kallmet.

ADA Tirana presence at the training enhanced the discussions among participants and created ground for expression of thoughtful point of views regarding quality of services for community.

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