Decade Trust Fund

Status Report

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Decade Trust Fund: Status

- **Contributions received from** all the member states of the Decade and Open Society Institute
- Each made the initial contribution of EUR 20,000
- Total contributions to date EUR 199,970
- Bosnia & Herzegovina and Spain have not signed agreement yet
- Albania declared its commitment to contribute DTF, Call for Funds letter is in process by the World Bank

DTF Status: Receipts and Disbursements



Total Receipts (including Investment Income)		EUR 210,357
	Project Disbursement	EUR 35,020
Disbursements	Admin Fees	EUR 9,999
Fund Balance (Cash and		
Investments)		EUR 165,338

Decade TF Activities Financed



• Employment Workshop in Sofia in May 2007

Costs – 7,240 Euro

Participated: Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania

• Housing workshop and study tour to Croatia and Hungary in December 2007

Costs – 10,653 Euro

Participated: Croatia, Czech Republic, Bulgaria, B&H, Hungary, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia and Romania

- TA to Indicator Working Group Budget - 10,000 Euro
- Anti-discrimination workshop in Budapest in April 2008.
 Costs 10,180 Euro

Participated: Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Croatia, Romania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Slovenia, Albania, Spain

Decade Trust Fund: Next Steps



- Receive contributions from new members– Albania, B&H and Spain
- Discuss next round of activities to be financed out of the DTF – need to be more proactive and innovative
 - According to initial plans, proposals are expected from Serbia
 - Bulgaria also signaled an application

Decade Trust Fund process – proposal for improvement



- DTF process revised and agreed by ISC on November 16, 2006
- Based on the past two years experience,
- suggestion for better utilization of funds and ease approval process:
 - Threshold to be raised to EURO 20,000 per application (from the present EURO 10,000 limit)
 - Approval by no-objection basis

Decade Trust Fund: Resources



• Websites – criteria, proposal format, application and approval process description

www.romadecade.org www.worldbank.org/roma

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