

Support to the implementation of a program to strengthen water and sanitation regulatory agencies (D1397)

Description:

The general objective of the proposal is to support water and sanitation regulatory agencies which were not included in the first phase (RG-T3511). The first phase, co-financed by the Portuguese government, included 5 regulators. This second phase will support the implementation of best practices and strengthening activities to additional regulators.

The specific objectives of the proposal is to: (i) conduct training workshops for the water and sanitation regulators on tariffs, human resources, information management, performance indicators and best practices; (ii) develop tool kits to be used by regulators in their day to day activities; (iii) establish a regulation platform that will be fed with information from all regulators collected during phase 1 and 2. Regulators from other regions of the world will also be able to join the platform; and (iv) Publication of materials using the data collected and training conducted.

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Under Evaluation

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Client Support

Tags:

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Has the proposal been discussed and authorized by the responsible sector or country department/division, as applicable?

Yes

Team Leader Responsible Department

INE

Are there specific countries that will directly benefit from your proposal?

Yes

Mark the specific countries that will be directly benefited from your proposal?

Bolivia

Brazil

Ecuador

Honduras

Jamaica

Paraguay

Where applicable, describe how the proposal aligns with the respective country strategy (for each country selected)

The proposal aligns with the country strategies of the beneficiary countries in that it will strengthen the regulatory bodies of those countries to better regulate water and sanitation service providers thereby improving the quality of service provided to the population. The country strategies emphasize the need to strengthen government agencies to support the provision of water and sanitation services.

Does the proposal align to one or more sector frameworks?

Yes, the proposal aligns with at least one sector framework

Identify and describe how the proposal aligns to the sector framework(s)

The proposed TC aligns with the Water and Sanitation Sector Framework as it supports the countries in the following aspects: (i) prioritization of the water and sanitation sector in national agendas; (ii) separation of roles and responsibilities of the institutions; and (iii) strengthening governance in oversight, in regulation and improving the quality of the service and incorporating good practices in the management of infrastructure.

Select the regional challenges and cross-cutting issues to which the proposal aligns to

Productivity and Innovation

Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability

Institutional Capacity and Rule of Law

Gender Equality

Justify the alignment to each selection above

Productivity and innovation: by supporting water regulators to improve their efficiency and operations with staff training and new ways of operating.

Gender Equality: by supporting more female participation in water regulatory agencies.

Climate change and environmental sustainability: by improving the management of infrastructure and water as a natural resource through a better regulation of the water and sanitation sector.

Institutional capacity and rule of Law: By strengthening institutional capacity of water regulators so that they can better regulate water utilities.

What is the estimated funding that you need in order to implement this proposal?

500000

Select the expected outputs of this proposal

Institutional Strengthening Deliverables (Training products, Management Information Systems, etc.)

Reform Deliverables (Legislation/Multi-country Agreements, Governance Models, Regulatory Frameworks, diagnostics, etc.)

Policy Dialogues

Knowledge Products

Pilot Interventions

Please provide a brief description of the output(s) selected above (The number of units planned, and the estimated cost). If you selected others, please specify.

(i) Training workshops conducted with water regulators (USD150,000); (ii) development of knowledge products, training materials and tool kits for the regulators (USD100,000); (iii) Establishment of a regulation platform that will be fed with information from all regulators collected during phase 1 and 2 (USD250,000). That platform will also be a reference for water and sanitation regulators to look for information on best practices in the LAC region but also from around the world. The data collection has been initiated in Phase 1 and will continue in Phase 2. Publication of materials with collected data during Phase 1 and 2.

Outcomes: If the outputs are delivered successfully, what is the change expected (in capacity, knowledge, behavior, etc.)

The main outcome will consist of stronger water and sanitation regulatory agencies that will be better prepared and trained to regulate water utilities. Another possible outcome is the positive impact this work will have on the design of sector policies and the regulatory frameworks in the LAC region.

(0) **Attachments**

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