

Urban Environment Management Programme (UEMP)

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To: All partners in the UEM-Programme

Easier to procure TAs for short term assignments.

Dear UEM-partners,

It will now be easier to get TAs for short term assignments. The facility will be more straight forward in use. This was decided by the PSC on its meeting 31 January.

The offer is basically the same: At any time you can request the procurement (by action of the Secretariat) of an expert from SA or abroad. The programme will pay for the expert – and your budgets or your finance people need not be involved.

But the process is more flexible:

- √ You can use your own format for the ToR (or that of your institution). Or you may use the templates of the programme (of 2007-02-07 – which is simplified, based on the first ones.)
- √ The upper limit of max. 30 w-days is no longer in force. In stead the PSC will assess each project on a flexible basis.
- √ The data base of CVs relevant to Urban Environment Management now comprises 122 CVs. The Programme Manager in each partner will receive it on a CD-ROM. Extras can be requested by mail - of be found on the upcoming home page of the UEM Programme.

Revision of the pipeline. PSC invites all partners to use of the facility...

So far DEAT is embarking on a capacity building with foreign technical expertise on Air pollution, eThekwin will get a technical scheme for monitoring of Oil Refinery Flares, set up by a South African expert, and the city will get a Catalogue of Renewable Energy sources, tailor made for the city by an international expert. Johannesburg will get a tailor made course of ambient air modelling, and Ekurhuleni is aiming at an LA21 plan for the city.

Based on needs of yours here and now, **PSC invites you to come forward with *specific*** proposals, jointly with the other partners, or alone. This should streamline the brainstorming Catalogue of IDEAs) into a list of projects which can in fact be initiated here and now and be done in a short term. The facility is yours to use, in the fields of Air Quality, Energy, Environmental Health, Planning, Waste, Management, Institutions development, Communication, Process facilitation, and more.

As always – you are welcome to contact he Secretariat to discuss your ideas and wishes.

Best regards,
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