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Contract Number	Nº MIGR/2008/152-804 (5.2)				
Name of Beneficiary	Escuela Andaluza de Salud Pública				
Title of the project	Migration of Health Professionals between Latin America and Europe: Analysis and generation of opportunities for Shared Development				
Total Amount €	1.185.388	EC contribution €	871.388		
Start date (gg/mm/yyyy)	01/01/09	Duration (in month)	30		

Period covered by the report	From	01/01/09	10	30/06/09
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Indicative percentage of expenditure already executed ¹	9,78% of total budget; 31,92% of budget			

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Activities implemented so far

Dr. Juan Ignacio Martinez Millan, activity coordinator, and Maritxu Pando Letona, technician in the area of international health visited Montevideo from February 2-15, 2009 and held their first meeting with the work team. On February 6 the Steering Committee and Technical Secretariat were constituted (see annex 1) and members of the Stable Work Group were designated. During their visit to Montevideo they discussed and designed an Operating Manual for the action. Specific needs related to the design of a content manager were also defined. As this report is being written, that content manager is fully functional (see link: www.mpdc.es).

Prior to the work group's first meeting the project logo was designed, a variety of social marketing strategies were developed, and audiovisual material was produced (annexes 2 and 3 contain an official presentation in PowerPoint, available in three languages, and an informational brochure, available in four languages).

Diverse activities were also conducted to enhance the project's strategic positioning in several institutions (the Ibero-American General Secretariat in Madrid and Uruguay, the EC Delegation in Uruguay, the Spanish Health Ministry, the Health Department of the Regional Andalusian Government, the Secretary of State for International Cooperation, the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation, the Andalusian Agency for International Development Cooperation, GTZ – the German Cooperation for Development Agency, communications media, etc.). Annex 4 contains a draft press release on the project's presentation in Montevideo in February of this year that was sent to the European Commission's Delegation. An interview with Dr. Juan Ignacio Martinez Millan, the EASP Coordinator of this action, was also published in Uruguay's newspaper, "Búsqueda" (see annex 5).

The action was also presented in the course of a seminar workshop on the migration of health professionals in the Andean Sub-Region which took place in Lima, Peru, on March 1 and 2 of 2009 (see annexes 6 and 7).

Agreement was reached on defining search criteria and the cataloguing of bibliographies and documents which are permanently included in the content manager.

The contents of conferences to be contracted in the area of resource planning were also selected.

¹ This percentage shows the ratio between the approximate amount of expenses incurred and the total budget for the action



During this period, the work group elaborated a study protocol for the planned cases that included the design and validation of a questionnaire on factors related with the migratory process of professionals. The search for institutions ideally suited for carrying out the on-site studies has begun, prioritizing case studies in: Uruguay, Portugal, Spain, the Andean Region, and Central America. Consideration is also being given to a more in-depth analysis in Italy and Chile since both – according to early situation analyses – are countries that are receiving a significant number of Latin American professionals (annex 8 contains the model of terms of reference for the case studies).

The Second Regional Encounter on Migration of Human Health Resources, organized by the Uruguayan Public Health Ministry with assistance from this action, was celebrated in Montevideo on June 1 and 2. The program for that encounter can be found in annex 9, and in annex 10 can be found a model of the certificate that was given to participants. Annex 11 contains a draft press release sent to the European Commission Delegation in Montevideo. The conclusions extracted from this event will be presented by the Republic of Uruguay's Health Minister at the Ibero-American Region's Conference of Health Ministers in Evora (Portugal) on June 29 and 30, and can be consulted in annex 12. Annex 13 contains a draft press release on those conclusions which, in turn, was sent to the European Commission's Delegation in Montevideo and the Ibero-American General Secretariats in Madrid and Uruguay).

Achievements (if any)

- Constitution of Steering Committee and Technical Secretariat.
- Design of an operating manual.
- Marketing activities (logo design, informational brochure, strategic positioning of the action, press releases).
- A review of literature and information regarding the current situation.
- Elaboration of a protocol and methodological guidelines for case studies to be undertaken. During 2009 case studies in Uruguay, Portugal and the Andean Region will be initiated.
- Design and validation of a questionnaire to analyze the motives behind migratory processes.
- Design and implementation of a content manager (www.mpdc.es)
- As a result of the seminar workshop on migration of health professionals in the sub-Andean region (Lima, Peru) and the Second Regional Encounter on Migration of Human Health Resources (Montevideo, Uruguay) an initial situation analysis has been formulated on migratory flows in the medical and nursing fields for the following countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela.

Difficulties encountered (if any)

Most of the work conducted over the past six moths had to do with tasks related to the work group, which have functioned normally. There is nothing further in this section to report.

Future planning (if different from the original work plan)

Activities are continuing in accordance with the planned time line. Following an initial examination of the number of studies that should be conducted, plans have been made to carry out the regional studies based on partial studies. For that reason, the number of overall units will be increased while still respecting the total cost estimated in the budget for this item.