

Project planning

Introduction

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Overview

- Project document structure
- Considerations
- Benefits



Project document

- Logical framework (log frame)
 - Inputs and activities contribute to
 - Outputs contribute to
 - Outcomes contribute to
 - Objectives
- Schedule
- Monitoring and evaluation



Objectives

- Long-term global impacts to be achieved by the project
- Ideally aligned with national strategic goals

Examples

- Increased innovative activity
- Increased competitiveness of a specific sector



Outcomes

Short or medium term effects to be achieved by the project

Examples

- Greater use of patent information by universities
- Improved quality of patent applications by local enterprises



Outputs

Assets produced directly by project activities

Examples

- Trained human resources
- Technical infrastructure



Inputs and activities

- Resources and activities to be invested in the project
- Ideally take into account existing resources and activities
- → Identify resource gaps
- → Identify potential duplication



Log frame: Considerations

- Objectives, outcomes, outputs, and inputs and activities should be expressed clearly → SMART
- Linkages between objectives, outcomes, outputs, and inputs and activities should be apparent (and documented) → No "spare" items



Schedule: Considerations

- Timing should take into account
 - Preparation
 - Implementation
 - Post-activity workup (including review)
 - Dependencies between activities
 - Possible "slippage"



Log frame: Indicators and baselines

- Indicator: Measurable information about an objective, outcome, output, or input and activity
- Baseline: Initial starting point
- → Track progress (and identify necessary adjustments)



Benefits

- Greater consistency and transparency in project design
 - → More efficient resource allocation
 - → More efficient activity implementation
 - → Better risk management
 - → Improved opportunities for learning and sharing experiences
 - → Better cooperation with internal and external partners
- → Improved project performance



Thank you for your attention!

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