



Letter of agreement

Introduction

The TSP programme "Services to the PMU for the organization and execution of training sessions for participants in ETP activities to support the TVET Reform" is launched in the context of the jointly funded, National TVET Reform and Modernization Programme. The Programme has supported reforms in policy advice, institution and capacity building as well as processes and systems upgrading with a view to creating an effective national demand-driven TVET reform policy platform along the lines of international best practices. In the context of the Programme, three ongoing TA Projects have established 12 Enterprise TVET Partnerships (ETPs) in the ready made garment, food processing, engineering, building & construction materials, wood & furniture, building and construction (2 ETPs), tourism (2 ETPs), chemical, leather tanning and leather goods, media, printing and related ICT Technology sectors.

The overall objective of the TVET Reform Project according to the ToR is **"to contribute to improving the competitiveness of the Egyptian enterprises on domestic and international markets."** In particular, the current TA Project contributes to the immediate (specific) objective: **"to support the development of human and institutional capacity for the formulation and implementation of a national TVET reform policy."**

The purpose of the TSP programme is to provide services to the PMU for organization and implementation of training arrangements **"for capacity building in qualified human resource infrastructure to support the ETPs within the frame of quality training delivery."**

The Project, given the objective, purpose and training activities described in the ToR, gives emphasis to (a) raising the capacities of Egyptian officials in the key institutions according to the Programme objectives; (b) assuring that key processes in TVET formulation and delivery are functional, and; (c) modernizing the training/guidance principles in TVET delivery. This is depicted schematically in the diagram below.

Type of the agreement

NAQAEE is one of the important stakeholder organizations in Egypt for the education system. A component 1 in the TSP programme is envisaged which addresses the following topic: "TVET Occupational Standardization, Accreditation and Certification" Envisaged are regular 25 short training sessions (four- five days) for 500 trainees from 26.04.09 onwards until the end of the project (1.03.2011). The training will address the topics from a policy, methodological and technical perspective and aims at contributing to introduce to trainees of international models and practices in this area.

NAQAEE agrees to participate in the TSP, esp. its component 1, by participating in a Training Needs Analysis, by ensuring its professional staff to be involved in the training sessions, by making use of the learning outcomes whenever deemed appropriate and by assisting in the monitoring & evaluation of the training. Training costs will be covered from the TSP programme.

This memorandum of understanding shall be signed between TSP (contract 5 of the TVET Reform Programme, represented by **Jan de Voogd**, the Project Coordinator and NAQAEE "National Authority for quality assurance and accreditation of education" represented by **Prof. Magdy A.Kassem**, president.

Date: March 31st, 2009

Place: Cairo, Egypt

Signature

Jan de Voogd

Project Team leader – Training Sessions programme (contract 5 TVET Reform)

Signature

Prof. Magdy A.Kassem

NAQAEE president and Chairman of the Board