

## EU SUPPORT FOR LAND CONSOLIDATION IN LITHUANIA



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## FINANCING OF LAND CONSOLIDATION IN 2004 – 2006 (1)

- Lithuanian single Programming Document (SPD) of 2004-2006 (support from EAGGF Guidance section):
  - IV priority “Rural development and fishery”:
    - Measure 4 “**Promoting the adaptation of rural areas**”:
      - Sub-measure “**Land re-parcelling**”  
(budget of 2,2 million EUR;  
100 percent financing from the EU and National budget)  
**Applications submitted and support allocated for 0,76 million EUR (34%)**

## **FINANCING OF LAND CONSOLIDATION IN 2004 – 2006 (2)**

- **Beneficiary:** County Governor (organiser of the LC project);
- **Eligible expenditure:**
  - Preparatory proceedings for land consolidation;
  - Preparation of land valuation plan for land consolidation;
  - Design of land consolidation projects;
  - Public consideration and approval;
  - Preparation of land consolidation agreement and legal registration of land parcels;
  - Publicity measures.

## **PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION OF EU SUPPORT (1)**

- Applications for LC project by the landowners submitted to the County Governor;
- County Governor administration makes investigation for the need to organise LC project and organises meeting with the landowners;
- Landowners conclude preliminary LC agreement;
- County Governor prepares and submits an application to the National Paying Agency (NPA) for the EU support (according to the Administrative rules);
- After the NPA investigation application is send to the MoA where the Project Selection Committee gives its opinion regarding allocation of the support to the Minister of Agriculture who signs the Order for allocating the EU support;

## PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION OF EU SUPPORT (2)

- NPA and the County Governor signs Agreement which is the basis for EU support;
- LC planner is selected through the tender procedure and then the agreement is signed between the County Governor and the LC planner;
- County Governor periodically (up to 5 times) applies for the EU support according to the claims of LC planner.

## FINANCING OF LAND CONSOLIDATION IN 2007 - 2013

- **Lithuanian Rural Development Programme for 2007 - 2013:**
- Measure 8 “**Improvement of rural infrastructure**”
  - **Sub-measure “Land consolidation”**
- **Beneficiary:** institution, responsible for organisation of LC projects (should be Municipality);
- **Eligible expenditure:**
  - Preparatory proceedings for land consolidation;
  - Preparation of land valuation plan for land consolidation;
  - Design of land consolidation projects;
  - Public consideration and approval;
  - Implementation of land consolidation project (including preparation of land consolidation agreement and legal registration of land parcels);
  - Publicity measures;
  - General expenditure.

*(preliminary budget of 16,16 million EUR)*



## **FUTURE PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION OF EU SUPPORT**

- New Administrative rules will be developed and approved after:
  - Discussions among the MoA, NPA, NLS and other institutions will take place and the general provisions will be formulated;
  - Manual for the EU support for LC, based on the experiences of other countries and in accordance with the EU regulations (drafted as a part of the documentation of FAO project) will be developed.

***Much more simple and flexible procedure for the EU support for LC should be elaborated  
(including the possibility to organise tender procedure for selecting the LC planner as soon as possible).***

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !***



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