

Template for preparation by Member States of the

**EVALUATION REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTIONS  
CO-FINANCED BY THE EXTERNAL BORDERS FUND**

(Report set out in Article **52(2) (a)** of Decision **No 574/2007/EC**)

*Please fill in the enclosed template*

*(preferably in English, French or German)*

*and submit it to the Commission **no later than 30 June 2010***

## INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

1. *The enclosed template is intended to assist Member States in the preparation of the evaluation report which they have to submit to the Commission no later than 30 June 2010, as set out in Article 52(2) (a) of Decision No 574/2007/EC.*

*Please always use this format, as this is the only way to ensure a homogeneous evaluation across all Member States and for the Community wide evaluation subsequently.*

*You are free to add any further document you think can be useful in the context of this evaluation. If so, enclose them as an annex, but not as part of this template.*

2. *When filling in this template please be as concrete as possible, providing facts, examples, figures, etc. - It is essential that the description can easily be understood by those who are familiar with the EBF, but not necessarily familiar with the national programme concerned. Wherever relevant highlight national specificities.*
3. *A maximum length of description is indicated for many items. As far as possible this limit should be respected.*
4. *The analysis and assessment of the annual programmes under review start with a summary of the most important features of the multiannual programme and of the programmes approved by the Commission. The reason we ask for this is that we need to have a homogeneous presentation for the subsequent Community wide report. In this context, we think you are the best placed to identify the most relevant features of your programmes.*
5. *When your opinion is asked for, please explain the reasons on which your opinion is based.*
6. *As the content of this mid term evaluation report is on implementation it is not required to have recourse to evaluation expertise: the report can be prepared by the Responsible Authority itself. However, for your convenience, you may choose to have recourse to evaluation expertise.*

*In any case please fill in first the questionnaire on the first page of the template.*

*Whether you had recourse to evaluation expertise or not, the evaluation report must always be signed by the Responsible Authority. The Responsible Authority remains responsible for its content.*

**EVALUATION REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTIONS  
CO-FINANCED BY THE EXTERNAL BORDERS FUND**

(Report set out in Article 52(2) (a) of Decision No 574/2007/EC)

Report submitted by the Responsible Authority of: (Member State)

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Date:

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Name, Signature (authorised representative of the Responsible Authority):

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Name of the contact person (and contact details) for this report in the Member State:

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**GENERAL INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED BY THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY ON EVALUATION EXPERTISE AND ON METHODOLOGY**

- Did you have recourse to an evaluation expertise to prepare this report?

Yes/ No

- If yes, for what part(s) of this report?

- Please explain what kind of evaluation expertise you had recourse to:

\* In-house evaluation expertise (for instance, Evaluation department of the Ministry, etc.) : (please describe)

\* External evaluation expertise: (please describe)

*Brief description of the methodology used by the evaluation expertise*

Important remark

Any evaluation expertise must be obliged by the Responsible Authority to:

- use this template, exclusively
- fully comply with any instruction, methodological note, maximum length, etc. set out in this template.

**EVALUATION REPORT ON THE RESULTS AND IMPACTS OF ACTIONS  
CO-FINANCED BY THE EXTERNAL BORDERS FUND**

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## **Part I**

### **Summary of the Multiannual Programme 2007-2013**

#### **ANALYSIS OF REQUIREMENTS IN THE MEMBER STATE AND STRATEGY TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES**

*Reference documents to be used for this part:*

- *Your multiannual programme 2007-2013 as approved by the Commission, in particular Parts 2 and 3 of the multiannual programme*
- *Any external evaluation of relevance to the items addressed below, if available*
- *Any other relevant information available to the Responsible Authority*



## 2. **STRATEGY TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVES**

*Please provide a summary of Part 3 of your multiannual programme (“Strategy to achieve the objectives”), broken down by Priority (each of the five Priorities as defined in the Strategic Guidelines of the Commission - Decision C(2007)3925 of the Commission) as set out on the next pages.*

*Under each Priority, describe:*

- the objective(s) pursued*
- examples of key actions*
- key actions considered as implementing specific priorities under the chosen priority*

*Finally list in a separate item all quantified objectives set out in Part 3 of your multiannual programme.*

*A concise, but very concrete description is required. It is essential that the description can easily be understood by those who are familiar with the EBF, but not necessarily familiar with your national programme. Wherever relevant highlight national specificities.*

*A maximum length is indicated for each item.*

**Priority 1: Support for the gradual establishment of the common integrated border management system as regards checks on persons and the surveillance of the external borders**

*Maximum length: half a page*

**Priority 2: Support for the development and implementation of the national components of a European Surveillance System for the external borders and of a permanent European Patrol Network at the southern maritime borders of the EU Member States**

*Maximum length: half a page*

**Priority 3: Support for the issuing of visas and the tackling of illegal immigration, including the detection of false or falsified documents by enhancing the activities organised by the consular and other services of the Member States in third countries**

*Maximum length: half a page*

**Priority 4: Support for the establishment of IT systems required for the implementation of the Community legal instruments in the field of external borders and visas**

*Maximum length: half a page*

**Priority 5: Support for effective and efficient application of relevant Community legal instruments in the field of external borders and visas, in particular the Schengen Borders Code and the European Code on Visas**

*Maximum length: half a page*

**Finally, list the most important indicators set out in Part 3 of the Multiannual Programme 2007-2013 and the corresponding quantified/qualitative targets, broken down by Priority :**

*Maximum 5 indicators for each Priority*

Priority 1  
(Main indicators, targets)

Priority 2  
(Main indicators, targets)

Priority 3  
(Main indicators, targets)

Priority 4  
(Main indicators, targets)

Priority 5  
(Main indicators, targets)

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## **Part II**

### **SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL PROGRAMMES 2007, 2008 AND 2009**

**(excluding Technical Assistance measures and Information and Publicity)**

*Reference documents to be used for this part:*

- *Your annual programmes 2007, 2008 and 2009 as approved by the Commission, in particular the description of actions*
- *All other relevant information available to the Responsible Authority*
- *Any external evaluation of relevance to the items addressed below, if available*

*Please provide a summary of the actions contained in your annual programmes 2007 through 2009 (based on the description included in item 1 of each action – purpose and scope), broken down by Priority (each of the five Priorities as defined in the Strategic Guidelines of the Commission - Decision C(2007)3925 of the Commission) as set out on the next pages.*

*Under each Priority describe separately actions/projects implemented under the “awarding body” method, on the one hand, and those under the “executing body” method, on the other hand (where applicable).*

*No breakdown per year is required, however you will be asked to highlight any significant change to the actions of the programmes concerned in a specific item (see the template on the following pages).*

*A concise, but very concrete description is required. It is essential that the description can easily be understood by those who are familiar with the EBF, but not necessarily familiar with your national programme. Wherever relevant highlight national specificities.*

*A maximum length is indicated for each item.*

1. Summary of actions under Priority 1 in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009

Actions to be implemented under the “awarding body” method

***Indicate if relevant: not applicable***

Actions to be implemented under the “executing body” method

2. Summary of actions under Priority 2 in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009

Actions to be implemented under the “awarding body” method

***Indicate if relevant: not applicable***

Actions to be implemented under the “executing body” method

3. Summary of actions under Priority 3 in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009

Actions to be implemented under the “awarding body” method

***Indicate if relevant: not applicable***

Actions to be implemented under the “executing body” method

4. Summary of actions under Priority 4 in the annual programmes 2007 through 2009

Actions to be implemented under the “awarding body” method

***Indicate if relevant: not applicable***

Actions to be implemented under the “executing body” method

5. Summary of actions under Priority 5 in the annual programmes 2007 through 2009

Actions to be implemented under the “awarding body” method

***Indicate if relevant: not applicable***

Actions to be implemented under the “executing body” method

6. Any significant change to the actions of the programmes concerned (revisions of annual programmes and revisions of the financial breakdown lower than 10%)

*Maximum length: half a page*

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**Part III**  
**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMMES IN THE “AWARDING  
BODY” METHOD**

Did you implement the 2007, 2008 and 2009 programmes in the “awarding body” method (as defined in Article 7 (2) of Commission Decision 2008/456/EC of 5.3.2008 - the External Borders Fund Implementing Rules), at least for part of the programmes?

Yes/No :

If Yes, fill in this part.

If No, do not fill in Part III and go to Part IV (Implementation of the programmes in the executing body method).

### **III.1 Share of the overall EU contribution to the programmes granted in the “awarding body” method from 2007 to 2009**

For each programme year from 2007 to 2009, enter the share of the overall EU contribution to the programme (excluding the EU contribution for technical assistance) which was granted in the “awarding body” method (in percentage, no decimal)

- Programme 2007: % of the EU contribution to the programme (excluding the EU contribution for technical assistance)
- Programme 2008: %
- Programme 2009: %

### **III.2 Calls for proposals**

For each programme year from 2007 to 2009, please provide the number and calls for proposals organised for the implementation of the annual programmes in the “awarding body” method

- Programme 2007: (number of calls for proposals)
- Programme 2008: (number of calls for proposals)
- Programme 2009: (number of calls for proposals)

### **III.3 Proposals received, selected and funded after calls for proposals**

Definitions:

- If more than one call for proposals was organised for a given annual programme, provide in the table below, for that programme, figures combining all of that programme's calls.

- Project funded = a contract, a grant agreement or any equivalent form of legal instrument has been signed with the beneficiary

- If multiannual projects have been funded, they should be counted only in the first programme year they were received, selected and funded

*Definition of a multiannual project: According to the legal basis, the end of the eligibility period for projects under the 2007 Programme is 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009. For the 2008 and 2009 Programmes the end of the eligibility period for projects is 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011, respectively. A multiannual project is a project approved for funding under any of the programmes mentioned above, whose eligibility period extends later than the eligibility period for projects of the programme under which it was selected and funded.*

Number of	Programme 2007	Programme 2008	Programme 2009	TOTAL 2007-2009
Proposals received				
Projects selected				
Projects funded				

Have all projects selected for funding after calls for proposals been funded?

Yes/No : .....

- If No, explain why :

### **III.4 Projects funded in the “awarding body” method without a call for proposals**

*In duly justified cases, grants may be awarded in the “awarding body” method without a call for proposals (Article 7 (2) of Commission Decision 2008/456/EC of 5.3.2008 - the External Borders Fund Implementing Rules, third paragraph).*

*The continuation of multiannual projects which were selected after a previous call for proposals should not be taken into account. Neither should Technical Assistance measures, since they are not considered as “projects”.*

*Please indicate the number of projects funded (see definition on page 18) in the “awarding body” method without a call for proposals.*

Projects funded in the “awarding body” method without a call for proposals	<i>Programme 2007</i>	<i>Programme 2008</i>	<i>Programme 2009</i>	<i>TOTAL 2007-2009</i>
Number				

### **III.5 Total number of projects funded in the “awarding body” method in the programmes 2007, 2008 and 2009**

Number of ...	Programme 2007	Programme 2008	Programme 2009	TOTAL 2007-2009
Projects funded after calls for proposals (see table III.3)				
Projects funded without a call for proposals (see table III.4)				
TOTAL Projects funded in the “awarding body” method				

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Part IV</b> <b>IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMMES IN THE “EXECUTING BODY” METHOD</b></p>
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Did you implement the 2007, 2008 and 2009 programmes in the “executing body” method (as defined in Article 8 of Commission Decision 2008/456/EC of 5.3.2008 - the External Borders Fund Implementing Rules), at least for part of the programmes?

Yes/No :

If Yes, fill in this section

If No, do not fill in Part IV and go to Part V( Summary description of the projects funded in the “awarding body method” and in the “executing body” method, 2007 through 2009).

#### **IV.1 Share of the overall EU contribution to the programmes granted in the “executing body” method from 2007 to 2009**

For each programme year from 2007 to 2009, enter the share of the overall EU contribution to the programme (excluding the EU contribution for technical assistance) which was granted in the “executing body” method (in percentage, no decimal).

- Programme 2007: % of the EU contribution to the programme (excluding the EU contribution for technical assistance)
- Programme 2008: %
- Programme 2009: %

#### **IV.2 Calls for expression of interest or for proposals or similar selection method**

For each programme year from 2007 to 2009, please provide the number of calls for expression of interest or for proposals or similar organised for the implementation of the EBF annual programmes in the “executing body” method

- Programme 2007: (number of calls for expression of interest or for proposals or similar selection method)
- Programme 2008: (number of calls for expression of interest or for proposals or similar selection method)
- Programme 2009: (number of calls for expression of interest or for proposals or similar selection method)

### IV.3 Proposals received, selected and funded after calls for expression of interest, call for proposals or similar selection method in the “executing body method”

Definitions:

- If more than one call for expression of interest, call for proposals or similar was organised for a given annual programme, provide in the table below, for that annual programme, figures combining all of that annual programme’s calls.

- Project funded = a contract, a grant agreement or any equivalent form of legal instrument has been signed with the beneficiary

- If multiannual projects have been funded, they should be counted only in the first programme year they were received, selected and funded

*Definition of a multiannual project: According to the legal basis, the end of the eligibility period for projects under the 2007 Programme is 31<sup>st</sup> December 2009. For the 2008 and 2009 Programmes the end of the eligibility period for projects is 30<sup>th</sup> June 2010 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011, respectively. A multiannual project is a project approved for EBF funding under any of the programmes mentioned above, whose eligibility period extends later than the eligibility period for projects of the annual programme under which it was selected and funded.*

Number of ...	Programme 2007	Programme 2008	Programme 2009	TOTAL 2007-2009
Proposals received				
Projects selected				
Projects funded				

Have all projects selected for funding after calls for expression of interest, call for proposals, or similar been funded?

Yes/No : .....

- If No, explain why :

**IV.4 Projects funded in the “executing body” method without a call for expression of interest or for proposals or similar**

Please indicate the number of projects funded (see definition) in the “executing body” method without a call for expression of interest, a call for proposals, or similar.

The continuation of multiannual projects which were selected after a previous call should not be taken into account. Neither should Technical Assistance measures, since they are not considered as “projects”.

Projects funded in the “executing body” method without a call for expression of interest or for proposals or similar selection method	<i>Programme 2007</i>	<i>Programme 2008</i>	<i>Programme 2009</i>	<i>TOTAL 2007-2009</i>
Number				

**IV.5 Total number of projects funded in the “executing body” method in the programmes 2007, 2008 and 2009**

Number of ...	Programme 2007	Programme 2008	Programme 2009	TOTAL 2007-2009
Projects funded after calls for expression of interest, calls for proposals, or similar selection method(see table IV.3)				
Projects funded without such calls (see table IV.4)				
<b>TOTAL</b> Projects funded in the “executing body” method				

## Part V

### SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECTS FUNDED IN THE “AWARDING BODY” METHOD AND IN THE “EXECUTING BODY” METHOD 2007 - 2009

Reference documents to be used for this part:

- The information on the projects funded available to the Responsible Authority (description of the project supported to be found in each grant agreement)
- All information on implementation available to the Responsible Authority
- Any external evaluation of relevance to the items addressed below, if available

Please provide a summary description of the projects funded (see definition on page 18) under your annual programmes 2007 through 2009, broken down by Priority as set out on the next pages. Under each Priority describe separately projects funded in the “awarding body” method, on the one hand, and projects funded in the “executing body” method, on the other hand.

In addition please describe separately (as set out in the template) projects funded in the “awarding body” method without a call for proposals and projects funded in the “executing body” method without a call for expression of interest, for proposals, or similar selection method.

No breakdown per year is required in the items 1 to 6.

Describe separately any change to the distribution for projects funded in the “awarding body” method, on the one hand, and for projects funded in the “executing body” method, on the other hand.

In addition , highlight any significant change to the projects funded in the “awarding body” method, on the one hand, and to projects funded in the “executing body” method, on the other hand (other than their distribution).

It is not required to make a full description of all projects. What is needed is a concise, but very concrete description of the types of operations implemented

*under each Priority. Wherever relevant highlight national specificities. It is essential that the description can easily be understood by those who are familiar with the EBF, but not necessarily familiar with your national programme.*

*You will be asked to highlight 1-5 projects under each annual programme which deserve, in your opinion, particular mention since you consider them as a good practice, or of an innovative nature, of interest for other Member States or of particular value in the light of the multiannual strategy and your national requirements.*

*Finally, you will be asked to describe one "success story" and one "failure", among all projects funded from 2007 to 2009.*

*For each item the maximum length is mentioned beneath the item's description.*

**1. Summary description of the projects funded under Priority 1 in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009**

In the “awarding body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

In the “executing body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

**2. Summary description of the projects funded under Priority 2 in the “executing body” method in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009**

*Maximum length: half a page at the maximum*

In the “awarding body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

In the “executing body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

**3. Summary description of the projects funded under Priority 3 in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009**

In the “awarding body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

In the “executing body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

**4. Summary description of the projects funded under Priority 4 in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009**

In the “awarding body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

In the “executing body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

**5. Summary description of the projects funded under Priority 5 in the annual programmes, 2007 through 2009**

In the “awarding body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

In the “executing body” method

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

**6. Summary description of the projects funded in the “awarding body” method without a call for proposals, in the annual programmes 2007 through 2009**

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

*Please refer to Table III.4. Excluding the continuation of multiannual projects which were selected after a previous call for proposals. Neither should Technical Assistance measures be taken into account, since they are not considered as “projects”.*

**7. Summary description of the projects funded in the “executing body ” method without a call for expression of interest, a call for proposals or similar selection method, in the annual programmes 2007 through 2009**

*Maximum length: 15 lines*

*Please refer to Table IV.4. Excluding the continuation of multiannual projects which were selected after a previous call for for expression of interest, a call for proposals or similar.*

*Neither should Technical Assistance measures be taken into account, since they are not considered as “projects”.*

**8. Explain any significant change to the distribution of the projects funded in the “awarding body” method, by Priority and by Specific Priority, in the annual programmes 2007 through 2009**

*Maximum length: half a page*

**9. Explain any significant change to the distribution of the projects funded in the “executing body” method, by Priority and by Specific Priority, in the annual programmes 2007 through 2009**

*Maximum length: half a page*

**10. Highlight any significant change (other than the distribution referred to under points 8 and 9) to the projects funded in the “awarding body” and “executing body” method in the annual programmes 2007 through 2009**

*Maximum length: half a page*

In the “awarding body” method

In the “executing body” method

**11. Important projects funded in the annual programmes 2007 to 2009**

*Please describe 1-5 projects under each annual programme which deserve, in your opinion, particular mention since you consider them as a good practice, or of an innovative nature, of interest for other Member States (example of a project supporting an EU policy priority) or of particular value in the light of the multiannual strategy and your national requirements.*

2007 annual programme

*Maximum length: half a page per project*

2008 annual programme

*Maximum length: half a page per project*

2009 annual programme

*Maximum length: half a page per project*

**12. Description of one “success story”, among all the projects funded in the annual programmes 2007 to 2009**

*It is up to you to judge whether a project is to be considered a “success story” in terms of project implementation. If you think the project is also an example of “good practice” which could usefully be implemented elsewhere, please explain why. However, please note that this part is on a success story and it needs not be “good practices”.*

*It is necessary to provide a very concrete description of the project concerned and of the reasons you consider this is a “success story”. It is essential that the description can easily be understood by those who are familiar with the EBF, but not necessarily familiar with your national programme.*

*Maximum length: half a page*

**13. Description of one “failure”, among all the projects funded in the annual programmes 2007 to 2009**

*Among all the projects funded under the programmes from 2007 to 2009, there may be one project which you would regard as an important “failure”, because it proved impracticable, it did not meet expectations, or any other reason for you to judge, and you think there are lessons to be drawn from its failure, for instance in terms of programming, selection and/or evaluation of projects.*

*The project should not be identified (i.e. the name of the project or beneficiary should not be mentioned).*

*It is essential that the description of the project, your justification for a “failure”, and the lessons to be drawn can easily be understood by those who are familiar with the EBF, but not necessarily familiar with your national programme.*

*Maximum length: half a page*

**Part VI**

**TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

**INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY**

*Reference documents to be used for this part:*

- *The information on technical assistance and on information and publicity available to the Responsible Authority*
- *Any relevant national document and information available to the Responsible Authority in these matters*
- *Any independent evaluation of the items addressed below, if available*

**1. Technical assistance**

*Please provide a concrete description of the activities implemented under the Technical Assistance measures of the annual programmes 2007 through 2009. No annual breakdown is required.*

*15 lines maximum*

**2. Information and Publicity**

*Please provide a concrete description of the information and publicity activities (as per Articles 33 and 34 of the EBF Implementing Rules) implemented under the annual programmes 2007 through 2009. No annual breakdown is required.*

*Describe separately the information and publicity activities by the Responsible Authority and those by the final beneficiaries.*

*As part of the information and publicity activities by the Responsible Authority, please specify the yearly information activities which you have organised up to now, as of 2008, the launch of the multiannual programme or the achievements of the annual programme(s), as set out in Article 33 (2)( a) of the EBF Implementing Rules.*

*Please also describe when you developed the website referred to in Article 33(2) (b) of the EBF Implementing Rules and indicate, for each annual programme, when the required data was introduced on the website.*

- Information and publicity activities by the Responsible Authority

*Maximum 15 lines*

- Information and publicity activities by the final beneficiaries

*Maximum 15 lines*

## Part VII

### ASSESSMENT OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANNUAL PROGRAMMES 2007, 2008 AND 2009

*Based on:*

- *All information available to the Responsible Authority on the implementation of each annual programme*
- *Any external evaluation available to the Responsible Authority*

*provide your assessment of the implementation of the annual programmes from 2007 through 2009 for the following items.*

*In each case please explain the reasons for your judgement. If for any item you cannot provide an assessment by June 2010, please answer “Not known by June 2010”.*

## **VII.1. Assessment of the implementation of the 2007 Annual Programme**

- 1. Has the 2007 programme been implemented as originally planned and broadly in line with the programme schedule?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 2. Have you encountered problems on implementation of the 2007 annual programme? If so, what measures did you take?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 3. Has a revision of the 2007 programme by the Commission been necessary? If so, what were the main changes?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 4. Have you implemented the 2007 programme (the case being, the revised programme) fully? (= all or nearly all actions set out in the programme approved by the Commission, or in the revised programme approved by the Commission, could be implemented by the end of this programme)**

*15 lines maximum*

- 5. Have the expected quantitative and qualitative results of the 2007 programme - as set out in the programme / revised programme approved by the Commission - been achieved at the end of this programme?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 6. In the light of the implementation of the 2007 programme, do you consider that the distribution of funding between the actions was appropriate? Were the actions set out in the programme you submitted to the Commission appropriate?**

*15 lines maximum*

## **VII.2. Assessment of the implementation of the 2008 Annual Programme**

- 1. Has the 2008 programme been implemented as originally planned and broadly in line with the programme schedule?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 2. Have you encountered problems on implementation of the 2008 annual programme? If so, what measures did you take?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 3. Has a revision of the 2008 programme by the Commission been necessary? If so, what were the main changes?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 4. Have you implemented the 2008 programme (the case being, the revised programme) fully? (= all or nearly all actions set out in the programme approved by the Commission, or in the revised programme approved by the Commission, could be implemented by the end of this programme)**

*15 lines maximum*

- 5. Have the expected quantitative and qualitative results of the 2008 programme - as set out in the programme / revised programme approved by the Commission - been achieved at the end of this programme?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 6. In the light of the implementation of the 2008 programme, do you consider that the distribution of funding between the actions was appropriate? Were the actions set out in the programme you submitted to the Commission appropriate?**

*15 lines maximum*

### **VII.3. Assessment of the implementation of the 2009 Annual Programme**

- 1. Has the 2009 programme been implemented as originally planned and broadly in line with the programme schedule?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 2. Have you encountered problems on implementation of the 2009 annual programme? If so, what measures did you take?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 3. Has a revision of the 2009 programme by the Commission been necessary? If so, what were the main changes?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 4. Have you implemented the 2009 programme (the case being, the revised programme) fully? (= all or nearly all actions set out in the programme approved by the Commission, or in the revised programme approved by the Commission, could be implemented by the end of this programme)**

*15 lines maximum*

- 5. Have the expected quantitative and qualitative results of the 2009 programme - as set out in the programme / revised programme approved by the Commission - been achieved at the end of this programme?**

*15 lines maximum*

- 6. In the light of the implementation of the 2009 programme, do you consider that the distribution of funding between the actions was appropriate? Were the actions set out in the programme you submitted to the Commission appropriate?**

*15 lines maximum*

#### **VII.4. The Management and Control System for the Fund and the implementation of the Annual Programme 2007 through 2009**

*Based on :*

- *All information available to the Responsible Authority on the implementation of each annual programme 2007 through 2009*
- *The Management and Control system of the External Borders Fund in your Member State*
- *Any external evaluation available to the Responsible Authority*
- *Any other analysis carried out by your government as regards the Fund*

*Provide your assessment for the following item. Please explain the reasons for your judgement.*

- 1. Has the Management and Control System of the External Borders Fund which you designed in 2007-8, been efficient for the implementation of the annual programmes so far?**

*Half a page maximum*

- 2. Please list any changes you have made in the Management and Control System of the External Borders Fund which you designed in 2007-8, bearing in mind the experiences gained/ lessons learned during the implementation of the annual programmes 2007 – 2009 and/or any comments from the Commission and/or audits**

*Half a page maximum*

## Part VIII

### OVERALL ASSESSMENT OF THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAMMES 2007 - 2009

*In case you had recourse to an external expertise for other parts of this report : this part must always be filled in by the Responsible Authority itself*

**VIII.1. What is your overall assessment of the implementation of the External Borders Fund in your Member State from 2007 to 2009?**

*1 page maximum*

**VIII. 2 Taking into account the overall implementation of the External Borders Fund in your Member State from 2007 to 2009, what is your preliminary assessment in relation to the following aspects of the External Borders Fund on the following aspects?**

**1. Relevance of the programme's priorities and actions to the national situation**

**Please describe how relevant the programme's objectives are overall to the problems and needs identified in the field of external border control and visa policy. Has there been an evolution which required a reshaping of the intervention?**

*15 lines maximum*

**2. Effectiveness of the programme**

**Please highlight the key results of the programme overall and the extent to which the desired results and objectives (as set out in the multiannual programme strategy) been attained. Are the effects resulting from the intervention consistent with its objectives?**

*15 lines maximum*

**3. Efficiency of the programme**

**Please estimate the cost of the management of the External Borders Fund so far and whether in your opinion the programme's objectives are being developed in accordance with the original planning and at a reasonable cost.**

*15 lines maximum*

**4. Complementarity**

**Please indicate any issues you have had with establishing the complementarity and/or synergies with other programmes and/or EC financial instruments such as the other Funds of the General Programme, the Thematic Programme on Asylum and Migration and/or the Structural Funds.**

*15 lines maximum*

**5. Added value**

**Please indicate how you perceive the programme's added value in comparison with existing national programmes/policies at national,**

**regional and local level, and in relation to the national budget in the area of intervention of the External Borders Fund.**

*15 lines maximum*

**VIII.3. Any suggestions / recommendations for improvements in the regulatory framework (basic act and implementing rules) and the Commission guidance documents which would help you to streamline and improve the annual programming exercise in general?**

*Half a page maximum*

**VIII.4. Any suggestions / recommendations for improvements in the regulatory framework (basic act and implementing rules) and the Commission guidance documents which would help you to streamline and improve the implementation of the actions / projects and the control mechanisms on the actions/ projects?**

*Half a page maximum*

**VIII. 5. Any suggestions / recommendations for improvements in terms of the guidance and support by the Commission to the Member States on the implementation of the programming exercise and the management and control system?**

*Half a page maximum*

*End of the report*

