



DECISIONS

The European Investment Bank (EIB) on 1 November announced it was lending Syria € 200 million under the Facility for Euro-Mediterranean Investment and Partnership (FEMIP) for the construction of a natural gas-fired combined cycle power plant at Deir Ali, 25 km south of Damascus. This “clean energy” project will be implemented and managed by the Public Establishment of Electricity for Generation and Transmission. The contract was signed by Syria’s Electricity Minister Mounib Saem el-Dahr, and the EIB Vice-President in charge of FEMIP, Philippe de Fontaine Vive. More at <http://www.eib.org/lending/med/en/index.htm>

MEETINGS

- **The EU Council of Ministers meeting on 2 November in Brussels discussed the Middle East with a view to preparing the European Council being held on 4 and 5 November in the same city.** The Council examined draft conclusions drawn up by the Dutch Presidency and heard a presentation by EU High Representative Javier Solana of ideas for short-term practical measures concerning the Palestinian Territories. These ideas cover security structures, the reform agenda, elections, and economic recovery and development. The Council also approved a report to the European Council on **implementation of the EU’s Common Strategy on the Mediterranean region** adopted in June 2000. The report outlines a number of goals the EU should pursue in its policy, including progress with regard to bilateral relations and Association Agreements with Mediterranean Partners, efforts to develop political and security co-operation and promotion of a social and cultural partnership. In addition, the Council recommended to the European Council an extension of the period of application of the Common Strategy by 18 months, until January 2006. More at http://europa.eu.int/news/index_en.htm (please go to ‘Council’, right; click on ‘Press’, top left, and go to ‘Latest News’).
- **Senior Officials of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership responsible for Political and Security Issues will hold two Ad Hoc meetings on 10 November in Brussels, one on the Fight against Terrorism, the other on Euro-Mediterranean aspects of the European Security and Defence Policy (ESDP).** The meeting on Terrorism will include a discussion on Recent Developments in International Fora, and a presentation by the European Commission of the Police component of the MEDA funded Regional Programme on Good Governance and the Rule of Law, managed by the Commission’s EuropeAid Cooperation Office. During the meeting on ESDP Dialogue, Senior Officials will discuss Recent Developments in ESDP, Possibilities and modalities for co-operation on ESDP, as well as the Establishment of a network of Euromed contact points for ESDP.
- **Senior Officials of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership responsible for Political and Security Issues will hold their next regular meeting on 11 November in Brussels, and the Euro-Mediterranean Committee of the Barcelona Process will meet on the same day in the same city.** Both meetings will be devoted to discussing the preparations for the Mid Term Euro-Mediterranean Foreign Ministers’ meeting scheduled for 29 and 30 November in The Hague, the Netherlands. Senior Officials will focus on the Political and Security Chapter of Barcelona while the Euro-Med Committee will address the Economic/Financial and the Cultural/Social/Human Chapters.



- **An informal meeting of the Anna Lindh Foundation's National Networks will take place on 11 November in Brussels on the Dutch Presidency's initiative.** It will bring together representatives of the 35 National Networks (one for each Euro-Mediterranean partner) of the Foundation for Dialogue between Cultures, and the Foundation's Director, Traugott Schöffthaler. The results of the meeting will be presented to the Euro-Mediterranean Committee of the Barcelona Process on 12 November at a working session on the establishment of the Foundation's network of networks and participation of the networks in the Foundation, which will also be attended by the Foundations's Advisory Committee, and the representatives of National Networks. Both meetings will be the next steps towards the establishment of the Foundation.
- **A Conference on 'The new Neighbourhood Instrument, the re-launch of the Barcelona Process, and the role of Decentralised Co-operation' will be held on 5 November in Genoa, Italy as part of the 13th Congressional Assembly of ANCI, the National Association of Italian Municipalities.** A presentation will be made by a European Commission representative of the EU Neighbourhood Policy in the Mediterranean. Representatives of municipalities from both sides of the Mediterranean will tell the Conference of their experience of co-operation between cities. Concluding remarks will be made by Italy's Minister for the Middle East-Mediterranean Directorate at the Foreign Ministry, Eugenio d'Auria.

PROGRAMMES & PROJECTS

▣ CLASSICAL EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN MUSIC IN CARTHAGE

A concert of Classical Eastern Mediterranean Music from the Mashrak and Turkish Ottoman tradition will take place on 6 November in Carthage within the MEDIMUSES project, part of the MEDA funded Euromed Heritage II Regional Programme, managed by the European Commission's EuropeAid Cooperation Office. This will be the 7th in a series of MEDIMUSES concerts entitled 'Musical Traditions of the Mediterranean', and it will feature the Arab Music Ensemble of Amman and the Suleyman Erguner Ensemble from Istanbul. <http://www.euromedheritage.net>

▣ 'EARLY BIRD' OFFER FOR INVESTMENT FORUM (REMINDER)

Decision-makers wishing to take part in the Euro-Mediterranean Investment Forum on 13 and 14 January, 2005 in Marseilles, France can get a preferential rate of € 597 (taxes not incl.) instead of the normal € 1,195 subject to full payment being received before **15 November 2004**. The Forum is organised by Economist Conferences with the support of the MEDA funded ANIMA Programme (Euro-Mediterranean Network of Investment Promotion Agencies) designed to promote investment in the Mediterranean Partners, and managed by the European Commission's EuropeAid Cooperation Office. Please contact EuroMed@development-institute.com. More details at http://www.animaweb.org/news_en.php?id_news=191

▣ A NEW SEARCH ENGINE FOR THE EUROMED SYNOPSIS

Do you want to find the details of a MEDA project launched 6 months ago? Are you looking for the exact date of a Euro-Med conference held in January? A new search engine is there for you at <http://www.euromedheritage.net/en/synopsis/synopsis.php>. The search engine has been set up by the Regional Management & Support Unit for the MEDA funded Euromed Heritage Regional Programme. It covers Euromed Synopsis issues from No 254 on.



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PUBLICATIONS

TWO NEW STUDIES OF THE EURO-MED PARTNERSHIP FROM EUROMESCO

Two new studies published by the MEDA supported Euro-Mediterranean Study Commission (EuroMeSCo), the network of foreign policy institutes, offer two ways of looking at the Barcelona Process. One of them is called "The Partnership in Southern Eyes: Reflections on the Discourse in the Egyptian Press". The other, entitled "Les institutions européennes dans le fonctionnement du Partenariat euro-méditerranéen: de la répartition des compétences à la gestion dynamique du quotidien", examines the role of EU institutions in the Partnership. They are available in English and French respectively from the web site <http://www.euromesco.net>

HERITAGE, TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENT IN LATEST NEWSLETTER FROM JORDAN

The three closely connected themes of Cultural Heritage, Tourism, and the Environment are the focus of the latest issue (Volume 1, No 7) of 'Newline', the newsletter published by the European Commission Delegation in Amman. <http://www.deljor.cec.eu.int>

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Mediterranean Partners

Appointment of a Regional Monitoring and Supervision Unit to provide Monitoring Collection and Dissemination of Results of the MEDA Water Projects

Reference: EuropeAid/120333/C/SV/Multi

Budget EUR: 2500000

Status: Open (until 05.11.2004)

Algeria

Assistance technique pour le programme d'appui à la réforme du secteur de la justice en Algérie

Reference: EuropeAid/119950/C/SV/DZ

Budget EUR: 7320000

Status: Open (until 20.11.2004)

Assistance technique pour l'exécution du Projet d'appui à la réforme du système éducatif en Algérie

Reference: EuropeAid/120212/C/SV/DZ

Budget EUR: 8900000

Status: Open (until 13.11.2004)

Assistance Technique au Ministère de la Formation et de l'Enseignement Professionnels pour la gestion des programmes de recyclage et des plans de formation des entreprises du secteur public

Reference: EuropeAid/120311/D/SV/DZ

Budget EUR: 2175500

Status: Open (until 24.11.2004)

Egypt

Assistance to the Reform of the Technical and Vocational Education and Training System in the Arab Republic of Egypt

Reference: EuropeAid/116311/C/SV/EG

Budget EUR: 22000000

Status: Open (until 26.11.2004)



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Monthly supplement in the written press

Reference: EuropeAid/120309/C/SV/EG

Budget EUR: 200000

Status: Open (until 07.11.2004)

Israel

the production of a single or a series of TV productions (terrestrial and/or satellite) in Hebrew language which will highlight the framework of relations between the EU and Israel against a background of the broader links between Europe and Israel

Reference: EuropeAid/120450/C/SV/IL

Status: Open (until 29.11.2004)

Jordan

Twinning Call for Proposals

Reference: EuropeAid/120397/D/G/JO

Status: Open (until 05.12.2004)

Series of TV Documentaries on EU Jordan Partnership in Arabic

Reference: EuropeAid/120455/C/SV/JO

Status: Open (until 21.11.2004)

Lebanon

MSC Environment No. 02 Middle East Lebanon

Reference: EuropeAid/120050/D/S/LB

Status: Open (until 24.11.2004)

Morocco

Acquisition de bibliobus aménagés et des ressources documentaires destinés aux provinces de taounate sefrou larache figuig khemisset khenifra el jadida et chtouka ait baha / maroc

Reference: EuropeAid/114443/D/S/MA

Status: Open (until 16.12.2004)

Acquisition des équipements médico techniques pour 5 hôpitaux

Reference: EuropeAid/119960/D/S/MA

Status: Open (until 10.11.2004)

Travaux d'équipement du site El Mers Tranche 2 et de restructuration du site Bni Ouriaghel à Tanger

Reference: EuropeAid/120237/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 09.11.2004)

Travaux de construction de réhabilitation et d'aménagement pour la mise à niveau des écoles primaires dans les délégations provinciales de Chtouka Ait Baha Khemisset Sefrou et Khenifra.

Reference: EuropeAid/120270/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 22.11.2004)



Travaux de conservation des eaux et des sols d'amélioration sylvopastorale et d'infrastructures collectives

Reference: EuropeAid/120314/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until ?)

AO N 6/2004 relatif à l'exécution de travaux de création et d'aménagement de points d'eau pour le projet de Développement rural participatif dans le moyen atlas central

Reference: EuropeAid/120435/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 23.11.2004)

08/2004 Khenifra Marché de travaux de plantation et d'infrastructures anti érosives pour le projet de développement rural participatif

Reference: EuropeAid/120446/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 24.11.2004)

AO01 04 Sidi Driss Marché des travaux relatifs à l'aménagement anti érosif et gestion des eaux des neuf sites d'intervention dans les communes rurales de Ait Majden Sour El Aaz Ait Tamllil Sidi Bouklhalef et de Tifni dans le bassin versant de Sidi

Reference: EuropeAid/120452/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 19.11.2004)

Appel d'offres local pour l'acquisition de matériel informatique, matériel et mobilier de bureau et de matériel audiovisuel en 3 lots projet Réseau de Maisons de la Culture

Reference: EuropeAid/120472/M/S/MA

Status: Open (until 11.11.2004)

AO N 11/2004 Marche de fourniture de plants fruitiers pour la campagne 2004 2005 pour le Projet de Développement Rural Participatif

Reference: EuropeAid/120480/M/S/MA

Status: Open (until 17.11.2004)

Ao 02/2004 achat de matériel technique matériel radio de transmission

Reference: EuropeAid/120510/M/S/MA

Status: Open (until 10.11.2004)

AO 03/2004 de fournitures de bureau imprimés et papeterie et de fournitures pour matériel informatique et technique

Reference: EuropeAid/120512/M/S/MA

Status: Open (until 10.11.2004)

Programme de recherche d'appui au projet Arganier

Reference: EuropeAid/120519/D/G/MA

Status: Open (until 01.02.2005)

AON 7/2004 Marché de fourniture de produits pharmaceutiques et vétérinaires

Reference: EuropeAid/120530/M/S/MA

Status: Open (until 02.12.2004)

a.o.n 1/2004 dri/grn travaux d'infrastructures antiérosives de plantations fruitières et d'infrastructures collectives au dpa d'al Hoceima

Reference: EuropeAid/120544/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 03.11.2004)

ao n 6/2004 dri/grn travaux d'infrastructures antiérosives de plantations fruitières et d'infrastructures collectives au dpa de Taounate

Reference: EuropeAid/120545/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 03.11.2004)



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ao n 6/2004 dri/grn travaux de conservation des eaux et des sols d'amélioration sylvopastorale et d'infrastructures collectives dpa de Taza

Reference: EuropeAid/120546/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 03.11.2004)

ao n 1/2004 dri/grn travaux de conservation des eaux et des sols d'amélioration agropastorale et de valorisation de terres agricoles DPA d'Oujda

Reference: EuropeAid/120551/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 08.11.2004)

ao 12/2004 dri/grn travaux de conservation des eaux et des sols d'amélioration agropastorale et de valorisation de terres agricoles DPA de Nador

Reference: EuropeAid/120552/M/W/MA

Status: Open (until 16.11.2004)

Syria

Technical Assistance for the implementation of the Municipal Administration Modernisation project

Reference: EuropeAid/119822/D/SV/SY

Budget EUR: 10000000

Status: Open (until 02.12.2004)

Publication of Three Books about the activity of Preservation of Cultural Heritage Training Programme

Reference: EuropeAid/120513/M/S/SY

Status: Open (until 29.11.2004)

Tunisia

Fourniture et installation des équipements d'irrigation d'un barrage collinaire

Reference: EuropeAid/120318/D/S/TN

Status: Open (until 06.01.2005)

Turkey

Strengthening the Fight Against Organized Crime

Reference: EuropeAid/116371/D/S/TR

Status: Open (until 22.11.2004)

Supply delivery installation putting into operation maintenance and after sales service of the Scientific equipment

Reference: EuropeAid/116477/D/S/TR

Status: Open (until 14.12.2004)

Consulting and Training required for the implementation of the operation Fire Brigades Rehabilitation and Upgrading in the Greater Municipality of Adapazary Province of Sakarya

Reference: EuropeAid/117844/D/SV/TR

Budget EUR: 239184

Status: Open (until 24.11.2004)



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**Consulting and Training required for the implementation of the operation Fire Brigades
Rehabilitation and Upgrading in the Greater Municipality of Izmit Province of Kocaeli**

Reference: EuropeAid/117845/D/SV/TR

Status: Open (until 24.11.2004)

**Call for expression of interest to set up a list of pre selected consultants in order provide
administrative and technical assistance to the Representation of the European Commission.
Deadline for first evaluation round 7 May 2004**

Reference: EuropeAid/119722/C/SV/TR

Status: Open (until 31.01.2007)

**Computer laboratories for the 105 project pilot institutions and technical support to the 30
provincial directories of SVET programme Turkey**

Reference: EuropeAid/120219/D/S/TR

Status: Open (until 29.11.2004)

**Delivery of it and office equipment furniture and additional goods to the vet information
centre/earged/svet project main and regional offices of svet programme - Turkey**

Reference: EuropeAid/120234/D/S/TR

Status: Open (until 24.11.2004)

Detailed information on these tenders can be found in the EuropeAid tender database at:

<http://europa.eu.int/comm/europeaid/cgi/frame12.pl>

For the list of tenders to be viewed together with all related documents, the following should be entered in the QUERY form:

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3. Type: Supplies, Works, Services, Grants (tick everything)
4. Region: Mediterranean Partners
5. Countries: ALL
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