## Table I: Budget line 04.022000 – ESF Technical Assistance operational budget

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1	Services to support dissemination and mainstreaming of ESF innovative measures into the new ESF programming period (2007- 2013)	Support in the dissemination, exchange and mainstreaming of good practice and lessons learnt from ESF Art. 6 projects selected under the call 'Innovative approaches to the management of change' (2004- 2006)	To support the Commission in disseminating, exchanging and mainstreaming good practice and lessons learnt, in particular in view of the joint event F3/C4 for restructuring projects in October/November 2008 and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Demographic Forum in November 2008.	Background document/s (covering restructuring and demographic change projects); conclusions report for the joint restructuring event F3/C4.	60.000	Service contract	First quarter 2008	Negotiated procedure		3	1
2	Services to support exchange and learning between member states, mainstreaming of good practice and lessons learnt	Support for identification, synthesis, validation an dissemination at EU level of good practice from interregional and transnational activities, on key ESF themes and good governance issues	To support the Commission and key stakeholders at regional, national and European level in analysing, disseminating and mainstreaming good practice and lessons learnt from interregional and transnational activities	Mutual learning of ESF managing bodies and strategic stakeholders through good practice fiches, policy briefs, background documents, web articles; brochures and publications	1.200.000	Framework service contract	First quarter 2008	Open tender		,	,

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3	Services to support networking, and events	Preparation, organisation and moderation of seminars, workshops, conferences, networks and focus groups at EU level, and quality management	To assist the Commission in networking of strategic stakeholders and capitalisation of results from ESF activities	Target group focus and delivery of results and quality of support services for networks and events organised at EU level	200.000	Service contracts and framework service contracts	First quarter 2008	Restricted tenders		,	,

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4	Communication and learning platforms for capitalising the lessons learnt from ESF actions	Exchange seminars, policy for, peer reviews, networks and communities of practice on thematic and governance issues	To speed up the dissemination and use of good practice, methods and tools in order to improve the effectiveness and quality of ESF interventions	,	4.000.000	Grants by written agreement	September/ October 2008	In reference to Modex article 168 (d) restriction eligibility grants to bodies within meaning and with functions described in Structural Funds regulation 1083/2006 article 60.	Selection candidates on a basis established criteria; allocation grant on quality criteria in relation to excellence proposals. Main criteria for project selction: cost/benefit; link with ESF priorities; cross border aspects and strength partnerships.	,	90%
5	Preparatory study for the ex-post evaluation of the ESF 2000-2006 - Identification of strengths and weaknesses of possible models and methods- Part II 'Methodologies'	Review of the methods available in order to investigate which approaches (surveys, use of project micro data, anthropologic studies, political sciences enquiries, etc.) could be used to evaluate the different policy fields and domains and would be adapted to the needs of the ESF ex post evaluation	This study aims to draw a clear and demonstrated pro and cons view of all these methods taking into account the ESF evaluation objectives	To provide a clear view of available methodological resources to carry out the ex post evaluation	200.000	Framework Service contract	November / December 2007	Call for offers for specific contract		,	,

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6	ESF Support to the EU Social Inclusion Process - Thematic study	Analysis of the achievements of the ESF in helping to reach the objectives of the EU Social Inclusion process.	The purpose of this evaluation is to assess the support of the European Social Fund Programmes to the EU Social Inclusion Process (also referred to as objectives of the OMC in social inclusion).	To show the coherence and complementarity between the Social Inclusion process and the ESF interventions in social inclusion at different levels (objectives, interventions, target groups).	500.000	Service contract	First quarter 2008	Open tender		,	,
7	ESF impact on the functioning of the labour market and on the investment in human capital infrastructure - Thematic study	Explanation of the role systems and structures play at functioning of the labour market. Typology of the ESF support to systems and structures done during the programming period. Analysis of impacts of the ESF support to systems and structures on the functioning of the LM.	The purpose of this evaluation is to assess impact of the ESF Programmes for the period 2000- 2006 on the functioning of the LM and on the investment in human capital infrastructure particularly through the support to systems, structures and accompanying measures as described in Articles 2 and 3 of the Regulation (EC) n°1784/1999.	To get a better understanding on how and to what extent has the ESF support to systems and structures affected the institutional and administrative settings and how this affected functioning of the labour market (supply side, demand side and matching function).	500.000	Service contract	First quarter 2008	Open tender		3	,

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8	ESF Support to the promotion of quality of work - Thematic study	Definition of the main aspects of Quality of work supported by the ESFAnalysis of ESF instruments used to support Quality of WorkStudy of indicators linked to these aspects and instruments	The aim of the study is to analyze the support of ESF to improve the quality of work during the 2000-2006 programming period.	A picture of the ESF contribution to sustain one of the major social and economic issue: Quality of work	500.000	Service contract	First quarter 2008	Open tender		,	,
9	Ex-post evaluation of the ESF 2000- 2006	Ex post evaluation of the 5 ESF policy fields and 3 cross cutting themes mentioned in article 2 of Regulation (EC) n° 1784/1999 (as well as the ESF contribution to the European Employment Strategy and the Community Added Value).	To assess the effectiveness, efficiency and sustainability of the ESF interventions of the 2000-2006 programmes.	A picture of the use of resources, outputs, results and impacts of the ESF interventions during the 2000-2006 programming period.	1.500.000	Service contract	Second quarter 2008	Open tender		,	,

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10	ESF 2007- 2013 - Strategic evaluations	Planning, preparation, launch and exploitation of 4-6 studies related to policy fields and to monitoring systems. Specific objectives to be decided	To examine the evolution of a programme or group of programmes in relation to Community and national priorities.	To show the contribution of Ops to the implementation of policy priorities and Community objectives.	750.000	Service contract	2008	Open tender		,	,
11	ESF in the future	Study placing ESF in the context of future societal developments with a time horizon of 2020; study in the context of the budget review exercise.	Clarify future challenges in the domains in which the ESF intervenes.	Clear view on potential future priority themes.	200.000	Framework contract	2008	Call for offers from specific contract.			

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12	ESF communication, networking and visibility				200.000	Service contract	2008			,	,
13	Eurobarometer				60.000	Framework contract	2008				

## Summary information ESF operational technical assistance

Budget line 04.022000

Available budget commitments appropriations	€	10.000.000,00
Global proposed amount new commitments	€	9.610.000,00
Difference:	€	390.000,00

Appropriations may be used to cover the payment of interest on late payment due to contractors and beneficiaries in accordance with Article 106 of the Implementing Rules of the Financial Regulation, arising from legal commitments concluded on the current budget line. In addition, late payment interest arising from legal commitments concluded under previous programmes and actions in the field of the European Social Fund, for which no earmarked revenues and no legal basis exist any more, may be paid by the current budget line, if the current budget line is to be considered the closest line.