



Minutes of the PEMPAL TCOP Leadership Group meeting, July 5Th, 2011

TCOP leadership group held a meeting on July 5th, in Bern, Switzerland.

The meeting was attended by: Anila Cili (Ministry of Finance, Albania), David Tsekvava (Ministry of Finance, Georgia), Zaifun Yernazarova (Ministry of Finance, Kazakhstan), Nargiz Djumaeva (Ministry of Finance, Kyrgyzstan), Rustam Boboev (Ministry of Finance, Tajikistan), Natalia Sushko (State Treasury, Ukraine), Elena Nikulina (WB TTL), Ion Chicu (TCOP resource person), Senka Maver (CEF, Slovenia).

Objectives of the meeting:

1. Discussions on Astana TCOP workshop preparation issues
2. Discussions on the preparation of TCOP workshop in Tbilisi

I. TCOP workshop in Astana, Kazakhstan

The following issues related to the workshop preparation have been discussed during the meeting:

- dedication of the first day of the workshop for the presentation and discussions on the Kazakh experience related to the workshop topic (Use of Information Technologies in Treasury Operations). TCOP leaders accepted the proposal of Kazakh representative regarding the presentation of existing treasury information system in her country, as well as the proposal to have a study visit to the Astana territorial treasury, during the first day of the workshop. Also, the tentative structure of the presentation which will be made by hosting country has been discussed and coordinated during the meeting;
- specification of the workshop thematic. The list of questions formulated during the Leadership Group meeting from June 2nd has been confirmed. It was specified, also, that the issues related to the control activities, will be discussed at the workshop in the context of the user administration and delimitation of access for various categories of information systems users;
- format. It was agreed, that the agenda of the workshop will include two small group discussion sessions;
- setting up the bilateral meetings with the representatives of the Kazakh Ministry of Finance. In order to discuss the issues of specific interest regarding treasury activities, several TCOP members expressed their preliminary intentions to have bilateral meetings with the

Ministry of Finance of Kazakhstan representatives. It was agreed, that all requests for organization of bilateral meetings will be submitted by the interested countries, by August 1st, 2011. Those requests will be examined by Kazakh party and the final decisions on the possibility of organization of the requested meetings will be announced by September 15th, 2011.

II. TCOP workshop in Tbilisi, Georgia

In accordance with the earlier adopted decision to hold a workshop in November 2011, in Tbilisi, TCOP leaders discussed the following issues related to the preparation of this meeting:

- The dates of carrying out of the workshop. During the discussions it was agreed, that the meeting will be held during the second part of November, 2011, tentatively – on 22-24th.
- The thematic of the workshop. TCOP leaders agreed, that during the Tbilisi workshop, issues related to the use of treasury systems for implementation of donor funded projects will be discussed. Also, the topic of management of the projects implemented in public finance systems of PEMPAL TCOP member countries will be discussed during the workshop.
- The format and number of participants. The representative of Georgia proposed to have a full TCOP workshop in Tbilisi, attended by all community's members. Taking into account, that the TCOP Activity Plan and Budget for 2010-2012 provides the carrying out of a small format workshop (up to 25 participants) devoted to these topics, TCOP leaders agreed to additionally examine the budget constraints and to have a final decision on the format of the Tbilisi workshop, by September 15th, 2011.

Main conclusions of the TCOP Leadership Group meeting:

- The first part of the Astana workshop meeting will be devoted to the presentation of Kazakhstan experience in the area of the use of information technologies in treasury operations. The presentation will cover all thematic questions formulated by TCOP leaders during their meeting from June 2nd, 2011.
- Requests for organizing bilateral meetings on the specific interest for participating countries, will be submitted by August 1st, 2011.
- The workshop devoted to the topic of the use of treasury systems for implementation of donor funded projects, as well as to the topic of management of projects implemented in public finance systems of PEMPAL TCOP member countries, can be carried out on November 22-24th, 2011 in Tbilisi, Georgia

- The final decision on the format and number of Tbilisi workshop participants, will be taken following the revision by PEMPAL Steering Committee of the TCOP Activity Plan and Budget for 2010-2012.
- Ion Chicu will will prepare and circulate the minutes of the leadership group meeting, by July 15th, 2011.