

Monitoring Report (for publication)

Contract number:	6550-00/2022 / ENI/2021/427-494
Project/programme title:	EU4Moldova – Local Communities (LOCOMO)
Country / countries / region:	Moldova (Edinet, Leova, Strasenii)
Implementing Organisation-s:	GIZ, ADA
Project duration:	01.01.2022 – 31.12.2025
Interlocutors:	EUD Chisinau, GIZ, LOCOMO Project Management Team

Project progress

1. Progress in achieving project outcome(s) and outputs per logical framework:
The project activities are progressing as planned and specified during the inception phase.
2. Assessment of project expenditures: *Expenditures have been as planned.*
3. How do you assess measures taken to manage gender, social and environmental impact (follow-up of any recommendations from the EGSi assessment, if applicable)?
The recommendations and mitigation measures resulting from the EGSIA (Environmental, Gender and Social Impact Assessment) are being incorporated into the project activities and monitored.
4. Are risk assessment and risk management plans up to date? How do you assess the functioning of risk monitoring and risk management of the project?
The PMT is constantly monitoring the risks. The Risk Management Plan was last updated on 17.11.2023 and will be updated bi-annually, respectively when an imminent need occurs.
5. Has the project encountered unexpected challenges?
The war against Ukraine poses a potential risk for the project, although up to now the project activities have not been affected by the war directly. However, a challenge is the high inflation rate and consequently increasing prices which lead to a budget gap. Therefore, the total number of small projects had to be reduced from 14 to 8 and ADA has topped up the budget with EUR 4.5 Mio.
6. How do you assess perspectives for impact and sustainability of the intervention? (only if monitoring visit takes place towards the end of the project) *Not applicable at the moment.*
7. How have past recommendations (incl. evaluations) been considered (if applicable)? New recommendations (to whom)?
The recommendation to identify specific environmental/climate, gender and social impact was followed by commissioning an EGSIA, which yielded mitigation measures that are considered in the project activities.

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