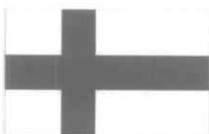




UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
GOVERNMENT OF THE LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
ACCELERATED CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE LAO PDR IN
INTERNATIONAL LAW

International Law Project Phase III
Project Document



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Project Title: Accelerated Capacity Development for the Lao PDR in International Law

UNDAF Outcome(s): Governance, Rule of Law and Human Rights

Expected CP Outcome(s): Progressive realization of international treaty obligations, including protection of human rights, in accordance with the Lao Constitution and the Millennium Declaration (CPAP Outcome 9)

Increased and more equitable access to justice and strengthened rule of law (CPAP Outcome 7)

Expected Output(s):

- Capacity development to undertake more effectively tasks needed for implementation application and progressive realization of international treaties (CPAP (4.4))
- Raising awareness (within the Government and the public at large) about the importance of international law and human rights as a strategy and means to furthering Lao legal priorities and development objectives (CPAP (4.4))

Implementing Partner: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Department of Treaties and Law

Responsible Parties: Ministry of Justice, National Assembly, Prosecutor's Office , UNDP

Programme Period: 2007-2011 Key Result Area (Strategic Plan): Governance Atlas Award ID: 50492 Start date: 1 January 2009 End Date: 31 December 2012 PAC Meeting Date: 10 December 2008 Management Arrangements: National Implementation (Ministry of Foreign Affairs)	2009 AWP budget: USD 987,320 Total resources required: USD 3,825,000 Total allocated resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular (UNDP) 525,000 • Other: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o EU 625,000* o Finland 2,250,000* In-kind Contributions (GoL) 60,000 Unfunded budget: 425,000
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This is a follow-up Project to Phase II of *The International Law Project 2005-2008*. The primary objective is to enhance the participation of the Lao PDR in the international legal system by developing a comprehensive capacity development for the country to meet the demands of its increasing participation in treaties and in international law generally. While previous phases of the Project have been very successful, the ability of the country to absorb aid and to participate effectively in international law is undermined by lack of adequate capacity. The focus of the Project is therefore to develop capacity for the immediate and long term needs of the Lao PDR by:

- providing specialist training for personnel in the MoFA with particular attention to the Department of Treaties and Law and International Organisation and other relevant departments in the ministry;
- strengthening the capacity of selected institutions that provide training infrastructure in international law;
- providing training to the Judiciary, Line Ministries, law enforcement agencies and CSOs in monitoring international law application and raising awareness about it in the Lao PDR;
- strengthening the capacity of the National Assembly in the adoption and implementation of treaties.

The Project has duration of 4 years with an estimated budget of USD 3,825,000.

Agreed by:
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Date: 5 February 2009

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