

National Phare 2000

Compliance of agriculture and regional statistics with the European Statistical system

The project had the following components:

Agriculture statistics

Main objectives:

- a. Ensuring the necessary background for carrying out the General Agricultural Census **(2002)** as a essential point of reference for definition of national agricultural policy in line with the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) through:
 - o Designing of **a global database for agricultural surveys** and of the strategy for the development of this database and of the integrated information system for the management of each sub-system;
 - o Implementation of **the IT system for validating and storing of farm structure survey data** – tool which meet the EU requirements on provision of data related to individual farm structure survey on agricultural households in compliance with the acquis Communautaire;
 - o Design and implementation of **a query system for disseminating the farm structure survey data** comprising an automatic and effective statistical disclosure control which allows to obtain a large amount of tables in the requested format with the general agricultural census and all future FSS results and meet the confidentiality requirements;
 - o **Definition and implementation of the farm structure survey methodologies** including sampling plans, SGM calculation, typology rules.
- b. **Introduction of EU norms and standards into the main agricultural surveys (land use survey, crop production survey, animal production survey, agricultural prices survey).**

The transfer of know-how and technical assistance for achieving these objectives were ensured through a twinning covenant signed with ISMEA/ Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry- Italy.

Regional statistics

Main objectives:

- The creation of statistical infrastructure for regional statistical offices with the appropriate computing facilities inter-connected at central level with the NCS HQS and with the county statistical offices and other bodies providing regional statistics based on administrative record;
- Initiating and developing **three statistical surveys**, providing regional data on:
 - **Demography of small and medium enterprises (SMEs)**- project oriented mainly towards preparing the necessary infrastructure for building up enterprises statistics at regional level;
 - **Goods transport by road** - project based on the methodology of the pilot project on the road transport of goods carried out at the national level, ensuring representativity at regional level (in the north -west and south-east regions);

- **Social statistics (living conditions)** - project covering the general and particular aspects of living conditions including poverty aspects in defined deprived areas (north-east and south-west).
- **Training** of the personnel in acquiring skills on statistical matters in general and those of regional profile in particular as well as those regarding managerial skills.

Investment: IT, printing and office equipment

The activities carried out within the project were finalised in 2004.