



Development Assistance Operators from the EU New Member States: Experiences, Trends and Challenges

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The Czech Development Agency (CDA) was established by a decision of the Czech Minister of Foreign Affairs in January 2008. The newly established Agency is responsible for supporting implementation of the Czech development cooperation. CDA has taken up activities of the Czech Development Center which ceased to exist at the end of 2007.

Czech Development Agency is mainly responsible for:

- Identification of project ideas in priority countries
- Formulation of projects and contractual documents
- Administrative support for grants of the MFA
- Tendering procedures
- Contracting with suppliers of goods, services and works
- Supporting Czech stakeholders aiming to take part in development cooperation of other donors, esp. the European Commission
- Enhancing capacities of the NGOs and other ODA stakeholders, including organizing professional trainings
- Generates data for reporting on Czech ODA

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