

STATUS OF PROJECTS IN EXECUTION – FY08

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COUNTRY: LITHUANIA

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Introduction

The Status of Projects in Execution (SOPE) Report for FY08 provides information on all IBRD/IDA projects that were active as of June 30, 2008. For the first time, the SOPE report will include recipient-executed projects (over US\$ 5 million). The World Bank has issued a SOPE Report every year as an internal communication to the Board of Executive Directors. In accordance with the Bank's revised disclosure policy, since FY02, the SOPE Report is available to the public.

The report is intended to bridge the gap in information available to the public between the Project Appraisal Document or Program Document, disclosed after the Bank approves a project, and the Implementation Completion Report, disclosed after the project closes.

In addition to the project progress description, the FY08 SOPE report¹ contains project level comparisons of disbursement estimates and actual disbursements, and a table showing the loan/credit/grant amount and disbursements to date.

¹ Notes:

- Amounts and graphs for loans/credits/grants in currencies other than U.S. dollars may not match exactly due to exchange rate fluctuations over the life of the project.
- Graphs of original estimates for some recipient-executed projects might not exist since they are not required in the project document.
- Disbursement graphs are not included for Development Policy Operations, which provide quick-disbursing financing to support policy and institutional reforms. For these operations, funds are disbursed in one or more stages (tranches), released when the borrower complies with agreed prior actions.
- Projects which are not yet effective may not have a planned disbursement schedule and thus will not include a graph.

Project Name (ID): KLAIPEDA PORT (P035776)

Country: Lithuania

Board Approval Date: 05/11/2000

Midterm Review Date: 07/19/2002

Closing Date: 12/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-21584, TF-29138, IBRD-70140

Sector(s): Ports, waterways and shipping (100%)

Theme(s): Infrastructure services for private sector development (P), Pollution management and environmental health (S), Water resource management (S)

Project Development Objectives:

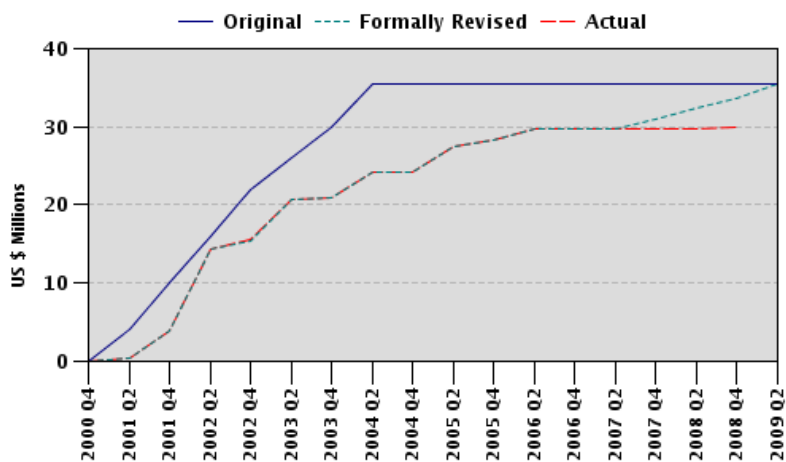
The main objective of the project is to strengthen the long-term competitiveness of the Port of Klaipeda in the Baltic Region. The secondary objective is to improve environmental conditions at the port.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

The modernization works carried out under the project (rehabilitation of the breakwaters, dredging and shipwrecks removal) have allowed the port to accommodate a steady increasing traffic.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30, 2008)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-21584	Closed	1.80	1.32	0.00	0.16
TF-29138	Closed	0.41	0.25	0.00	0.19
IBRD-70140	Effective	35.36	29.96	5.40	0.00



Project Name (ID): VILNIUS HEAT DEMAND MANAGEMENT (GEF) (P073242)

Country: Lithuania

Board Approval Date: 06/10/2003

Midterm Review Date: 03/09/2007

Closing Date: 12/31/2008

Loan/Credit/Grant Number: TF-50314, TF-52278

Sector(s): District heating and energy efficiency services (100%)

Theme(s): Climate change (P), Municipal governance and institution building (S), Corporate governance (S)

Project Development Objectives:

The objectives are to: (a) reduce the cost of district heat supply in Vilnius, with benefits to consumers and to the current account deficit as a result of reduced fuel consumption; (b) improve the quality of district heating supply, both in terms of reliability and responsiveness to customers# needs; (c) yield fiscal benefits to the government by increasing the taxable profits of Vilnius District Heating Company and by reducing the number of households which require heat and hot water subsidies aimed at low income families; and (d) support the commercial viability and possible future privatization of the Vilnius District Heating Company.

Progress toward achieving development objective(s):

Some progress has been made towards achieving the development objectives. The Vilnius City Municipality Component for building envelope improvements has disbursed 35% of the GEF grant amount allocated to it. This component had shown promising results in early and mid-2007 after successfully involving commercial banks in the delivery of GEF-financed loans to homeowners but then activity slowed down towards the end of the year. The municipally-owned company AB Vilniaus Silumos Tinklai currently plays the role of the Program Coordinator and also has a 50% share in the new non-profit entity Atnaujinkime Miesta, which is the prime mover in connection with establishment of a project pipeline and where a private bank holds the other 50% share. It appears that a proposal to decrease the share of Parex Bank has been one of the reasons why activities have slowed down.

In the Vilniaus Energija (VE) component (apartment level demand-side management measures), it has proven difficult to convince apartment owners to invest in demand side management measures without also offering to reduce the heat losses through building envelope improvements. The VE component only managed to disburse 29% of the GEF grant amount allocated before the component closed on June 30, 2008.

Lending Information/Disbursement Summary (USD millions, as of June 30, 2008)

Loan/Credit/Grant	Status	Amount	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Cancellation
TF-50314	Closed	2.50	0.72	0.00	0.00
TF-52278	Effective	4.00	1.58	2.42	0.00

