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# Implementation Status & Results

## Kazakhstan

## KAZSTAT: Strengthening the National Statistical System of Kazakhstan (P120985)

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| Operation Name: | KAZSTAT: Strengthening the National Statistical System of Kazakhstan (P120985) | Project Stage: | Implementation | Seq.No: | 3 | Status: ARCHIVED | Archive Date: 22-Dec-2012 |

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| | Country: Kazakhstan | Approval FY: | 2011 |
| Product Line: IBRD/IDA | Region: EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA | Lending Instrument: | Adaptable Program Loan |
| Implementing Agency(ies): | | | |

## Key Dates

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| Board Approval Date | 31-Mar-2011 | Original Closing Date | 30-Apr-2017 | Planned Mid Term Review Date | 30-Nov-2013 | Last Archived ISR Date | 07-Jul-2012 |
| Effectiveness Date | 24-Feb-2012 | Revised Closing Date | 30-Apr-2017 | Actual Mid Term Review Date | | | |

## Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

**The main objective of the project is to improve efficiency and effectiveness of the national statistical system to provide relevant, timely and reliable data in line with internationally accepted methodology and best practices. The project will upgrade the conceptual, methodological and analytical skills of the ASRK and other data producer and user agencies of the country. This will position the ASRK to respond quickly and effectively to the new needs and priorities that will arise in the future. The main beneficiaries ofthe project outcomes are the ASRK, the Government and the general public as well as international development partners.**

**The principal outcome of this project will be an improved national statistical system that can inform the Government#s decision-making processby providing timely and accurate economic and social data. It will also help Government monitor progress towards national development goals. The specific outputs of the project are:improved institutional framework that will encourage statistical development; improved information technology (IT) infrastructure; strengthened human resources through training in statistical operations; improved statistical infrastructure through application of internationally accepted methodologies and data quality standards; developed statistical production system that continuously adapts to evolving needs of the society and economy through user-producer dialogues; institutionalized core statistical activities, including poverty monitoring;increased output of reliable statistics by consolidating andstrengthening existing surveys and administrative sources, and by designing and conducting new data-generating activities; and timely dissemination, information-sharing, and the use of data for policy decisions.**

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project?

○ Yes ◉ No

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## Component(s)

| Component Name | Component Cost |
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| Improvement of the Institutional Framework and Operations of the Statistical System | 1.21 |
| Improvement of Information and Communication Systems and Physical Infrastructure | 6.16 |
| Improvement of Human Resources | 0.70 |
| Improvement of Statistical Infrastructure, Standards and Methodology | 1.59 |
| Improvement of user, provider and statistical agency relations | 1.25 |
| Improvement of Individual Subject Matter Programs and Methodologies | 8.44 |
| Project Management | 0.42 |

## Overall Ratings

| | Previous Rating | Current Rating |
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| Progress towards achievement of PDO | Satisfactory | Satisfactory |
| Overall Implementation Progress (IP) | Satisfactory | Satisfactory |
| Overall Risk Rating | | Low |

## Implementation Status Overview

The Agency completed contract negotiations with the twinning partner (a consortium of six statistical agencies - Statistics Finland, Statistical Office of Slovak Republic, Czech Statistical Office, Statistics Korea, Statistical Office of Russian Federation - led by German Federal Statistical Office) and signed the contract on September 28, 2012. Inception missions started in early October and by the end of November 2012 eleven inceptions missions were completed.

## Locations

| Country | First Administrative Division | Location | Planned | Actual |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kazakhstan | Not Entered | Baykonyr | | |
| Kazakhstan | Not Entered | Astana | | |
| Kazakhstan | Not Entered | Almaty | | |

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## Results

### Project Development Objective Indicators

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| Indicator Name | Core | Unit of Measure | | Baseline | Current | End Target |
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| Access to information/dissemination | ☐ | Percentage | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 30-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | ASRK has been conducting user satisfaction surveys since 2008 with questions mainly about the type of organization (state 61%, business 13%, education 13%, other 12%); satisfaction with the volume of published statistics (85.7%); satisfaction with presentation of statistics (good 44.4%, bad, more analytics needed 47.1, more graphics needed); reliability of statistical data 33.2% trust fully,74% trust to 75%;, preferred way of receiving statistical information – direct access to DB including via Internet (66.2%); usage ofwebsite (yes 51.31%/no 48.9%); availability of needed information (yes 50%/no); and suggestions for improvement. It contains no question about DATA QUALITY. | The key experts from the twinning partner will start working on this issue in February/March 2013. | 80% of users are satisfied by ASRK products. |
| Coverage/ Accuracy / Reliability of data | ☐ | Years | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 30-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | ASRK has a website that includes some metadata and can track how many time their website was accessed. The website needs significant improvement as well as the production of data and publications in electronic format (CD). | Average daily visit to ASRK website is around 1540 with a 5890 page view a day. This indicates that annual target of 400,000 visitswill be met. | Number of visits to the web-site of the Agency will reach 800 000 a year. |
| Timeliness of data | ☐ | Years | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 30-Apr-2017 |

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| | | | Comments | ARKS complies with the international standards and bring its methodology into line with up-to-date international standards with certain delay (usually one year) | The inception mission was completed and the key experts will start working with the relevant staff of the ASRK. | 100% of standards and classifications fully comply with the international standards |
| Statistical outputs are released within the time limits and with frequency meeting SDDS requirements | ☐ | Percentage | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 30-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | In majority, ASRK meets the requirements of SDDS | The inception mission related to this indicator was completed and the key experts will start working with the relevant staff of theASRK. The target of 40 % will be achieved by the end of the year. | All Statistical outputs are released on internationally accepted time line. |

**Intermediate Results Indicators**

| Indicator Name | Core | Unit of Measure | | Baseline | Current | End Target |
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| Mechanisms for effective inter-agency coordination are established and operational. | ☐ | Text | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 29-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | ARKS coordinates statistical activities and collection of official data. But, there was no comprehensive evaluation of existing departmental and centralized statistical reporting conducted in terms of usefulness of data collected, identification of unnecessary information and duplication. | Intergovernmental Project Coordination Working Group is functioning and coordination is improved. | Effective inter-agency coordination is in place. |
| Mechanisms for effective dialogue with the data users and providers are operational | ☐ | Text | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 29-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | Underdeveloped. No user needs survey was conducted. | The inception mission on user producer relations was completed and actual needs of the agency and a draft work plan were developed. | Effective dialog between users and producers of statistical data is in place. |

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| ARKS central and local level structure optimized and staff trained including staff from relevant ministries and agencies. | ☐ | Text | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 30-Apr-2012 |
| | | | Comments | Optimization was not conducted. Local level staff is trained by central office staff. In some cases, some personnel at both central and local levels were trained by international organizations. | Two inception missions on human resources management and institutional framework were conducted and a draft work program including proposed study visits was prepared. | 100% of local and regional offices are optimized and staff trained. |
| Registers are compiled and being maintained. | ☐ | Text | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 29-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | Takes place, but, there are problems of register actualization, use of data for the surveys. | A key expert from the consortium visited the agency and conducted the inception mission on statistical registers. Planned activities and work program developed and agreed. | All registers are properly maintained and used for sample surveys. |
| Internationally accepted classifications standards and methodologies are adapted and used in data production. | ☐ | Text | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 29-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | Introduction of changes into internationally accepted classifications is needed. | The inception mission on classifications and standards was completed and actual work will start in early 2013. | ARKS is in full compliance with the international classification and standards. |
| Standard questionnaires for surveys developed and applied. | ☐ | Text | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 29-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | Was not developed. | The inception mission on sample survey and statistical toolkit was completed and work on computer assisted personal interview is underway. | All existing questionnaires and official statistical forms are reviewed and revised. |
| ICT Capacity for operations is adequate and well maintained. | ☐ | Text | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 29-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | Some of the workstations are outdated ICT needs improvement. | The inception mission on ICT and web portal development was completed and actual work has already started. A training and study visit by ASRK staff was conducted with very positive results. | ICT network was installed and operational |

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| All relevant staff at ARKS have workstations with access to databases for analysis and tabulations. | ☐ | Percentage | Value | | | |
| | | | Date | 17-Mar-2011 | 20-Nov-2012 | 30-Apr-2017 |
| | | | Comments | Needs improvement. | Some relevant software were procured and will be installed soon. Procurement process of workstations will start in 2013. | All staff have workstations and able to use them effectively. |

## Data on Financial Performance (as of 15-Nov-2012)

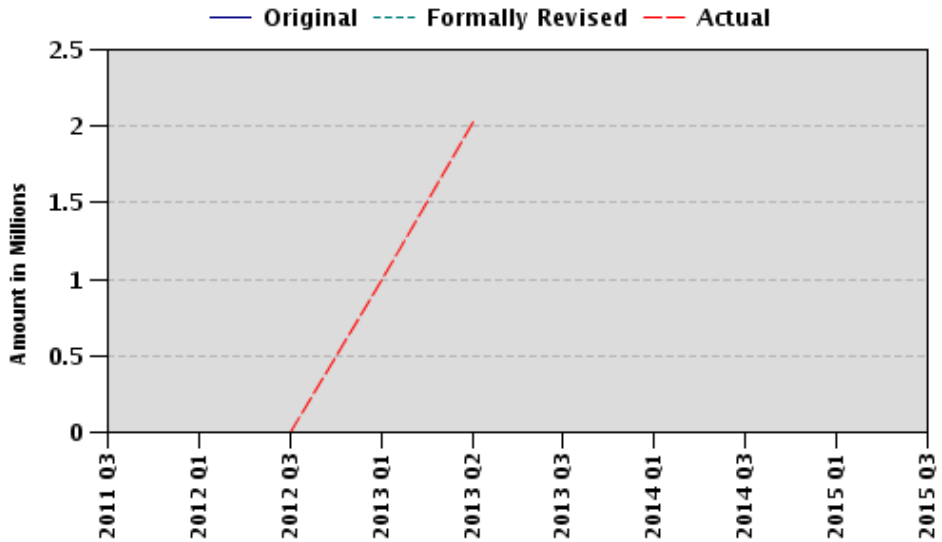
### Financial Agreement(s) Key Dates

| Project | Ln/Cr/Tf | Status | Approval Date | Signing Date | Effectiveness Date | Original Closing Date | Revised Closing Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| P120985 | IBRD-80230 | Effective | 31-Mar-2011 | 26-Aug-2011 | 24-Feb-2012 | 30-Apr-2017 | 30-Apr-2017 |

### Disbursements (in Millions)

| Project | Ln/Cr/Tf | Status | Currency | Original | Revised | Cancelled | Disbursed | Undisbursed | % Disbursed |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| P120985 | IBRD-80230 | Effective | USD | 20.00 | 20.00 | 0.00 | 2.03 | 17.97 | 10.00 |

## Disbursement Graph




## Key Decisions Regarding Implementation

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## Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

## Related Projects

There are no related projects.

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