

Press Release

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Head of EU Delegation to Moldova participates in the official opening ceremony of the Nisporeni Business Incubator in Nisporeni

On Wednesday 19 November, 2014 an event marking the official opening of the Nisporeni Business Incubator was held in the premises of the new Business Incubator established in Nisporeni, Republic of Moldova.

The official opening event was organised by the Moldovan Organisation for the Development of SMEs (ODIMM) and included official opening statements by, amongst others, HE Adrian Candu, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy of the Republic of Moldova and HE Pirkka Tapiola, Head of the EU Delegation to the Republic of Moldova.

The European Union is supporting concrete aid programmes and initiatives in the field of small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) development with the Economic Stimulation in Rural Area Budget Support Programme (ESRA BSP) being a key platform for development.

The total EU financial assistance provided through the ESRA BSP programme during 2010-2014 was approximately EUR 72 million, with one of the focal intervention areas being the creation of Rural Business Incubators in the Republic of Moldova,.

In this context, Ambassador Pirkka Tapiola, Head of the EU Delegation to Moldova, outlined the role Business Incubators play in the creation of new businesses and jobs, and their relevance to rural economic activity in the Republic of Moldova:

"The Nisporeni Business Incubator, which we open today is the seventh Business Incubator built and opened under the Economic Stimulation in Rural Area Budget Support Programme and it is anticipated that an additional rural Business Incubator will be opened in Cimislia late this or early next year. Currently, over 125 Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) and individual entrepreneurs are hosted by the 7 operational Business Incubators, in the process creating over 500 jobs, of which more than 150 female".

Background information:

The official opening of the Nisporeni Business Incubator was attended by over 75 participants including officials from central, rayon and city authorities, EU Delegation and the ESRA Technical Assistance project as well as local businessmen and entrepreneurs including the new tenants of the Nisporeni Business Incubator.

Photo caption:

Ambassador Pirkka Tapiola, Head of the EU Delegation to the Republic of Moldova delivering his opening remarks at the official opening ceremony of the Nisporeni Business Incubator.



For more information

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