

## Data Sheet

<b>USAID Mission:</b>	Uzbekistan
<b>Program Title:</b>	Cross-Cutting Programs
<b>Pillar:</b>	Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade
<b>Strategic Objective:</b>	122-0420
<b>Status:</b>	Continuing
<b>Planned FY 2006 Obligation:</b>	\$1,400,000 FSA
<b>Prior Year Unobligated:</b>	\$2,038,000 FSA
<b>Proposed FY 2007 Obligation:</b>	\$1,551,000 FSA
<b>Year of Initial Obligation:</b>	2001
<b>Estimated Year of Final Obligation:</b>	2007

**Summary:** The cross-cutting programs support all of USAID's strategic objectives, and include four main components: training to support USAID's technical assistance programs; grant-making assistance provided by the Eurasia Foundation to indigenous non-governmental organizations; exchanges under the Community Connections Program to enhance public diplomacy; and program development support for cross-cutting evaluations, technical assistance, management needs, public outreach, and incorporation of perspectives from religious leaders into programming.

### **Inputs, Outputs, Activities:**

#### **FY 2006 Program:**

Program Support (\$1,400,000 FSA, \$1,912,119 FSA carryover, \$126,181 FSA prior year recoveries).

**Participant Training Program:** USAID will continue participant training to complement ongoing technical assistance in the following areas: improved environment for growth of small and medium enterprises, enhanced trade through cross-border opportunities, strengthened democratic culture, improved management of critical natural resources, increased utilization of quality primary health care, sources of conflict mitigated in target communities, and quality of education improved. Of particular note, in FY 2006, the Participant Training Program will expand agricultural training programs to inform an additional 1,680 farmers about their legal rights and to strengthen their business management and marketing skills. Additionally, in spring 2006, a conference will be organized in Tajikistan with training resources to bring together religious leaders from across the region to discuss religious extremism, including participants from Uzbekistan. Also, training that raise awareness of international norms of religious freedom will be organized for varied groups, including advocates, religious leaders, and human rights activists through the participant training program. More than 2,000 participants will be trained through Participant Training activities in Uzbekistan during FY 2006. Principal contractor/grantee: Academy for Educational Development (prime).

**Community Connections.** In FY 2006, USAID will begin implementation of the Community Connections Program, a public diplomacy initiative previously funded by the State Department. Through the program, approximately 60 Uzbek citizens per year will participate in exchanges to promote mutual understanding between the United States and Uzbekistan through exposure to U.S. society and personal connections with Americans. In addition, a Muslim outreach program will be supported as a follow-on program to the previously FSA-funded/State Department-implemented Cultural and Religious Pluralism Program. The program will support training and exchange of religious leaders and will emphasize religious freedom, cultural diversity, and the active role that religion can play in the development process in transition countries. The Community Connections Program will help achieve USG priorities in Uzbekistan by targeting professional groups and individual entrepreneurs that are central to economic and democratic reform. Exchange programs will last from 3-5 weeks, and be tailored to the individual needs of participants. Principal contractor/grantee: World Learning (prime) and American Councils for International Education (sub).

**Eurasia Foundation.** The Eurasia Foundation will target approximately 40 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that contribute to private sector development and civil society strengthening

through small grants. The NGOs will also benefit from institutional strengthening through intensive planning, reporting, and financial management training. In particular, in FY 2006, Eurasia Foundation will expand its Ferghana Valley Initiative to provide targeted grants to increase dialogue and cross-border linkages in this conflict-prone region. The Eurasia Foundation will promote NGO advocacy and accountability to both inform the government and public about the positive contributions of NGOs and to give NGOs the tools to better defend and advocate their interests. Principal contractor/grantee: Eurasia Foundation (prime).

Program Support A wide range of program support will continue to be funded, including evaluations, technical assistance, management needs, public outreach, and staff costs. As required, funding will enable USAID to take advantage of unanticipated opportunities to advance or reinforce USAID strategic objectives. Furthermore, USAID will expand outreach efforts to engage traditional religious leaders in the region. The goal of this initiative is to better inform religious leaders about USAID programs and to bridge the gap with traditional community leaders whose views, in the past, have not generally been incorporated into USAID programmatic decision-making. In accomplishing this goal, USAID will conduct tours of its programs for religious leaders and the media, hold regular representational events with religious leaders, and work with technical assistance providers to incorporate religious leaders into development activities. Principal contractor/grantee: N/A.

**FY 2007 Program:**

Program Support: (\$1,551,000 FSA).

Community Connections: USAID will continue the Community Connections Program, providing both professionals and businessmen with the opportunity to learn about U.S. society while enhancing their knowledge in areas of expertise. Approximately 60 Uzbek citizens will participate in the program during FY 2007. Principal contractors/grantees: World Learning (prime) and American Councils for International Education (sub).

Eurasia Foundation. The Eurasia Foundation will continue to provide grants and institutional strengthening on an open-door basis to approximately 40 non-governmental organizations in Uzbekistan that work in the sectors of private enterprise development, civil society strengthening, and public administration. Principal contractor/grantee: Eurasia Foundation (prime).

Program Support A wide range of program and personnel support activities will continue. As required, funding will enable USAID to support unanticipated opportunities to advance or reinforce USAID objectives. Additionally, religious outreach efforts will continue and be expanded, through tours for and representational events with religious leaders. Principal contractor/grantee: N/A.

**Performance and Results:** In FY 2005, USAID trained over 4,700 Uzbek citizens (approximately 60% women) through the Participant Training Program. Training programs focused on the newly-privatized agricultural sector, fostering the growth of self-governance through the development of local neighborhood committees, anti-trafficking issues, water resources management, improved primary health care, and WTO accession. Building on previous trainings, the Participant Training Program also informed 1,271 farmers about their legal rights and sharpened their business management and marketing skills.

Eurasia Foundation provided approximately \$1,260,000 in USAID-funded technical assistance to approximately 27 local institutions in FY 2005. Eurasia Foundation directed more than half of its core funding toward private enterprise development; the remainder targeted civil society. During the fiscal year, the Eurasia Foundation succeeded in augmenting USAID funding with more than \$200,000 in leveraged funds from six non-U.S. Government donors in Uzbekistan. The Eurasia Foundation also moved closer to establishing the Eurasia Foundation of Central Asia, an independent, local foundation that will be launched in February 2006, as a means of continuing Eurasia Foundation activities in Uzbekistan after core USAID funding ends.

## US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Uzbekistan

	ESF	FSA
122-0420 Cross-Cutting Programs		
<b>Through September 30, 2004</b>		
Obligations	112	38,095
Expenditures	112	28,961
Unliquidated	0	9,134
<b>Fiscal Year 2005</b>		
Obligations	0	2,780
Expenditures	0	0
<b>Through September 30, 2005</b>		
Obligations	112	40,875
Expenditures	112	28,961
Unliquidated	0	11,914
<b>Prior Year Unobligated Funds</b>		
Obligations	0	2,038
<b>Planned Fiscal Year 2006 NOA</b>		
Obligations	0	1,400
<b>Total Planned Fiscal Year 2006</b>		
Obligations	0	3,438
<b>Proposed Fiscal Year 2007 NOA</b>		
Obligations	0	1,551
Future Obligations	0	4,420
Est. Total Cost	112	50,284