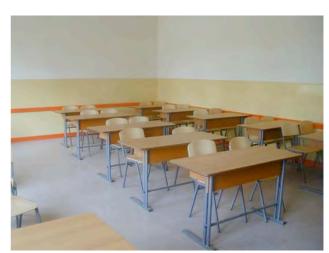




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Type of Project:	School	Country:	Kosovo
Approach:	Contracted works	Realisation: Year:	2004
Project name:	Dubravë School extension	Version 1	Date: 2004





Initial Situation, Context

As the works were progressing for the Dubrava RAE return programme, (credit No. 7F-02958.02.01) we were approached by the school director and the local authorities asking if it would be possible to improve the school situation by extending the school with at least two classrooms in order to incorporate the pupils of the returning families.

Goals, Beneficiaries:

The overall goal of the programme was to contribute to sustainable return and reintegration of K-Ashkali families from Montenegro to Kosovo in the Dubrava village.

Approach:

The work consists in building an extension of the school with two classrooms, storage for wood and refection of the roof of the old school and also internal painting of the old school. All work done by contractor.

Partner(s):

The following partners participated in this programme:

- FOR, for the financing of the project.
- Municipality of Istog (Directorate for Education).
- · School Director
- MEST (Ministry for Education, Science and Technology).
- The contractor Ekonkos, for the execution of the project.

Implementation/Results:

The project was implemented successfully. During the construction of the extension we found that it's necessary to repair the roof of the old school and to change completely the roof tiles. At the end, as some money were left from the credit, we decided to paint the internal walls of the existing school. The project was completed and the school director expressed his satisfaction.

Constructions:

Year 2004. The construction is traditional with blocks and concrete horizontal and vertical beams and pillars, with thermo-insulation over the ceiling, wooden roof structure covered with clay tiles and hydro isolation. The doors and windows are of wood. The floors of the classrooms are covered by 3mm linoleum plates; the corridor is covered by artificial granite tiles. The facade is done by thermo insulation 8cm plastered and painted.

Cost, Financing:

Financed by FOR.

Total cost: € 52'091 (CHF 78'136.5)

Problems/Constraints:

In general there were no problems during the implementation of the project and as well no delays. A Tripartite Agreement between us, the Municipal Directorate of Education and the School director was signed in December of last year. The plans and tender documents were prepared, as well as the contractor was selected during the winter, but the work was executed this year because of weather conditions.

Lessons Learned: What was useful in the approach?

The improvement of the standards in school was very much appreciated from the pupils and teachers, also from the children of the returned families.

Lessons learned: What should be done different next time?

Nothing particularly.

Preconditions and Limitations for this approach:

- The first precondition was the support programme for returning and reintegration of RAE refugee.
- Close Cooperation with local Authorities. (Municipality: Directorate of Education, Urbanism, MEST etc.)
- Construction Office with administrative and technical capacity to implement the project.

Evaluation:

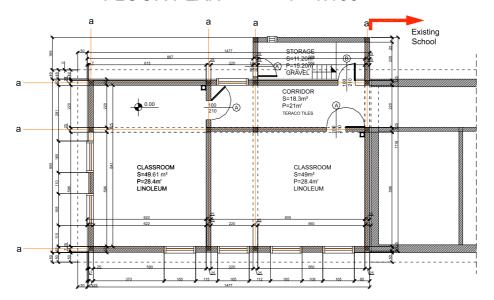
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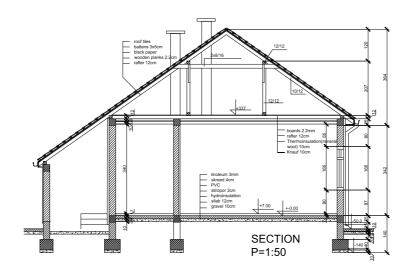
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Recommended Institutions:	SDC/SHA, desk Europe +CIS
Recommended books/reports:	SDC/SHA Fact Sheet June 2002: "The Swiss Contribution"
Relevant other projects (links):	Similar SDC/SHA Projects in Kosovo.

Annex: technical drawings; see page 3

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