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Type of Project:	Housing	Country:	Kosovo
Approach:	Contracted works	Realisation: Year:	2003
Project name:	Duso - Garibaldi (Decan)	Version 1	Date: 2004





Initial Situation, Context

In December 2002 a Project Idea was launched by the Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning (MESP) to have a joint program for the benefit of IDP's in the Decan and Skenderaj regions. During our visit in Garibaldi camp we found out that there were still 33 families living there. Out of these 7 of them got houses from the NGO Cordaid, 3 of them didn't have plots (so they need to move into a social house) and for the remaining 26 families, they had plots but they had no means to build their houses. SDC already had a fond of 200'000 Euros allocated for social housing in Decan and Skenderaj for the joint program with the MESP and the above mentioned relevant Municipalities. We made a request and obtained a credit of 500'000 CHF from Bern.

A request from Bern was the closing of the TCS.

Goals, Beneficiaries:

The goal of the project is to reduce the number of vulnerable people living in TCS or in any other difficult conditions; one of the priorities being closing the TCS.

Approach:

The project consists in building 26 new houses, category V.

The work has been done by Contractors.

On the same time we have started the joint program so-called Social Housing with MESP, Municipality, and SDC.

Partner(s):

The following partners participated in this programme:

- FOR, for the financing of the project.
- The Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning
- The Directorate of Reconstruction, Deçan.
- The Manager of Garibaldi Camp.
- The contractor Jeta and Bashkimi for the execution of the project.

Implementation/Results:

All the 26 houses are complete and the families are living in, except in 2 cases.

Constructions:

Year 2003. The construction is traditional with blocks and concrete horizontal and vertical beams and pillars, with thermo-insulated on the ceiling, wooden roof structure with Hydro isolation and covered with clay tiles. Wooden windows with thermo pan glass. The floors are covered with wooden boards. The walls are plastered. The water and sewerage network is distributed only inside the houses. The electricity network is build as well as the distribution box.

Cost, Financing:

Financed by FOR.

Total cost: € 334'261.50).

Average cost per house : € 12'847.- Average cost per m2 : € 178.-

Problems/Constraints:

In general there were no problems on this project, except some delays because of the raining weather. The work started on July and was finished in October. We had complains from some beneficiaries because there was nothing done for the toilets except water distribution and sewerage. Due to that, two families didn't sign the certificate of completion. In one house we had damages from humidity and we had to do some refections.

The fact that some beneficiaries from the camp are included in another project (social housing) limits our capacity to close the camp at the end of this project.

Lessons Learned: What was useful in the approach?

We had a good cooperation with the municipal authorities.

Lessons learned: What should be done different next time?

We should try to improve the standards of the houses in order to satisfy the beneficiaries.

Preconditions and Limitations for this approach:

- The first precondition was the request of Bern for closing of the TCS.
- Close Cooperation with local Authorities. (Reconstruction, Cadastre, Urbanism, etc.)
- Construction Office with administrative and technical capacity to implement the project.

Evaluation:

The evaluations for the housing programme is going to take place in 2005

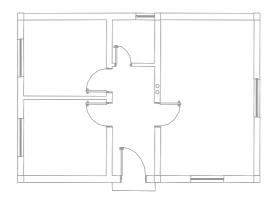
For further information:

Recommended Contacts:	Coof Pristina
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.

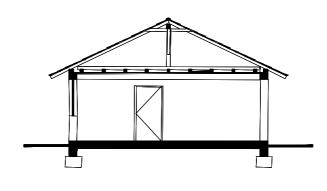
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Plan of the project (Type 65m2)

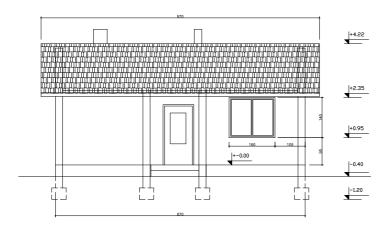
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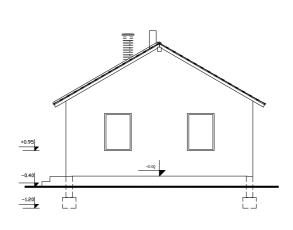
Ground floor plan.



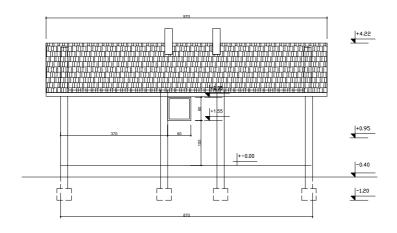
Typical section



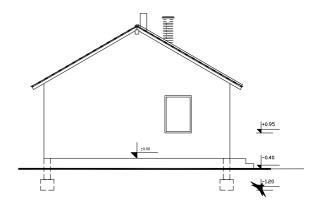
Entrance façade.



Side façade 1



Back façade.



Side façade 2