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| AFRICA REGION | | | |
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| Beneficiary | Subject Area | Committed | Description |
| Africa—multiple countries | COBAC On-site Inspection | \$179,400 | The project will provide technical assistance and overall guidance to strengthen banking supervision in the Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CEMAC) countries by enhancing the efficiency of on-site inspections; develop training and human resources management of bank examiners; and prepare methodological tools for the use of inspectors. |
| Africa—multiple countries | Monetary Statistics Seminar | \$93,750 | Seminar on monetary and financial statistics for Lusophone African countries (Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea Bissau, Mozambique, and Sao Tome and Principe) and Timor Leste. The seminar will be hosted by the Bank of Portugal in Lisbon. The seminar is targeted at mid-level officials employed in the compilation of monetary statistics. |
| Africa—multiple countries | Central Bank/Banking Legislation | \$119,600 | This project will assist Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Lesotho, and Sierra Leone in bringing legislation in line with international financial standards and best practices and provide technical assistance in drafting new legislation and redrafting existing legislation in the following areas. (1) central bank acts; (2) banking acts; (3) other financial legislation (insolvency law, payment and settlement legislation, deposit insurance schemes, supervision on non-bank financial institutions, etc.); and (4) internal central bank and other financial regulations. The project will also provide supplementary on-site assistance on a needs basis to finalize draft legislation and support the adoption processes and provide seminars and training in the field of financial legislation. |
| Africa—multiple countries | Macroeconomic Management & Debt Issues Course | \$93,750 | Course on Macroeconomic Management and Debt Issues, in collaboration with the Training Center of the Banque des États de l'Afrique Centrale (BEAC) with participants from the Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CEMAC) and other countries in the region, including Angola, Burundi, Comoros, Djibouti, Madagascar, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, and São Tomé and Príncipe. The course will focus on the links between macroeconomic and debt policies, emphasizing on policies necessary to ensure sustainable debt. |
| Africa—multiple countries | Regional Course on External Sector Vulnerabilities | \$93,750 | This two-week course in South Africa aims to broaden participants' understanding of external sector vulnerabilities. The course aims to provide participants with a comprehensive set of analytical tools for assessing these vulnerabilities and various policy responses. The skills developed during the course will allow participants to inform a wide range of policies, notably those that pertain to external debt and foreign reserve management, capital account liberalization, and the management of foreign aid flows. |

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| Africa—multiple countries | Real Sector Statistics Advisor | \$298,400 | The Long-term regional advisor will provide technical assistance to improve the quality of real sector statistics in countries of West AFRITAC as described in the GDDS metadata. The project will assist national statistical agencies of participating countries toward self-sustaining systems for collecting required data, and compiling and disseminating national accounts and price statistics, consistent with internationally accepted methodologies and practices. |
| Africa—multiple countries | Real Sector Statistics Advisor | \$280,400 | The Advisor will continue to promote the GDDS as the framework for the development of the national statistics system. The technical assistance will (i) assist in the improvement of the real sector statistics: national accounts and price indices; (ii) improvement of coordination of work among data producing agencies and data users; (iii) assist the authorities to coordinate TA activity with international institutions and bilateral agencies involved in technical assistance in statistics to the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Republic of Congo. |
| Africa—multiple countries | Regional PFM Advisor | \$301,400 | The Regional Public Financial Management (PFM) Advisor based in West Africa will assist Liberia, The Gambia, Ghana, and Sierra Leone to help establish a more transparent and efficient PFM system and deepen continuing PFM reforms. |
| Burundi | Central Bank Modernization | \$260,400 | The Long-term advisor will assist the Central Bank of Burundi (BRB) in putting in place a strategy for modernization, with new and more efficient managerial, organizational, and operational practices in line with best practices and build staff capacity to accomplish the mission of the bank. |
| Central African Republic | Public Financial Mangement Advisor | \$130,200 | The expert will advise the treasury authorities at helping (i) develop a modern chart of accounts and a manual of implementation that is consistent with the new budget nomenclature; (ii) provide assistance to prepare a framework for implementing the chart of accounts; and (iii) train the local staff to prepare and analyze the accounting documents contained in the framework. |
| Congo, Democratic Republic of | PFM Advisor | \$130,200 | The expert will assist in strengthening budget preparation with more realistic budgetary projections; enhancing budget management by helping establish ceilings on expenditure commitments in the automated expenditure execution system, in tracking budget implementation based on the spending execution procedures used; and in improving the quality of the public finance data with the reconciliation of government accounts and the training of accountants for the implementation of the double entry accounting system. |
| Guinea | Monetary and Foreign Exchange | \$260,400 | The Long-term advisor will advise the Central Bank of the Republic of Guinea (BCRG) Governor on the formulation and implementation of effective central banking operations and support functions, notably in foreign exchange operations, monetary management, central bank accounting and organization. The resident advisor will also help in coordinating technical cooperation. |

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| Guinea | Accounting | \$130,200 | The technical assistance will help build up organizational, operational, and staff capacity of the accounting function of the Central Bank of the Republic of Guinea (BCRG) so as to align it with international standards. |
| Liberia | Payment Systems | \$260,400 | The project will provide the Central Bank of Liberia (CBL) with a resident advisor on payments systems issues for a period of one year. The resident advisor will satisfy the expected demand for payment services assistance in an organized, controlled and structured way. The CBL requires long term technical assistance to develop and implement a strategic process for the modernization of the National Payment System in Liberia. |
| Liberia | Banking Supervision Reform | \$260,400 | This TA project will strengthen the banking supervision capability of the Central Bank of Liberia (CBL), and will assist with the resolution of failing banks. The CBL is implementing a program for restructuring the financial system and establishing an effective and ongoing supervision department whose personnel will be trained in the chartering, on-and-off site supervision and exiting of commercial banks from the banking system. The advisor will train supervision staff on all facets of modern bank supervision standards. |
| Liberia | Monetary and Financial Policy | \$260,400 | This project finances a resident long-term expert to serve as Chief Administrator to the Central Bank of Liberia (CBL). The Chief Administrator has binding co-signature authority with the Governor for operational and financial matters with special emphasis on banking operations and ensuring that internal controls and audits are carried out according to established principles. The Administrator will also help to ensure the effective implementation of the recommendations of other technical cooperation experts. |
| Liberia | Balance of Payments Advisor | \$260,400 | This project finances a resident long-term expert to serve as Balance of Payments Advisor to the Central Bank of Liberia (CBL). The adviser will assist the CBL in compiling and disseminating balance of payments statements for 2006 and 2007, lay the groundwork for operational and analytical purposes, and help create institutional capacity for compiling comprehensive and timely balance of payments statistics for Liberia going forward. |
| Rwanda | Non Bank Financial Supervision | \$260,400 | The expert will assist the National Bank of Rwanda (NBR) in setting up a directorate of supervision of NBFIs, putting in place supervisory tools and procedures in line with best practices and staff capacity building in the form of seminars, and hands-on training. |
| Sierra Leone | Bank of Sierra Leone Accounting | \$59,800 | The TA will focus on providing assistance to the Bank of Sierra Leone in moving towards fully IFRS-compliant accounting systems and practices, putting in place an updated manual of procedures that reflects international best practices and providing staff capacity building through hands-on training, seminars and workshops. |

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| Sierra Leone | Banking Supervision | \$89,700 | The expert will help strengthen banking supervision in Sierra Leone in line with previous TC and FSAP recommendations. The project will help improve quality of on-site supervision, through moving towards risk-based supervision. |
| South Africa | Income Tax Law Rewrite | \$179,400 | The project will provide technical assistance and overall guidance to South African officials who are responsible for redrafting the income tax law, customs code, and tax administration act. |
| ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION | | | |
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| Beneficiary | Subject Area | Committed | Description |
| Asia and Pacific—multiple countries | Macroeconomic Management and Structural Adjustment | \$500,000 | Continued funding for the training of Asian participants at the Joint Vienna Institute. Most training participants come from countries implementing economic programs to redress macroeconomic imbalances or carry out structural reforms aimed at improving macroeconomic management and promoting transformation to market economies. |
| Asia and Pacific—multiple countries | Long-Term Expert at the STI | \$260,400 | The Long-term expert will provide training to strengthen the analytical, technical, and judgmental capacity for effective economic and financial management of mid-to high-level officials at the national level. |
| Asia and Pacific—multiple countries | Macroeconomic Analysis and Policy Training | \$260,400 | Continued funding for the second JSA-financed long-term experts assigned to the IMF-Singapore Regional Training Institute (STI) to conduct courses and seminars in various aspects of macroeconomic management, statistical methodology, financial soundness and transparency, and other topical areas of current interest to member countries. |
| Asia and Pacific—multiple countries | General Data Dissemination System (GDDS) Workshop | \$50,000 | Workshop to assist GDDS coordinators to understand and implement newly emphasized aspects of the GDDS, especially regarding periodicity and timeliness of data dissemination; advance release calendars; National Summary Data Pages; and related plans for improvement. These efforts would support interested participants to graduate to the Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS). |
| Bangladesh | Bond Market Development | \$89,700 | The TA will help improve the functioning of treasury securities markets in Bangladesh by (i) development and introduction of delivery versus payment arrangements; (ii) implementation of procedural changes for debt management operations; (iii) assisting in supporting more active involvement by primary dealers as market makers; (iv) development of market information and dealer association mechanisms; and (iv) revision of investment guidelines to facilitate insurance and provident company participation. |

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| Bangladesh | Accounting Reforms | \$29,900 | The technical assistance is aimed at reinforcing a training program for staff. It also aims at further strengthening the accounting systems used in Bangladesh Bank (BB). |
| Cambodia | On-Site Banking Supervision | \$89,700 | The TA would focus on further strengthening the on-site supervision program through intense instruction and on-the-job training for a team of Cambodian bank examiners. The advisor would work with the team through all aspects of the examination. |
| Cambodia | TA to Customs and Excise Department | \$239,200 | The technical assistance will focus on strengthening Cambodia's revenue administration through modernization of the customs administration. |
| Cambodia | Resident Advisor | \$260,400 | The Long-term expert will focus on further strengthening the institutional capacity at the National Bank of Cambodia (NBC) and provide day-to-day advice and assistance to the NBC in support of an enhanced bank supervision program. |
| Cambodia | Enhancing NBC Internal Audit | \$59,800 | The TA will focus on providing intensive on-the-job training for the internal audit staff via advisor-assisted audits conducted on several NBC departments. The advisor will guide the audit staff through all stages of the audit, from preparation of the audit plan through completion of the audit report. The audits will be completed on two areas of operations: (i) soiled notes and vault management activity; and (ii) foreign exchange operations and reserves management. |
| China | AML/CFT Workshop on Financial Sector Issues | \$50,000 | The workshop is for officials on AML/CFT in the securities and insurance sectors. The workshop is intended to review practical measures for establishing sound and effective AML/CFT supervisory practices and tools and to enhance the participants' knowledge and understanding of China's AML/CFT regulatory practice with respect to the securities and insurance sectors, which is a new responsibility for the People's Bank of China (PBC). |
| China | Monetary and Financial Statistics Course | \$50,000 | The course will assist officials of the People's Bank of China (PBC) and other agencies involved in monetary data collection and compilation to better understand the analytical framework for monetary and financial statistics as recommended in the <i>Monetary and Financial Statistics Manual</i> (MFSM) and facilitate the full implementation of such framework in China's monetary statistics. |
| China | Strategic Mangement of Tax Administration Seminar | \$29,900 | The seminar will focus on: (1) allocation of resources to agreed priorities; (2) development of clear accountability through action and business plans; and (3) linkage of individual performance assessments to attainment of agreed business improvements. |
| China | AML/CFT Workshop on Financial Sector Issues | \$59,800 | The experts will participate in conducting a workshop for officials on AML/CFT in the securities and insurance sectors. The workshop is intended to review practical measures for establishing sound and effective AML/CFT supervisory practices and tools and to enhance the participants' knowledge and understanding of China's AML/CFT regulatory practice with respect to the securities and insurance sectors, which is a new responsibility for the People's Bank of China (PBC). |

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| Indonesia | Banking Supervision Advisor | \$260,400 | The expert will advise on various areas of banking regulation and supervision. Particular emphasis will be on: (1) risk-based supervision, (2) Basel II issues, (3) aligning supervision with the Basel Core Principles (BCP), (4) further developing stress testing at Bank Indonesia. |
| Indonesia | Market Risk Supervision | \$179,400 | The project will help build capacity of Bank Indonesia (BI) on the implementation of various market risk supervisory issues. Expected results include (i) enhanced technical capacity of BI supervisors to assess internal models used by banks for recognition/validation of traded exposures; (ii) enhancements to BI's policy guidance and examination tools for an assessment of interest rate risk in the banking book; and liquidity risk assessments will feed into improved process and techniques used by BI for supervision of market risk activities; (iii) enhanced organization, career paths, and job responsibilities for BI's dedicated risk modeling specialists; and (iv) establishment of capital markets/market risk related training courses for BI's in-house school for banking supervisors. |
| Indonesia | Banking School Curriculum | \$89,700 | Experts will assist Bank Indonesia (BI) to help develop the proposed new banking school course on credit risk analysis, with the end goal of helping its front-line supervisors to better understand and evaluate the process of identifying, monitoring, measuring, and controlling credit risk. |
| Indonesia | Treasury Reforms | \$119,600 | The TA project will help facilitate: further rationalization of government bank accounts; improved cash planning, integrated with debt management; and expansion of Directorate-General (DG) Treasury computerization, including implementation of an integrated financial management information system. |
| Lao, P.D.R. | Customs Administration | \$59,800 | Experts to assist the Lao PDR Customs department in (1) completion of the customs department's policy and procedures manual, and (2) finalization of instructions to fully implement the WTO customs valuation agreement. |
| Maldives | Peripatetic Treasury Advisor | \$119,600 | The Advisor will provide the Maldives authorities strategic guidance in design, tendering, and implementation of a modern public sector accounting and financial management information system. |
| Mongolia | Monetary Policy Implementation | \$29,900 | The expert will provide technical assistance to the Bank of Mongolia to (i) review theoretical and practical aspects of conducting monetary policy with medium-term consistent targets and instruments; (ii) develop skills that are required for policy settings, and (iii) adopting structure of Monetary Policy implementation that conducive to policy changes and consistent with medium-term horizon. |
| Nepal | Public Financial Management | \$29,900 | The expert will assist the Ministry of Finance to prepare a new budget classification; and help prepare a new chart of accounts (CoA) integrating the budget classification. |

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| Papua New Guinea | Internal Audit | \$89,700 | The project will provide further training on work-based auditing practices through formal seminars and on the job training work programs, with specific areas of focus including: (1) Provision of further training to Internal Audit to conduct audits of specialist business units across all high risk areas of the Bank of Papua New Guinea's (BPNG) operation. (2) Assessing the status of Annual Plan and recommend changes as appropriate. Review of audits undertaken by internal audit and recommend improvements to programs, approach and reporting process. (3) Further development and improvement of audit programs. (4) Ongoing enhancement of the Internal Audit Manual and provision of suggestions for improvement. Review of follow-up process and improvements. (5) Review of Audit Committee process and reporting. |
| PFTAC | Revenue Policy and Administration | \$310,400 | The advisor will continue to assist in the progress of implementing short and medium-term programs to reform tax and customs policy and administration, based largely on prior PFTAC recommendations and TA. This will be achieved through provision of diagnostic missions, TA missions, and managing and backstopping of short-term assignments of tax and customs experts-in all cases on request of the member country. Training, seminars, and organization of attachments of PIC officials to other countries will continue. The advisor will also continue to develop PFTAC's efforts to coordinate with donors and other TA providers, to help ensure uniformity and consistency of approach across the region. |
| PFTAC | Real Sector Statistics Advisor | \$305,400 | The advisor will continue providing advice and assistance to PFTAC member countries in a broad range of economic and financial statistics, including national accounts, price, employment and salaries, government finance, balance of payments, and monetary and financial statistics as well as management, infrastructure, and priority setting. The advisor will provide this assistance through various modalities, including advisory visits, training courses and seminars, and secondment of officials from the statistical agencies of one PFTAC member country to that of another. The advisor will also liaise with other regional technical assistance providers. In this context, and in addition to the delivery of hands-on technical expertise, the assistance provided by PFTAC will continue to use the General Data Dissemination System (GDDS) as the framework for developing projects in the statistics area. |
| Philippines | Cash Management | \$119,600 | The TA will assist in improving budget execution and control, government banking arrangements, and cash management. The experts will focus on the following: (1) deepen DBM's diagnostic analysis; (2) examine good international practices for cash management, and (3) develop a strategy and action plan for improvement. |
| Samoa | Monetary Policy and Operations | \$59,800 | The technical assistance aims at advising the authorities on monetary policy issues with particular focus on managing liquidity conditions in the financial system. |

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| Thailand | Bank Supervision Advisor | \$260,400 | The Long-term expert will provide assistance to the Bank of Thailand's supervisory function to improve consolidated supervision of banking groups. The advisor will review the current supervisory program for financial conglomerates to identify opportunities for enhancement and analyze the current structure and staffing of the examination division to determine if it sufficiently supports the consolidated supervision of complex financial groups. |
| Thailand | Government Finance Statistics Seminar | \$30,000 | The workshop in Bangkok will be hosted by the Fiscal Policy Office in the Ministry of Finance. The training will promote compilation and dissemination of fiscal statistics according to the GFSM 2001 system through a "hands-on" environment by which the seven South-East Asian participating countries' data are converted to the GFSM 2001 framework. Participants will come from Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Vietnam. |
| Timor- Leste, Democratic Republic of | Advisor to General Manager | \$130,200 | The advisor will provide assistance to build up in-house capacity at the The Banking and Payments Authority of Timor-Leste (BPA) for policy design and formulation, help to equip the staff to perform various central banking functions efficiently, and assist with the establishment of various supportive institutional arrangements. |
| Timor- Leste, Democratic Republic of | Treasury Advisor | \$272,400 | The advisor is expected to continue providing assistance in (i) Streamlining and strengthening institutional and organizational arrangements in the MPF and line ministries. (ii) Transfer of knowledge to Treasury staff through workshops, seminars and other training. (iii) Deconcentration of policies and procedures for Treasury functions to line ministries. (iv) Improving financial management information system to support efficient and effective Treasury management. (v) Modernization of management laws, rules and regulations. (vi) In addition, the advisor will also support the authorities' efforts to strengthen the Treasury Single Account (TSA). |
| Timor- Leste, Democratic Republic of | Advisor to General Manager | \$179,400 | The advisor will continue to provide assistance in building up in-house capacity at the Banking and Payments Authority of Timor-Leste (BPA) for policy design and formulation, help to equip the staff to perform various central banking functions efficiently, and assist with the establishment of various supportive institutional arrangements. |
| Timor- Leste, Democratic Republic of | Banking Supervision | \$89,700 | The TA will advise on and assist in strengthening the banking supervision function of the Bank and Payments Authority of Timor-Leste (BPA), with particular emphasis on on-site examinations and off-site surveillance, in the context of the BPA becoming a central bank. |
| CENTRAL AND WESTERN EUROPE | | | |
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| Central and Western Europe—multiple countries | LEG Banking Seminar for Judges | \$93,750 | A banking seminar to be held at the Joint Vienna Institute for Central Asia region judges on the legal aspects of bank regulation, supervision, and insolvency for member countries. The seminar will be divided into three modules: (i) the economic origins of banking crises and the legal response to prevent or resolve crises and mitigate systemic risks; (ii) the legal aspects of bank supervision and enforcement; and (iii) the legal aspects of bank insolvency and resolution. |
| Central and Western Europe—multiple countries | Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) IT workshop for Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs). | \$30,000 | The workshop will focus on the use of IT systems for enhancing AML/CFT tasks of FIUs, in particular IT security and system management, data mining techniques for processing large amount of data/extracting quality data, application of neural networks to the analysis of suspicious transactions and the exchange of information through the Egmont Group Secure Web and the FIU.net. |
| Central and Western Europe—multiple countries | Workshop on Money Laundering (ML) Typologies | \$93,750 | The workshop is expected to be attended by participants from Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Kosovo, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. The workshop will cover practical issues related to the analysis and investigation of typologies and cases of ML and, in particular, to the phenomenon of trade-based ML. Domestic and international cooperation in the fight against ML will also be covered. |
| Albania | LEG Banking Law Workshop for Judges and Bank Regulators | \$93,750 | The workshop will help increase the expertise of Albanian judges and officials of the central bank and other regulatory agencies on the legal aspects of bank supervision, the legal aspects of regulatory interventions and insolvency regimes, and the role of the judiciary in resolving banking disputes and providing oversight over the actions of bank regulators, through extensive use of relevant case studies from Albania and other jurisdictions. |
| Kosovo | Banking-Insurance Supervision | \$179,400 | Technical assistance to the Central Banking Authority of Kosovo (CBAK) to: (1) assist on-site examinations and developing CBAK examiner skills, including in upgrading capability to examine banks engaged in more sophisticated products; (2) revise insurance rules to build a strong framework for the regulation of the insurance industry. |
| IMF - MULTIPLE REGIONS | | | |
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| IMF—multiple regions | Seminar on FSI Compilation | \$70,000 | Seminar on Financial Soundness Indicators (FSIs) to be conducted at the Central Bank of the Russian Federation (CBR) training center. The seminar will provide training and information on (1) FSI compilation following the Fund's Compilation Guide on Financial Soundness Indicators (Guide); (2) the use of the FSI data and metadata database created for the CCE; and (3) the use of FSIs in financial stability analysis. |
| IMF—multiple regions | General Data Dissemination System (GDDS) Workshop | \$70,000 | Workshop to assist GDDS coordinators to understand and implement newly emphasized aspects of the GDDS, especially regarding periodicity and timeliness of data dissemination; advance release calendars; National Summary Data Pages; and related plans for improvement. These efforts would support interested participants to graduate to the Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS). |
| MIDDLE EAST REGION | | | |
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| Middle East—multiple countries | External Sector Statistics Advisor | \$285,400 | The Long-term expert will assist in (1) Strengthening capacity to produce external sector statistics adherent to the SDDS requirements in Azerbaijan and Georgia. (2) Improving of collection, compilation, production, and dissemination of external sector statistics in Azerbaijan and Georgia. (3) Providing for sustainable improvement of the quality of external sector statistics in Uzbekistan. |
| Middle East—multiple countries | National Accounts Advisor | \$276,400 | The regional advisor will concentrate on improving the national accounts statistics compiled by the statistical agencies in Syria and Lebanon and in building statistical capacity within the framework of GDDS. The advisor will assist in establishing an agreed timetable for its implementation and provide training to the staff in the form of seminars as well as on-the-job training. The advisor will work with the authorities to further increase cooperation and coordination in statistics among government agencies. |
| Afghanistan | Peripatetic Treasury Advisor | \$89,700 | Experts to assist the Central Bank of Afghanistan (DAB) to (1) Strengthen DAB's capacity to collect and compile the monetary and financial statistics. (2) Make further progress towards implementation of the Government Finance Statistics Manual 2001 (GFSM 2001). |
| Afghanistan | Macroeconomic Management & Fiscal Policy Course | \$93,750 | The course is expected to be attended by participants from the Ministry of Finance, Da Afghanistan Bank, and other government ministries involved in economic and financial issues. The course aims at deepening participants' knowledge of issues relating to the design and implementation of macroeconomic and fiscal policies, the course will serve to strengthen macroeconomic management and to enhance the capacity building in Afghanistan. |

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| Middle East & Central Asia—multiple countries | Central Bank Accounting | \$308,400 | Regional advisor to assist Mauritania and Djibouti strengthen their central bank accounting functions which include putting in place new policies and procedures and adopting appropriate International Financial Reporting Standards. |
| Middle East & Central Asia—multiple countries | Regional Public Financial Management Advisor | \$317,400 | The expert will provide assistance in the implementation of public financial management reforms in selected MCD countries. This includes (1) The execution of Uzbekistan's Public Financial Management Reform Strategy 2007-18. (2) Development of the treasury component of Tajikistan's public financial management modernization project. (3) Support PFM reforms in Armenia and Azerbaijan. |
| Syrian Arab Republic | Banking Supervision Advisor | \$260,400 | The advisor will give TA on a broad range of banking regulatory and supervisory issues. The advisor will analyze the current structure and staffing of the Central Bank of Syria (BSD). The advisor will review the current activities of the BSD and set out a specific work program which will be agreed with the authorities. Particular emphasis will be placed on: 1. Aligning supervision with the Basel Core Principles (BCP); 2. Moving toward risk-based supervision; 3. Reviewing the quality of on-site and off-site supervision reports; 4. Developing and adopting a multi-year plan for inspecting operating banks and formulating specific benchmarks against which progress under this plan can be measured; 5. Evaluating the current framework for implementing corrective action programs as necessary; 6. Expanding the capacity of the BSD staff by training and skills development; 7. Developing financial stability analysis including through the timely production of financial stability indicators; and 8. Developing capacity to undertake stress testing at the CBS. |

WESTERN HEMISPHERE REGION

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| Western Hemisphere—multiple countries | Statistics workshop in ECCB | \$93,750 | The workshop will promote awareness of statistics and identify best practices in the provision of statistical services in small economies. The workshop will particularly seek to share views and experiences among the country representatives. It will consist of lectures, panel discussions led by recognized experts, and breakout groups that will focus on developing coherent strategies for statistical development. |
| Western Hemisphere—multiple countries | Government Finance Statistics Workshop | \$59,900 | The workshop will focus on defining a regional framework for Government Finance Statistics that is in accordance with international recommendations and assess current national practices and on adopting a regional framework using available sub annual and annual source data. |
| Paraguay | Customs Administration | \$59,800 | The expert will provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Finance - Customs General Directorate of Paraguay in the modernization of customs administration through on-the-job training of staff and the implementation of state-of-the-art procedures based on international standards. |

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| Peru | Treasury Management Advisor | \$136,600 | The TA will assist the Ministry of Finance and the Treasury of Peru on improving treasury management and expenditure control. |
| Peru | Treasury Management Advisor | \$142,200 | The resident advisor will continue assistance on the integration of the new budget classification in the chart of accounts, continuing the advice on the development of a TGL, and in working with the IT personnel to develop and incorporate the TGL in the Financial Management Information System (SIAM). The advisor will also focus on streamlining budget execution procedures and in the adequate assignment of budget execution responsibilities. |