



Working for



Public finance

- Support to the Superintendency of Tax Administration in the creation of Accounting and Tax Support Centres (NAF) to assist low-income legal persons and individuals at the Panamerican University and Da Vinci University.
- Assistance in the creation of a Tax Intelligence Unit.
- Implementation of electronic invoicing.



Justice

- Support to the Public Defender's Office, providing it with a specialised entity for monitoring the penal execution phase through definition of a comprehensive model for attention to incarcerated persons.
- Protocol for individual and interdisciplinary assistance in the process of separating incarcerated women from their under-age children.
- Support to the Directorate-General of Penitentiaries to prepare a new Government Prison Policy.



Social protection

- Support for establishing the Ministry of Social Development through various activities: creation of new operating manuals for social programmes, intensive training of senior and middle managers, creation of new management indicators for monitoring social programmes, creation of an analytical unit for knowledge management, and definition of the strategic lines of the social development policy (in collaboration with the UNDP).
- Coordination between MIDES and the Ministry of Agriculture to enable job placement of beneficiaries of social programmes.



Citizen security

- Inter-agency coordination for implementation of the National Policy on Violence.
- Enactment of the Violence Prevention Law.
- Enactment of reforms to the criminal justice act with violence prevention components.



Employment

- Creation of a network of Municipal Single Points of Contact for Promotion of Employment (VUMEs) in collaboration with the DUE programme "Generation of employment and vocational training for young people".



Social dialogue

- Support to the ESC to create a socio-economic report based on consensus between the three component sectors (unions, cooperatives and employers).



Regional development

- Support to the SEGEPLAN in the implementation of the Territorial Economic Development Strategy (EDEC), within the framework of the National Development Plan *K'atun: nuestra Guatemala 2032*.



Regional

- Guatemala is a member of the Latin American Regional Development Network, the Economic and Social Councils Network for Latin America and the Caribbean (CESALC), and the Ibero-American Tax Policy Network.

Modus operandi of EUROsociAL: from the pilot action to the national scale

Implementation of the Territorial Economic Development Strategy (DET), within the framework of the "K'atun – Nuestra Guatemala 2032" process, is progressing throughout the country. A complex process of institutionalising collective participation based on the system of Development Councils established at different territorial levels is being carried out, with involvement by executive levels, organised civil society and public-private initiatives.

EUROsociAL is supporting the SEGEPLAN, which acts as facilitator in this process, in the implementation in the department of Zacapa of this strategy based on the "premise that by generating value in each of the productive chains existing in the department, not only can family income be increased but clusters can be formed that expand the possibilities for creating direct and indirect jobs".

Based on the direct experience in the department of Zacapa, a replicable operational model will be defined in the country's other territorial contexts.

Working with...

Main participating institutions

- Office of the Presidency of the Republic
- Economic and Social Council (ESC)
- Ministry of Public Finance
- Institute for Public Criminal Defence
- Ministry of the Interior
- Ministry of Economy
- Ministry of Labour and Social Security
- Ministry of Social Development
- Planning and Programming Secretariat of the Office of the President (SEGEPLAN)

Complementarity

- In terms of security, the work done by EUROsociAL is complementary to that of the SEJUST programme of the EU.
- There is a complementary aspect in active employment policies with the European Union Delegation in Guatemala with the "Generation of employment and vocational training for young people" programme.

In depth

Social Development Programmes

Within the framework of EUROsociAL's activities to contribute to Institutional Strengthening of the Ministry of Development of Guatemala, the Programme has supported management of its programmes and consolidation of its institutional capacities. In particular, EUROsociAL has provided inputs that have contributed to ministerial approval of operating manuals for the five main MIDES programmes: Mi Bolsa Segura, Mi Bono Seguro, Mi Beca Segura, Jóvenes Protagonistas, and Comedores Seguros; and of a Document of Recommendations with a focus on comprehensiveness.



Services for children of incarcerated women

In the working line for strengthening the role of Public Defender's Offices, EUROsociAL collaborated with the Guatemalan Public Defender's Office in addressing the specific situation of incarcerated mothers and their children, who live together in prison until the child reaches the age of four. To do this, an individual, interdisciplinary assistance protocol was created for use in the process of separating children from their incarcerated mothers. The protocol contemplates guidelines for security forces starting from the woman's entry into prison and includes issues of reproductive and psychological health, with particular emphasis on the moment when the mother is separated from her child. Specific procedures are organised to guarantee the welfare of mothers and their children to the extent possible during the separation phase, including activities to continue monitoring after the mothers have been released from prison.

Publications:



Protocolo de Atención Individual e Interdisciplinario, en el proceso de separación de hijos de madres privadas de libertad [*Individual, interdisciplinary assistance protocol for use in the process of separating children from their incarcerated mothers*]

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