



# **Decentralization Enabling Environment (DEE)**

**SEMI ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The Federation of Non-Government Organizations for Honduras Development (FORIDEH), through the Decentralization Enabling Environment Project presents the Semi Annual report for the period February - June 2011 of the first year of the Agreement.

The report comprises the main activities implemented and progress made in Project implementation, within the Agreement framework signed between FOPRIDEH and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

In this period, activities were mainly aimed at setting up the Project basis such as the preparation of the Annual Operation Plan (POA), preparation and publishing the terms of reference for hiring the staff and carrying out the launching and/or socialization of the Project with main partners at territorial (Associations of Municipalities) as well as national levels.

## **II. PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECT RESULTS**

### **RESULT 1: Legal framework strengthened for increasing municipal autonomy.**

**Specific Activity 1.1 Conduct 7 meetings to exchange decentralization experiences and practices with the participation of NGOs' representatives affiliated to FOPRIDEH, the organizations of civil society (OSC) and Municipalities.**

Result: 5 exchange of experiences accomplished in a similar number of Project partners (Associations of Communities). These experiences were focused mainly on health decentralization management. The other 2 meetings for exchange of experiences were moved to the third quarter since they depend on rhythms and times of the Association of Communities.

**Specific Activity 1.2.- Have at least 3 meetings for the designs of the advocacy plan, in coordination with strategic allies (SEIP, AMHON, SEFIN, other) in order to promote legal reforms in Decentralization matters.**

Result: Activity will be ~~move~~ implemented for the next trimester because it done after the nationwide project launch. Additionally, considering the current country context, it is possible to include other strategic actors from Congress.

**Specific Activity 1.3 A workshop with the Ministry of the Interior and Population (SEIP), the Association of Honduras Municipalities (AMHON) and OSC to identify the platform of the decentralization process in Tegucigalpa**

Result: Activity will be implemented following quarter because it will take place after the project national launching. Moreover, considering the country context, it is possible to include other strategic actors such as the National Congress.

**Specific Activity 1.4 A multi-sector workshop of exchange with representatives of health, education, environment institutional sectors, municipalities, to discuss and learn about the sector focus of decentralization**

Result: Activity will be implemented in the last trimester of 2011 because it would take place after the national launching of the Project and because it is tightly related to other activities whose results are advocacy and approach to allies or key actors of the decentralization process.

**Specific Activity 1.5 Create an analysis, cooperation and exchange committee among coordinators of USAID-funded projects with a brief agenda of linking actions.**

Result: For this activity it has been regarded as more appropriate and efficient to wait the awarding of projects on municipal development by the donor; therefore, it has been moved to the last semester of 2011.

**Specific Activity 2.1 Submit a decentralization Project to members of the National Decentralization Group (AMHON, SEIP) and OSC, establish agreements on the issue and assure the incorporation of FOPRIDEH into it.**

Result: As of 2006 the National Decentralization Group was created as a permanent space to discuss, analyze and propose on the decentralization issue and local development.

Currently, the Group is integrated by representatives from diverse public and private institutions (AMHON, SEIP and OSC) chaired by AMHON, which implement activities in the municipal field and that, from the acquired experience, contribute to enrich the knowledge of the rest of institutional representatives, with the purpose of improving and contribute with the country's decentralization processes.

The Project was submitted to the National Group and from there FORIDEH is now part as an active member of said Group and attends the scheduled monthly meetings, as a currently existing space for discussion and analysis of the Decentralization process in the country. The National Decentralization Group is part of the Tripartite Forum for Decentralization (FTD) as per the last version of the FTD Regulation.

**Specific Activity 2.2 Conduct 7 meetings for Project socialization with affiliated members, OSC and Municipalities and organize Regional/Local Committees for Decentralization.**

Result: Project socialized in 5 of the 7 Associations of Municipalities previously considered as partners; agreements signed and 5 Liaison Committees created in a similar number of zones.

Project launchings were conducted as follows:

**MUNASBAR (SANTA BÁRBARA)** El Níspero, Arada, San Vicente Centenario, **San Nicolás**. It was held in San Nicolás on May 24 with representation of local authorities, affiliated NGOs, Citizens' Transparency Committees and municipal technicians. Liaison Committee with the Project was integrated as follows:

1. Román Madrid (Institutional Technical Unit, UTI)
2. Jony Ponce Castellanos (El Níspero)
3. Smelin Vega (Atima)
4. Olvin Zaldívar ( San Vicente Centenario)
5. Fredy Alberto Aguilar (Nueva Celilac)
6. Nubia Reyes (La Arada)
7. Héctor Celin Rodríguez (San Nicolás)
8. José Rigoberto Rápalo (Childfund)
9. Juan José Núñez (Chilfund)



Participants in the Project Launching and/or Socialization in MUNASBAR

**MANSUCOPA (COMAYAGUA AND LA PAZ)** Ajuterique, Lejamaní, Lamaní, Humuya, Villa de San Antonio, El Rosario, San Sebastián, **La Paz**, San Pedro de Tutule. It was held in Comayagua on May 27 with representation of local authorities, affiliated NGOs, Citizen Transparency Committee (CCT), municipal technicians and departmental governors. Liaison Committee with the Project was integrated as follows:

1. Mayor José Tejeda (Cane)
2. Mayor Ronald García (Lejamaní).
3. Deputy Mayor René Estrada (Villa de San Antonio).
4. Víctor Rosales from Project HOPE (affiliated to FOPRIDEH).
5. Maximiliano Chavarría (UTI)

**MAMUNCRAC (YORO)** Arenal, Jocón, Olanchito, **Yoro**, Yorito, Sulaco, Victoria, Morazán, El Negrito, Santa Rita. It was held in Yoro on June 1 with the participation of local authorities, affiliated NGOs, municipal technicians. No agreement was signed neither the Liaison Committee was integrated since the Board of Directors of the association of municipalities was not there and these two activities were postponed until further notice.

**MANOFM (FRANCISCO Morazán)** San Juan de Flores, Guaimaca, Valle de Angeles, Villa de San Francisco, San Ignacio, El Porvenir, Marale, Vallecillo, Orica. It was held in San Ignacio on June 3 with the participation of local authorities, affiliated NGOs, technicians, CCT. The Liaison Committee with the Project was integrated as follows:

1. Mayor Elman Hidalgo (San Ignacio)
2. Mayor Yanes Borjas (Villa de San Francisco).
3. Rosa Amalia Ortiz (CCT-San Ignacio).
4. José Ángel Rodríguez (FUNDA-AHPROCAFÉ).
5. Alex Salgado (UTI).



**Participants in the Project Launching and/or Socialization in MANOFM**

**MANVASEN (OCOTEPEQUE)** Mercedes, **San Marcos**, San Francisco del Valle. It was held on June 8 in San Marcos with the participation of local authorities, affiliated NGOs, technicians, municipal board member and CCT. Results: Agreement signed and the Liaison Committee was created and integrated as follows:

1. Mayor Mario Adalid Herrera (San Francisco del Valle)
2. Saúl Omar García (Mercedes municipality representative)
3. Sara Umaña (FUNDA-AHPROCAFE)
4. Figlodelvina Espinoza (CCT San Marcos)
5. Germán Henríquez (UTI)



Participants in the Project Launching and/or Socialization in MANVASEN

**Specific Activity 2.5. Seven introductory workshops for municipal autonomy to strengthen knowledge management aimed at Associations of Municipalities.**

Result: The activity appears in the POA, spread out in two quarters and in relation to a critical path for the Project territorial coverage; autonomy workshops will be carried out in the following quarter, once the national Project launching ends.

**RESULT 2: Legal framework strengthened for the municipal fiscal autonomy.**

Result: This result does not show any activity implemented because the Result Coordinator was not hired until June 29, due to the difficulty of finding in this period the right person with the adequate profile to hold that office, as well as the compensation (salary) level offered.

**RESULT 3: Accompaniment strategy through cross-MLA: Facilitation and Consolidation of Networks**

**Specific Activity 1.1 Design and implement a Project Performance Monitoring Plan (PMP).**

Result: The PMP construction has been subjected to important changes within the Project that merits a revision in various senses: Adjustments requested by USAID for the inclusion of new work schemes vis-a-vis additional strategies which the Project has started and that were not included in the instrument; changes in implementation schedules of laws that are again going through a revision process that will start upon waiting for a reasonable time for their implementation; the elimination of additional indicators related to law enforcement that, giving the revision of strategies, will not be possible to retake (it refers to those not included in the agreement); the need to create indicators not considered in the agreement as is the case of Result 3.

This activity is scheduled to be finished in July of this year.

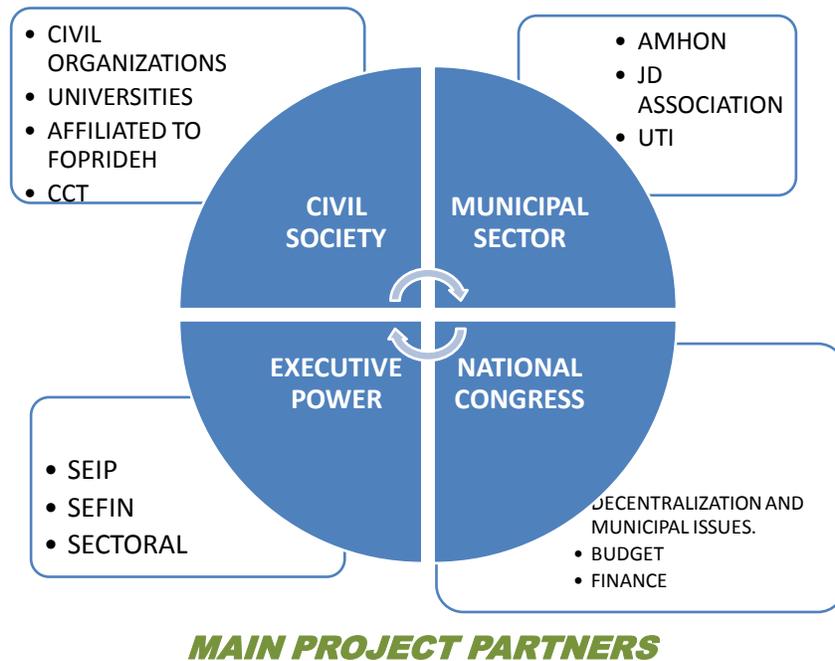
**Specific Activity 1.2 Determine by sampling the capacities and experiences of affiliated NGOs in decentralization, through a research carried out by a consultant.**

Result: This quarter has begun with the preparation of the diagnosis or Baseline, that will reflect by sampling the capacities and experiences NGOs affiliated to the Federation have on the subject of municipal decentralization and local development. The end of the activity is scheduled for the following July-September quarter.

### **III. COMPLEMENTARY AND START-UP PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

1. First work session with USAID for guidance on Project start up. In this session, the following was established: FOPRIDEH should submit its work plan and estimate of expenses by agreement line item for year 2011 (since the signing of the agreement until September 30, 2011). FOPRIDEH should submit its PMP according to Agreement proviso and enclosing for each indicator the formats of Indicator Reference Sheet and Data Quality Assessment. FOPRIDEH should submit its Marking and Branding Plan according to the guide established in USAID Branding and Marking.
2. Preparation of Terms of Reference for hiring Results Coordinators, Strengthening the legal framework for Municipal Autonomy, and Result 2 Strengthening the juridical framework for the municipal fiscal autonomy. Both terms of reference were duly approved by USAID and later advertised in the Network for Sustainable Development for the reception of the résumés.
3. Formats for resume evaluations and formats for interviews, review of résumés, interviews were held, final selection made and final reports prepared.
4. A no-objection request was submitted to USAID for hiring Results Coordinators. Result 1 Coordinator, but did not concur with candidate proposed for ~~and~~ Result 2 Coordinator. After several discussions, interviews etc AOTR concurrence was received to hire Result 2 Coordinator on June 29, 2011.

5. The Project Actors Map was prepared, with the following as the main ones:



6. The Project area of intervention was determined at territorial level in relation to the following criteria. See annex.

- a) Geographic representation as per the 16 regions that SEPLAN (Ministry of Planning) has re-determined in the Country's Vision and Plan.
- b) Operational and technical functionality of the Associations of Municipalities; that is, if they still exist, if they operate with a level more or less important to work with them.
- c) The increased presence of Associations of Municipalities in the regions.
- d) The presence of FOPRIDEH affiliates in the selected areas, specifically in the coverage of Associations of Municipalities.
- e) The direct presence of FOPRIDEH with staff from other projects who could help determine a combined strategy of direct intervention and with affiliates.
- f) Compatibility and interest from affiliates according to their lines of action to incorporate themselves in the municipal and fiscal decentralization issues.

## **IV ANALYSIS OF GENDER**

Throughout the activities of the Project during this period, especially in project launches and socializations with municipal counterparts, women's participation has been encouraged not only in terms of quantity or to cover a quota but to promote leadership and feminine opinion throughout project activities.

In this sense it has been advised that FOPRIDEH has an institutional gender policy, which will be the crosscut element of the Project, as agreed upon with USAID. A gender analysis as established in the agreement will be done.

## **V TRAINING**

This semester is not reported any action related to training due by the beginning of the project, the main activity was concentrated in socialization and / or launch.

### **7. ACTIVITIES AT GLOBAL LEVEL**

#### **7.1** Establishing a preliminary contact with AMHON to inform on the project.

Two meetings were held at technical level with the Executive Office and the Decentralization Management and another at political level with the Executive Board. As a result of the meetings, a Technical Political Liaison Committee was created with the following people:

Santos López, Manager for Decentralization and Municipal Development

Lourdes Durón:, Head of Decentralization Department

Mario Rodolfo Palencia, Mayor of Ajuterique, Comayagua

Jorge Jiménez, Mayor of Jacaleapa, EL Paraíso

#### **7.2** Establishing a preliminary contact with the National Congress through the Committees for Municipal Issues 1 and 2 and the Decentralization Committee to inform on the project. The result was the creation of a Liaison Committee integrated by the Presidents of such Committees. Daniel Flores, President of the Committee for Municipal Issues 1; Marcio Vega, President of the Committee for Municipal Issues 2 and Donaldo Reyes, President of the Decentralization Committee.

**7.3** Presentation of the Project at the level of the Group of Donors in Decentralization. Coordination will be established among projects of each donor; also, periodic meetings to observe progress.

**7.4** Presentation of the Project at the level of FOPRIDEH Board of Directors. The result was the integration of the Advocacy Committee, integrated as follows:

Arnaldo Bueso, President of the Board of Directors (CARE Director)

Oscar Chicas, Vice President of the Board of Directors (WORLD VISION Director)

Mariano Planells , Former President of the Board of Directors (SAVE THE CHILDREN Director)

Fredy Garmendia, Member of the Board of Directors (ASIDE Director) and

Norma Sierra, Social Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (CHILDFUND Director)

**7.5** Establishing a preliminary contact with the Government; in this case with the SEIP to inform on the Project. A meeting was held with the Decentralization Technical Unit (UTD), its Director, Arnaldo Caraccioli, and his Assistant, Víctor Ordoñez. An excellent coordination and communication has been maintained with the Unit. However, there have been several attempts to get an appointment with the Minister, Áfrico Madrid, by the donor as well as by FOPRIDEH with no results to date.

**7.6** The Project Launching and/or socialization at national level finally took place with the presence, among others, of USAID Director, SEIP Vice-Minister, the President of the National Congress Decentralization Committee, representatives of the partner Associations of Municipalities, cooperation representatives and NGOs, mainly those affiliated to FOPRIDEH. Nevertheless the above, it was evident the absence of the SERNA, Education and Health Ministers.



Members of the main table in the National Launching: from left to right Oscar Chicas, FOPRIDEH Vice-President; Donaldo Reyes, National Congress; William Brands, USAID Director; Mario Palencia, Mayor of Ajuterique and Elman Hidalgo, MANOFM President



Participants in the Project National Launching

## **VI. OBSTACLES/CONSTRAINTS**

Among main constraints encountered in this period, we can list the following:

1. Delay in carrying out the events due to partners' agendas.
2. Lack of political will from some local authorities, which resulted in the elimination of one of the Association of Municipalities initially selected.
3. Lack of commitment and coordination of actors of the Executive Power.
4. Conflict with other issues in the national public agenda.
5. Lack of interest and commitment, by one of main actors as the SEIP
6. Launchings at territorial level have taken up more time than foreseen since, for their success, approach meetings have been held in order to reach preliminary agreements on the acceptance or not of the Project, and to schedule the rest of the details for the launching events.

## **VII. IMPROVEMENT PROPOSALS FOR NEXT SEMESTER**

1. Additional coordination is necessary with the Social Audit Project funded by COSUDE (Swiss Cooperation) in order to replicate and strengthen lessons learned in the municipalities of common action.
2. It is necessary to ADJUST the WORKING actors map and the organization advocacy strategies within the Project's framework in order to have greater impact and achieve the objectives.
3. It is required to provide more information to the Board of Directors in order to obtain more involvement and positioning of same.
4. Train DEE Project staff on issues related to NGOs and FOPRIDEH's role in the society and train FOPRIDEH staff on decentralization with an emphasis on DEE Project strategies.
5. Regarding activities not implemented in this quarter, it is necessary to adjust 2011 POA, which means, in other aspects, merge some activities, rebuild POA indicators and include others in light of demands stated by the Associations of Municipalities and that are in agreement with Project objectives.
6. It is necessary that work strategy with partner Associations of Municipalities remains clear enough in terms of technical as well as in terms of budget, which must be shown in 2012 POA

## **VIII. PROJECTIONS FOR NEXT SEMESTER**

Among main activities to be implemented in the following semester, the following are mentioned:

1. Design an advocacy plan, in order to promote law reforms on Decentralization in coordination with strategic allies
2. Workshop with strategic actors in order to identify the platform of the decentralization process
3. Design and socialize the methodology of the Decentralization Observatory.
4. Carry out the methodology design for the Radio Program based on the Implementation Plan.
5. Conduct introductory Workshops on municipal and fiscal autonomy in order to strengthen knowledge management aimed at the Associations of Municipalities.
6. Based on the studies made on the issue, carry out a comparative analysis of current norms aimed at the support of the administrative fiscal

decentralization and prepare a local capacities training manual to promote fiscal decentralization.

7. Baseline study of comparative analysis of financial statement and management capacity for collection of own funds.
8. Conduct three workshops aimed at the improvement of tax and fees recovery and better tax-payers management.
9. Socialize the Baseline/Diagnosis on NGOs capacities and experiences.
10. Workshops for executive and technical staff from affiliates, on the decentralization and fiscal autonomy issue.
11. An analysis committee must be integrated with collaboration and exchange between USAID funded project coordinators with a minimum agenda of related actions.
12. Developing a Gender Strategy
13. Developing a baseline for the project to complement the established of PMP

## **IX. BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION**

# **ANNEXES**

## ANNEX 1

### **INTER-INSTITUTIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FEDERATION OF NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS FOR HONDURAS DEVELOPMENT (FOPRIDEH) AND THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF WESTERN AND EASTERN FRANCISCO MORAZAN (MANOFM)**

The undersigned, **ROLANDO BU ZALDIVAR**, adult, married, Agronomist, Honduran with residence in the Central District, municipality of the Central District, of Honduran nationality, acting in my condition of Director General of the **FEDERATION OF NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS FOR HONDURAS DEVELOPMENT (FOPRIDEH)**, hereinafter referred as **FOPRIDEH**, for a part, and for the other **ELMAN ARANY HIDALGO LÓPEZ**, adult and with residence in the Municipality of San Ignacio, Department of Francisco Morazán, acting in my condition of President of the Association of Municipalities of Northern and Western Francisco Morazán (**MANOFM**), hereinafter referred as **MANOFM**, both in the full enjoyment of their civil rights and duly authorized to celebrate this type of act, have decided to subscribe as they do to effect, an **AGREEMENT OF INTER-INSTITUTIONAL COOPERATION**, governed under the following terms:

#### **Considering:**

1. That FOPRIDEH is a pluralistic Federation, leader of the civil society for its proposing, solidarity and transparent capacity, committed to the democracy and national development.
2. That the Association of Municipalities is created with the purpose of joining efforts to achieve the integral and sustainable development of each one of the municipalities that are part of the Association, channeling, in an effective and efficient manner, resources of their patrimony, prioritizing the stratum in areas of greater need.
3. That FOPRIDEH, through the Project “Decentralization Enabling Environment” funded by the United States for International Development (USAID) has, as the central objective, to promote support for decentralization by strengthening capacities of national institutions, local governments and civil society organizations to promote, enact and enforce legislative reforms that allow or favor decentralization in the country.
4. That institutions’ efficiency and strength is increased when their efforts are coordinated in the pursuit of common objectives in order to make from this act an inter-institutional commitment that determines timely and efficient strategies.

Therefore, FOPRIDEH and the MANOFM agree to the following:

**FIRST:** Subscribe this Inter-institutional Cooperation Agreement, whose main objectives are to contribute to the institutional strengthening of the MANOFM and the decentralization process in Honduras, establishing for this the proper coordination mechanisms..

**SECOND: FOPRIDEH** through the implementation framework of the Project Decentralization Enabling Environment is committed to;

- a) Strengthen institutional capacity of the Association of Municipalities and, in economy of scale of member municipalities in the processes of institutional strengthening related to decentralization and municipal autonomy.
- b) Train the human resource of the Association of Municipalities in the areas of municipal autonomy, fiscal decentralization and other areas related to the processes of transfer of competencies and resources to local entities.
- c) Socialize with the Association of Municipalities the drafts and bill initiatives and public policies affecting or favors local autonomy, promoted by the State Powers.
- d) Follow-up and timely inform the Regional Decentralization Committee created in the Region, on various activities of the decentralization process and the country's local development.
- e) Promote spaces for social and political dialogue such as conversations, forum and gatherings, among others, on the current and to-be-built legal framework so that it allows to reach consensus and agreements on proposals that are submitted.
- f) Establish an effective coordination mechanism so that the proposals that arise from the governments and civil society at local level be reflected in the Decentralization Observatory.
- g) To be seen and promote gender equality and equity, promoting not only the presence but the effective participation of both genders in decision making.
- h) Communicate, publish and inform on decentralization processes and products promoted by the project.
- i) Give effective participation to the Association of Municipalities and civil society organization of the Region, in the Radio Program called "The Hour of Decentralization" in order to publish development processes promoted at local level.

**TERCERA: For its part, the MANOFM** is committed to:

- a) Promote among local governments the political will and availability to work closely with civil society in order to promote processes related to decentralization and municipal autonomy in the country.
- b) Provide the necessary municipal and UTI human resources for an active participation of the Association of Municipalities in the activities (meetings, forum, gatherings, workshops and other events) sponsored by the Project Decentralization Enabling Environment.
- c) Assure the presence, in the initiatives supported by the Project, of a member of each political faction represented in various Municipal Corporations.
- d) Guarantee in each municipality the increase in actions aimed at improving fiscal autonomy and favorable citizen culture to decentralization processes.
- e) Actively participate in activities promoted by the Regional Decentralization Committee.

**FOURTH: FOPRIDEH** will establish the coordination which the case merits with government institutions and civil organizations that have a presence in the Association of Municipalities in order to assure the impact, harmonization and complementarity of activities in the area.

**FIFTH:** This Agreement will take effect once signed and will last until the end of the Project (February 22, 2016), may be amended at the request of either party.

In witness whereof we sign in duplicate on the third day of the month of June of the year 2011.

**Rolando Bú Zaldívar**

FOPRIDEH General Director

**Elman Arany Hidalgo López**

President of the Association of  
Municipalities

## ANNEX 2

### AREA OF INTERVENTION AT TERRITORIAL LEVEL OF THE DEE PROJECT

| N | ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES  | NAME  | MUNICIPALITIES  | HEADQUARTERS |
|---|--------------------------------|---|---|--------------|
| 1 | AMVAS                          | Association of Municipalities of the Sesecapa Valley                          | 4<br><u>Ocotepeque</u> : <b>Ocotepeque</b> , Sinuapa, Concepción, Santa Fe,   | Ocotepeque   |
| 2 | MANOFM (Francisco Morazán)     | Association of Municipalities of Northern and Western Francisco Morazán       | 9 Francisco Morazán: San Juan de Flores, Guaimaca, Valle de Ángeles, Villa de San Francisco, San Ignacio, El Porvenir, Marale, Vallecillo, Orica            | Talanga      |
| 3 | MANSUCOPA<br>La Paz, Comayagua | Association of Municipalities of Southwest of the Comayagua Valley and La Paz | 10<br>La Paz: Cane, <b>La Paz</b> , San Pedro de Tutule<br>Comayagua: Ajuterique, Lejamaní, Lamaní, Humuya, Villa de San Antonio, El Rosario, San Sebastián | La Paz       |
| 4 | MANVASEN<br>(Ocotepeque)       | Association of Municipalities of the Sensenti Valley                          | 3 Ocotepeque: Mercedes, <b>San Marcos</b> , San Francisco del Valle   | San Marcos   |

| N | ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES | NAME  | MUNICIPALITIES  | HEADQUARTERS            |
|---|-------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------|
| 5 | MUNASBAR (Santa Bárbara)      | Association of Municipalities of the Southwest Region of Santa Bárbara          | 6<br>Santa Bárbara: El Nispero, Arada, San Vicente Centenario, <b>San Nicolas</b> , Nuevo Celilac, Atima                                    | San Nicolás             |
| 6 | MAMSA (Olancho)               | Association of Municipalities Martyrs of the Agalta Mountain Range              | 8 Olancho: <b>San Francisco de la Paz</b> , Gualaco, San Esteban, Guarizama, Manto, Santa María del Real, Dulce Nombre de Culmí, Catacamas, | San Francisco de la Paz |
| 7 | MAMUNCRAC (Yoro)              | Association of Municipalities of the watershed of the Aguán and Cuyamapa rivers | 10 Yoro: Arenal, Jocón, Olanchito, <b>Yoro</b> , Yorito, Sulaco, Victoria, Morazán, El Negrito, Santa Rita                                  | Yoro                    |
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### ANNEX 3

## LAUNCHING IN THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF THE SENSENTI VALLEY OF THE PROJECT *DECENTRALIZATION ENABLING ENVIRONMENT (DEE)*

San Marcos (Ocotepeque), June 8, 2011

| PROGRAM                     |  |  |
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| Hour                        | Activity   | Responsible                                      |
| 09:00 - 09:30               | Registration of participants<br><br><b>UTI and FOPRIDEH staff</b>  |  |
| <b>Opening of the Event</b> |  |  |
| 09:30 – 09:45               | Welcome by the President or representative of the Association of Municipalities  |  |
|                             | Words by the representative of FOPRIDEH affiliates   |  |
|                             | Words by Ms. <b>Denia Chávez</b> representing USAID in Honduras  |  |
| <b>Presentations</b>        |  |  |
| 09:45 – 10:30               | <i>Decentralization background in Honduras: 1990 – 2010</i><br><br><b>Ronald A. Fiallos, DEE Project</b>   |  |
| 10:30 – 10:45               | Comments from female and male participants.  |  |
| 10:45 – 11:45               | <i>Presentation of the Project Decentralization Enabling Environment. José Alejandro Ochoa and Daniel Moreno</i>                                       |  |
| 11:45 – 12:15               | Questions and comments.  |  |
| 12:15 – 13:00               | LUNCH  |  |
| 13:00 - 13:30               | <i>Experience of decentralization management in health in the MOCALEMPA municipalities</i><br><br><b>Mr. Jacobo Ríos, UTI Coordinator in MOCALEMPA</b> |  |
| 13:30 - 13:45               | Questions and answers  |  |
| <b>Closing of the event</b> |  |  |
| 13:45 – 14:15               | Creation of a Project Liaison Committee<br><br><b>José Alejandro Ochoa and UTI</b>   |  |
| 14:15 – 14:30               | Signing the Inter-institutional Agreement  | <b>MANVASEN and FOPRIDEH<br/>Representatives</b> |
| 14:30                       | Event adjourns   | <b>MANVASEN President</b>                        |

