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Introduction

The third Component 3 Status Report presents activities of the Component 3 in the six months from 17 November 2015 to 16 May 2016.

Activities within Component 3 during the third period of implementation included mainly continuation of finalising the documents and reports foreseen for 2015, organisation of events for exchanging the opinions and best practices and launching of activities foreseen in Action plan for 2016 for Component 3.

The topics analysed in the reviewed period have been as following:

- 3.2.1 Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits
- 3.3.1 Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people

In the reviewed period C3 has been focusing on the extended exchange of EU practices and recommendations on the occasion of the 2nd panel discussion and 1st C1 Workshop.

The 2nd panel discussion was hosted by MoCA on December 4th, 2015 for the second batch of research on the topics 3.2.1 and 3.3.1. Component 3 was able to select and ensure two missions for two EU experts, who contributed actively to the panel discussion hosted by MoCA.

The 1st C1 workshop was hosted by MoCA on March 1st, 2016 with participation of MoCA officials, Chinese and EU experts. On this occasion a mission of 3 EU experts to Beijing has been organized.

On April 21-26th, 2016 ministerial visit to Poland and Spain has been organised under the leadership of Mr Li Liguo, Minister of MoCA. On this occasion a High Level Policy Dialog on Social Assistance in Poland was organized.

Over that period, the responsibility for Secretariat duties under Component 3 of the project were shifted from FORMEZ to EXPERTISE FRANCE. The PAC meeting held on 6 April 2016 took note of progress made during the first year of project implementation and adopted the 2016 Component 3 work plan.

Changes introduced in December 2015 in project management also led to improvements of visibility of the Project with the opening in April 2016 of a project website hosted at the address http://www.euchinasprp.eu/. Component 3 prepared bilingual newsletter during the period under review

The period under review was therefore also characterized by the continued excellent collaboration between MoCA, the C3 based project team and Polish Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy.

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Relevant Acronyms

Acronym	Description
ACFTU	All-China Federation of Trade Unions
ACWF	All-China Women's Federation
ADECRI	Agence pour le Développement et la Coordination des Relations Internationals (Agency for the Development and Coordination of International Relations)
CEC	China Entreprise Confederation
CASS	China Academy of Social Science
CIRC	Chinese Insurance Regulatory Commission
CMBII	Programme for Strengthening the Basic Health Care Coverage
CPC	Communist Party of China
DPRC	Disabled People Rehabilitation Centres
EN3S	Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Sécurité Sociale (National School of Advanced Social Security Studies)
ENPI	European Neighbourhood & Partnership Instrument
ESF	European Social Fund
EU	European Union
EU MS	European Member State
EUD	European Union Delegation
HRD OP	Human Resources Development Operational Programme
IAC	Insurance Association of China
IASIA	International Association of Schools and Administration Institutes
IBRD	International Bank of Reconstruction and Development
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMC	Internal Management Committee
IPA	Instrument for the Pre-Accession Assistance
IPSAS	International Public Sector Accounting Standards
ISSA	International Social Security Association
LAC	Latin America & the Caribbean
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MIDAS	Micro-simulation for the Development of Adequacy and Sustainability
MII	Minimum Insertion Income
MIS	Management Information System
MoA	Ministry of Agriculture
MoCA	Ministry of Civil Affairs
MoF	Ministry of Finance
MOFCOM	Ministry of Commerce
NHFPC	National Health and Family Planning Commission;
MoHRSS	Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security

NDC Notional Defined Contribution NDRC National Development and Reform Commission NGO Non-Governmental Organization NOP National Operating Programmes NRP National Reform Programmes NSR National Strategy Reports OECD Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development OHS Occupational Health & Safety OMC Open Method of Coordination OPHRD Operational Programme Human Resources Development PAC Project Advisory Committee SAFEA State Administration of Foreign Experts Affairs SAI Shanghai Administration Institute SAWS State Administration For Work Safety SOCIEUX Social Protection European Union Expertise in development cooperation ToR Terms of Reference UNDP United Nations Development Programme WB World Bank		
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CHAPTER

Background information on the Component activities and results

This report describes implementation of activities under the Component 3 – support MoCA on *Improving of legal framework and policy for social assistance* - of the EU-China Social Protection Reform Project. It covers the period 17 November 2015 to 16 May 2016.

1.1 Results pursued

Within Component 3 of the project there are 3 of 11 identified results - results R9 to R11 inclusive, namely:

- Promulgating and enforcing the Social Assistance Law and the regulations on rural and urban minimum standards of living;
- Developing of legal framework on unified standards for defining social assistance benefits, target groups, low income families; and,
- Improving care for poor rural people and disabled people as well public information and transparency on social assistance policy.

MoCA is the main stakeholder and beneficiary for Component 3 activities.

Topics being explored in 2015 will contribute to the R9 – 1 topic, R10 – 1 topic, R11 – 1 topic. For 2016 there are foreseen another 3 topics to be completed Result 9 of the Project.

1.2 Analysed topics

The PAC meeting held on 21 April 2015 agreed on the topics to be considered within Component 3 activities. See Annex 1. Some adjustment has been made to take into account the priorities of MoCA since the elaboration of the Grant application form.

In 2015 under Component 3 three topics have been elaborated. See table 1. In the second half of 2015 Component 3 was performing research activities related mainly to the topics 3.2.1; and 3.3.1.

Table 1 – Topics considered in 2015, Component 3

ID	DESCRIPTION		DATE STARTS
1	Component 3 - Improving of legal framework and policy for social assistance		
3.1.1	Legal framework on Social Assistance	9	Apr 2015
3.2.1	Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits	10	Jul 2015
3.3.1	Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people	11	Jul 2015

For the period under review topics 3.2.1 and 3.3.1 has been finalized by the three Chinese experts as indicated in the Table 2.

Table 2 –Situational analysis in 2015, Component 3

TOPIC	TITLE	INCUBENTS	OUTPUT	OBSERVATIONS
3.2.1	Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits	Guo Yu Gong Shuge	1 report CN and EN versions	SECOND BATCH
3.3.1	Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people	Zuo Ting Gong Shuge	1 report CN and EN versions	SECOND BATCH

As agreed for the topics 3.2.1 and 3.3.1 being analysed from July the local study visits have been organised in November and December 2015 (based on 3.1.1 experience in June and July 2015). This exercise was a significant support for the situational analysis process executed by the Chinese short-term experts.

All reports are shared via a Project Dropbox and will be published in a C3 2015 volume and shared with a broader audience via the Project website.

1.3 Best practices

Component 3 identification of the most relevant best practices (related topic 3.2.1 and 3.3.1) from the EU for China was provided in strong cooperation and consultation with MoCA.

For the second batch of research and the 2nd panel discussion on the topics 3.2.1 and 3.3.1 Component 3 was able to select and ensure two missions for two EU experts Ms. Monika Gabanyi and Ms. Lacramioara Corches. Both experts contributed actively to the panel discussion hosted by MoCA on Dec 4th, 2015 and provided solid base of the knowledge on the best practices report for each of the topic.

Those are available at Project Dropbox and will be published in a C3 2015 volume (bilingual version pending) and shared with a broader audience via the Project website.

Table 3 – Best practices reports in 2015, Component 3

TOPIC	TITLE	INCUBENTS	OUTPUT	OBSERVATIONS
3.2.1	Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits - EU best practices reports	Larcamioara Corches	1 report EN version CN - pending	Asked for post mission report
3.3.1	Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people - <i>EU best practices</i> reports	Monika Gabanyi	1 report EN versions CN - pnding	Asked for post mission report

Additionally, experts' advice has been asked by MoCA on complementary contributions (on the assessment process for the cash benefits based on the Romania experience and on the NGO sector delivering social services based on German experience). Ithas not been submitted by them just after they completed their missions to China due to the lack of contracts even asked for them to the Project Secretariat. After receiving an approval from the new Project Leader early 2016 the new Component 3 Secretariat provided an arrangement for both of the experts – Ms Gabanyi and Ms Corches.

Table 4 – Best practices reports – 2015 post mission's reports in 2016, Component 3

TOPIC	TITLE	INCUBENTS	OUTPUT	OBSERVATIONS
3.2.1	Report on the IT supporting system for cash benefits arrangements	Larcamioara Corches	1 report EN version CN - pending	post mission report shared with MoCA in the first half of May
3.3.1	NGO role on social services de- livery	Monika Gabanyi	1 report EN version CN - pending	post mission report shared with MoCA in the first half of May

Currently both reports have been submitted by the EU experts and are under a process of sharing with MoCA for any further comments.

1st C3 Workshop hosted by MoCA on March 1st, 2016 was an opportunity to discuss the first policy recommendations from Chinese and EU side.

On this occasion two types of reports have been submitted.

Table 5 – EU Best practices reports and preliminary reform policy recommendations for 2015 topics, Component 3

TOPIC	TITLE	INCUBENTS	OUTPUT	OBSERVATIONS
3.1.1	Legal framework on Social Assistance - EU best practices and preliminary reform policy recommendations	Davor Domin- kus	1 report EN version	Submitted to MoCA in April 2016
3.2.1	Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits - EU best practices and preliminary reform policy recommendations	Mel Cousins	1 report EN version	Asked for post mission report Submitted to MoCA in April 2016
3.3.1	Social Assistance specific vulner- able groups - services for chil- dren, elderly, people with disabili-	Jadwiga Pauli	1 report EN versions	Submitted to MoCA in April 2016

ties, with a special focus on poor rural people - EU best practices		
and preliminary reform policy recommendations		

In February and March C3 was hosting 3 EU expert missions to Beijing. Based on the discussion and exchanges around the 1st C3 Workshop the Chinese experts provided policy recommendations for the three topics 3.1.1; 3.2.1 and 3.3.1.

Table 6 – Preliminary reform policy recommendations for 2015 topics, Component 3

TOPIC	TITLE	INCUBENTS	OUTPUT	OBSERVATIONS
3.1.1	Legal framework on Social Assistance - preliminary reform / policy recommendations	Guo Yu	1 report EN&CN versions	Submitted to MoCA in March 2016
3.2.1	Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits - preliminary reform / policy recommendations	Gang Shuge	1 report EN&CN versions	Submitted to MoCA in March 2016
3.3.1	Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people - preliminary reform / policy recommendations	Zuo Ting	1 report EN&CN versions	Submitted to MoCA in March 2016

All reports are shared via a Project Dropbox and will be published in a C3 2015 volume and shared with a broader audience via the Project website.

The implementation of the project proved that in order to increase the relevance and to improve the focus of exposure to European best practices under each of the related topics, the selection of European best practices should respond to the needs identified by the Chinese counterparts.

1.4 Beneficiaries

The main Chinese stakeholder for Component 3 of the Project is the Ministry of Civil Affairs (MoCA). Department of Social Assistance in MoCA is the lead technical unit for Component 3.

Annex 6 to this report lists national stakeholders – target audience and beneficiaries – for C3 activities, as described in the report "Audience for Project results".

The list could be updated in line with pilot sites which will be identified on a later stage according to the MoCA indication.

1.5 Planning for overseas activities

Component 3 work plan for 2015 has included one study visit for 8-days for 10 experts from MoCA to two EU countries. Due to the challenges concerning the administration of the Project Secretariat and setting the date of the study visit by MoCA (3 dates proposals, changed with 3 months) it was decided that this activity will be post-poned to 2016.

In 2016 two events take place ministerial visit in April 2016 –and C3 study visit in June. See more in Chapter 2.

1.6 Human resources

The contract of the EU resident expert for Component 3, Ms Marzena Breza took effect on 23 December 2014. The EU resident expert of Component 3, within the Beijing Office in the assessed period was assisted by Ms Caihua Zhong as from February 2016. The previous C3 Chinese assistants experienced problems with receiving contracts on time, what should have been provided by the former Project Secretariat. By the time of writing this report it seems within the Project leadership was found a solution to fix the issue.

For Component 3 during the period under review three Chinese experts were allocated. Around 200 working days were allocated among CN experts in 2015¹. For the EU experts 20 working days were allocated in Nov/Dec 2015 and 37 w/d days in 2016 (17 being a subject of subcontracting)². Annexes 5 and 7 provide all detailed information on the human recourse involved in Component 3.

 $^{^{1}}$ In the project budget for Component 3 850 working days were foreseen for the Chinese short-term experts.

² For EU experts 420 (from the Consortium member countries) working days are foreseen.

1.7 Visibility

Main visibility activities for the project are entrusted to its Secretariat under FORMEZ responsibility (pages 22 and 49 of the Grant Application).

Until the end of 2015 the Project was based on the webpage of FORMEZ³ that was used mainly to advertise job openings and provide a calendar of events when they are being confirmed.

In March and April due to the new Secretariat arrangements a new Project webpage has been created. C3RE supports the team with all related background information and papers performed under C3 activities.

C3 (in line with C1) has published Component Newsletter last February. It can be reached from the new Project website http://www.euchinasprp.eu/index.php/en/ as well.

Additionally, during the period under review for the daily activities of C3 and to improve the visibility, a special column on MoCA's official website was opened to introduce information about the activity on Component 3.

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³ http://spr.formez.eu

CHAPTER

2 Activities

The current chapter presents a summary of activities conducted during the period under Component 3.

It follows the structure of the Plan of activities adopted by the PAC meeting on 6 April 2016.

2.1 Situational analysis

The 2016 Activity plan for C3 endorsed by the PAC meeting on 6 April states that "under Component 3 three topics will be a subject of situational analysis in 2016, namely: 3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.4."

Situation analysis for the three topics will be conducted by three Chinese experts selected jointly by MoCA and the C3 resident expert and shared with the C3 Component Coordinator.

In 2015 three topics (3.1.1, 3.2.1 and 3.3.1) have been a subject of the situational analysis. From the remaining 8 topics to be considered under Component 3 three topics will be a subject of situational analysis in 2016, namely: 3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.4. All topics will be a subject of an evaluation in a view of continued relevance, and to the constant monitoring of the evolving socio-economic situation, as well as Government priorities in terms of social assistance system.

Due to the priority treatment of the topics 3.1.1, 3.2.1, 3.3.1, that should be still reviewed in 2016, the evaluation of topics 3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.4 started in March as shown in table 16 below.

The main priority is to complete the first result (R9 - The capacity of the MoCA for promulgating and enforcing the Social Assistance Law and the regulations on rural and urban minimum standards of living are strengthened; the skills of local officials in policy transmission and implementation are upgraded).

Table 7 – Topics to be considered in 2016, Component 3⁴

ID	DESCRIPTION	R.	DATE STARTS	
Compo	Component 3 - Improving of legal framework and policy for social assistance			

⁴ The exact titles of the topics could be renamed in a process of the situational analysis.

3.1.2	Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process ⁵	9	March 2016
3.1.3	Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance ⁶	9	March 2016
3.1.4	Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes ⁷	9	March 2016

While the official requirement of the Project is to prepare reports in English, all authors agreed that the impact of their work would be more immediate if a Chinese version was also available for the direct use of national stakeholders. The team leader, who referred the matter back to the Project Leader, was requested to establish a procedure to linguistically fine-tune the English version of the reports. No practical solution has been however identified yet.

Following the experience of 2015, the project in 2016 will be implemented in close cooperation with MoCA, which is the main national stakeholder for Component 3.

Table 8 – Schedule for situation analyses

R	No	Topic	Incumbent	Deadline for providing situation analyses
9	3.1.2	Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process	Zuo Ting	First draft report by July 2016 Final assessment report by September 2016
9	3.1.3	Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance	Guo Yu	First draft report by July 2016 Final assessment report by September 2016
9	3.1.4	Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes	Gang Shuge	First draft report by July 2016 Final assessment report by September 2016

⁵ Including issue of sharing responsibilities on different levels of the government and cooperation within and between different government actors.

⁶ Including service procurement from social assistance forces, actions carries out by communities and public-private partnership.

⁷ Monitoring and evaluation which includes top-down process, engagement of third parties and participatory approach – input from the social assistance target groups and social assistance benefits recipients.

Coherence among the various situational analysis will be provided by mid-term peer review and quality control conducted by Chinese short-term experts working under the supervision of the C3 EU Resident expert and MoCA.

It is envisaged that a European expert will be provided for the situational analysis for each topic, in order to ascertain that the assessment reports correspond to the level and quality of information required allowing for proper matching with the corresponding EU experience in terms of best practices.

The output of this activity is to provide an adequate knowledge of Chinese situation⁸ related to the topic under consideration. The assessment reports in English document the findings and conclusions of the Chinese experts⁹.

2.2 Identification and Review of possible European experience

For 2016 Component 3 work plan 2 additional EU missions will be organised. One of them for the 3rd Panel discussion (July 2016) and the final one for the 2nd C3 Workshop to be held on November 2016.

An extended opportunity for exchange EU practises will be performed within 10 days C3 June study visit to 3 EU countries with dozen EU experts involved on the national and regional level to share their experience in front of MoCA delegation.

2.3 Cross-topic activities

2.3.1 Panel discussions

The C3 activity plan for 2016 as adopted by the PAC meeting on 6 April 2016 foresees one panel discussion aiming at reviewing the topics analyzed

The 3rd C3 panel discussion will be organised at MoCA premises on July 4th, 2016.

For this panel discussion it is foreseen a participation of three short-term EU experts: one for each topic to be discussed namely 3.1.2; 3.1.3 and 3.1.4.

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⁸ When relevant and due to the dynamic situation in the social assistance in China several local missions could be organised for Chinese short-term experts and the C3 RE according to the respective budget line foreseen in the Project.

⁹ It is expected that each Situational analysis will be limited to some 40 pages.

2.3.2 Workshops on the analysis phase

The 2016 work plan for C3 provides a 1st C3 Workshop on the three topics which were under the consideration in 2015 (originally scheduled for December 2015). This Workshop has been hosted by MoCA on March 1st, 2016.

2nd C3 Workshop on the three topics - 3.1.2; 3.1.3; 3.1.4 of the Second batch of the research should be held on November/December 2016.

For this workshop it is foreseen a participation of three short-term EU experts: one for each topic to be discussed, namely 3.1.2; 3.1.3 and 3.1.4.

2.3.3 Component management

During the period under review the team of C3 in Beijing has been limited to C3 Resident Expert and part-time Component Assistant as from February 2016. As from 1st January 2016 C3 team is supported by a new Secretariat – Expertise France which has eliminated the obstacles related to the contracts concluding and payment for staff and experts experienced before.

Beside that cooperation with MoCA counterparts is functioning on a daily basis - regular joint meetings are held to review all pending, outstanding or proposed questions mainly coordinated by the C3RE.

2.4 Pilot Sites/Local Visits

MoCA has not decided on the pilot sites yet. The main reasons that the decision was not taken yet was to make situational analysis in China much more advanced first and then continue with a concrete proposal on province/city for pilots experience.

Even no choice on pilots has been made till now, MoCA focused on the regional and local challenges and experiences. The aim was to make situational analysis as comprehensive and suitable to the current situation in different provinces which have some autonomy on social assistance measures. Therefore RE C3 was asked to organise local study visits for Chinese experts for the first and second batch of the situational analysis¹⁰.

¹⁰ As these was a reasonable request from MoCA expressed after the PAC meeting to make it happened C3 RE made it as a subject of several communication with the Component 3 Coordinator, Project Leadership and the Project Secretariat – where the motivation for local visits was fully explained.

Concerning C3 component, local study visits were identified jointly with MoCA. For the first situational analysis phase six local visits have been performed as indicated in table 3.

Thanks to the local study visits all three Chinese short-term experts will support their reports by case studies which will be a key part of the assessment reports on 3.1.2; 3.1.3.; and 3.1.4.

The selection of priority topics, methods of work, identification of cities/provinces organised in a consultation with MoCA and its support by local MoCA bureaus.

2.4.1 2015 EU-China High Level Forum on Social Protection Reform Challenges for Legal Framework of Social Assistance

The HLF has given an excellent opportunity for a high level dialog between the EU and China. Consortium member countries have been represented by speakers and panelist. All the HLF outputs will be submitted within conference report. The first draft of the HLF report has been shared with all Consortium members and MoCA for their comments and suggestions. Finally under the support of the horizontal Secretariat the edition and dissemination will be organized.

CHAPTER

Planning for next period (17 May – 16 November 2016)

Over the next 6 months of the Project, the programme of activities for 2017 will be completed, and the action plan for 2016 will start being implemented. The action plan for 2017 is expected to be approved by the next PAC meeting, to be held at a time to be specified – possibly September 2016.

C3 programme implementation for the second half of 2016 should ensure execution of activities foreseen in the C3 work plan adopted by the PAC meeting held on 6 April 2016.

3.1 2016 Activities

Continuing activities from 2015 and performing plan of activities for Component 3 approved by the PAC meeting on 6 April, following actions have been already successfully performed:

- The 3-topics 1st C3 Workshop initially foreseen for December 2015 was hosted by MoCA on March 1st, 2016. The event was supported by 3 EU short-term experts recruited particularly for this event. All arrangements of their mission were successfully coordinated by the new C3 Secretariat Expertise France.
- Ministerial visit to Poland and Spain (April 21st-25th, 2016). Under the leader-ship of Mr Li the Minister of MoCA a visit to EU countries (two EU-China SPRP Consortium members Poland and Spain) has been organised. On this occasion a High Level Policy Dialog on Social Assistance in Poland was organized. The main goal of the meeting between Ministry of Family, Labour and Social policy of Poland the Component 3 Coordinator of the EU-China SPRP project and Ministry of Civil Affairs of the P.R. China as the C3 Chinese counterpart was to discuss activities foreseen for the next years between both ministries. During the visit a policy dialog was focused on the three topics11 of the C3 EU-China SPRP. The detailed program and activities undertaken could be found in the Annex to the report within C3RE mission report. The achievements of the visit confirmed that EU-China SPRP project activities have been

¹¹ Legal framework on Social Assistance; Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits; Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people.

an excellent opportunity for a closer cooperation between China and EU respective ministries which can be deep within more bilateral agreements.

- Annex 11 reproducing the Component 3 dashboard (self-monitoring) for the 1st quarter of 2016 highlights the activities completed and to be completed between the time of writing this report and the end of the current year. Additionally in Annex 10 there are deliverables of Component 3 presented for the time of drafting this report.

3.2 2016 Plan of activities

In 2016 Component work plan the approach suggested by MoCA relates to the effort already done in terms of the 3 results (from R9-R11) of the Project.

Annex 12 reproduces the revised work plan for C3 proposed activities, covering the period until February 2017.

The following paragraphs briefly address the following issues:

- Completing 2016 programme;
- Choosing technical topics for 2017;
- Conducting overseas activities;
- Visibility.

3.2.1 Choosing technical topics for 2016

During preliminary consultations with MoCA it was proposed to focus on three topics as included in the table 5.

Table 9 – Preliminary agreement on local study visits for the CN short-term experts in 2016 (as for mid-May 2016)

No	Topic*	participants	Destination	date
			No overlap- ping	
3.1.2	Governance framework for Social Assistance administra- tion and management pro- cess	Zuo Ting	Changchun and others in Jilin Province	June 2016

3.1.3	Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance		Guangzhou and Jiangmen in Guangdong Province	June 2016
3.1.4	Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes	Gang Shuge	Chengdu City and suburb	June 2016

Based on the experience from the year 2015, two batches of panel discussions have been scheduled for 2016. The first one is tentatively scheduled for July and the second one for November 2016

These Panel discussions would gather the Chinese experts dealing with the respective situational analysis, representatives of the interested Chinese stakeholders and the Component management. Consideration will be given to the possibility of arranging videoconference for the event, to facilitate participation by interested EU Member states specialists.

To support the Panel discussions sessions and in the production of subsequent panel reports – the preliminary set of topical reform proposals to follow with the corresponding requirement to deepen knowledge on most relevant European best practices will be prepared – ad hoc support will be provided by 1 Chinese and 1 European expert.

3rd C3 Panel discussion

3rd C3 Panel discussion for three interrelated topics has been initially scheduled for July 4th, 2016 and will be hosted by MoCA. Due to the identified limited time availability of the EU short-term experts selected for the topics 3.1.2;3.1.3;3.1.4 and in relation to the MoCA agreement the new date of the C3 3rd Panel discussion is September 2nd, 2016

This Panel discussion would gather the Chinese experts in charge of the respective situational analysis (See Table 10), representatives of the interested Chinese stakeholders and the Component management. Consideration will be given to the possibility of arranging videoconference for the event, to facilitate participation of interested EU Member States specialists. However due to the time constrains it can be a challenging issue.

To support the Panel discussion sessions and the production of subsequent panel reports, the preliminary set of typical reform proposals to follow with the correspond-

ing requirement to deepen knowledge on most relevant European best practices will be prepared. Ad hoc support will be provided by 3 Chinese and 3 European experts - one for each of the three reports.

Table 10 – Preliminary agreement on EU short-term experts for the 3^{rd} Panel discussion in 2016 (as for mid-May 2016)*

R	No	Topic	Incumbent	Deadline for providing situation analyses
9	3.1.2	Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process	1 EU short- expert	First draft report by July/August 2016 Final report by September 2016
9	3.1.3	Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance	1 EU short- expert	First draft report by July/August 2016 Final report by September 2016
9	3.1.4	Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes	1 EU short- expert	First draft report by July/August 2016 Final report by September 2016

^{*}EU missions expected from June 27th – July 8th, 2016

The output of this activity will be a solid ground for a preliminary formulation of desirable areas for reforms under the concerned topics, and a selection of European best practices worth deepening for that purpose. Deliverables will be reports on the Panel discussion sessions prepared by Chinese and European experts.

	July 2016
ITEM	Participants / Duration
Panel discussion Topics: 3.1.2; 3.1.3.; 3.1.4.	15 participants, 1 day

2nd C3 Workshop

The 2nd C3 Workshop is foreseen to be held in November. This will give an opportunity for in depth proposal of EU best practices for Chinese social assistance system

as well to present some preliminary policy recommendations from both Chinese and EU side.

2nd C3 Workshop organized possibly jointly with policy dialog meeting on the C3 research study foreseen to be executed between May and November 2016.

For the Workshop itself 3 EU experts are foreseen. For details please see Table 10.

Table 10 – Preliminary agreement on EU short-term experts for the 2^{nd} C3 Workshop in 2016 (as for mid-May 2016)*

R	No	Торіс	Incumbent	Deadline for providing situation analyses
9	3.1.2	Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process	1 EU short- expert	First draft report by November 2016 Final report by December 2016
9	3.1.3	Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance	1 EU short- expert	First draft report by November 2016 Final report by December 2016
9	3.1.4	Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes	1 EU short- expert	First draft report by November 2016 Final report by December 2016

^{*}EU missions expected a. mid November, 2016

ITEM	November 2016			
	Participants / Duration			
Workshop to discuss first proposals for reform options, topics: 3.1.2; 3.1.3; and 3.1.4.	35 participants, 1 day			

Further follow up of the 2015 EU-China High Level Forum on Social Protection Reform Challenges for Legal Framework of Social Assistance

As agreed by last PAC meeting a part of follow-up of activities such as EU-China HLF and situational analysis done in 2015, C3 will perform a study research on the social assistance structures of China, main Chinese achievements and challenges in relation to specific examples of the EU countries experiences. It is planned that this kind of activity will be executed by two experts one of them being a senior expert from the social assistance field from leading Chinese academy (familiar with the current policy making processes in China) and the other one representing the EU with broad knowledge on the EU experience within social assistance field¹². The main goal of the research will be to present the main achievements of the existing Chinese social assistance system and its challenges. Afterword the lessons learned will be confronted it with most relevant expertise and experience from the EU countries. The output of the research can be disseminated to promote social assistance policies in times of dynamic socio-economic conditions. It is planned that the outputs will be shared within a policy dialog meeting in Beijing and disseminate as a presentation of the Chinese achievements among other Asian countries.

3.2.1 Conducting overseas activities

As for 2016 Component 3 has scheduled two overseas activities. However the first one organized in April was supported by the Project in a very limited way by contacting partners and C3RE participation in the Polish part of the visit. The ministerial visit enabled a dialog on the policymaking level as well as among practitioners and focused on legal framework; minimum standards of living; specific groups. More information could be found on the websites of different parted hosting MoCA Delegation.¹³

The second one – C3 Study visit to the EU within the EU-China SPRP is planned for June 2016. During the visit 3 countries Romania, Czech Republic and Poland will be visited. The details of the agenda and the program are under final discussion at the time of writing of this report.

 $\underline{http://www.mpips.gov.pl/aktualnosci-wszystkie/art,5528,7877,spotkanie-z-ministrem-spraw-cywilnych-chinskiej-republiki-ludowej.html}$

 $\underline{http://prensa.empleo.gob.es/WebPrensa/noticias/ministro/detalle/2804}$

http://www.malopolskie.pl/Wydarzenia/?id=15898

http://www.blonie.pl/aktualnosc,wizyta-delegacji-z-chin

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¹² Research study will be executed on behalf of the research institution which the experts are representing.

¹³ http://www.euchinasprp.eu/index.php/en/events-en?view=event&itid=49 http://mzzt.mca.gov.cn/article/shjzgjhz/

Study Visit - topic: Social assistance: legal framework;	June 2016	
minimum standards of living; services for specific vulnera- ble groups	Participants / Duration	
Study visit to Romania, Czech Republic and Poland– Topics 3.1.1; 3.2.1; 3.3.1	7 participants, 10 days	

Still it is necessary to analyse the possibility to meet the expectations of MoCA to have the exchange of experiences also with non-Consortium EU countries.

2 weeks training is foreseen for early month of 2017 for around to 20 participants.

3.2.1 Visibility

The new arrangement set up by the new horizontal Secretariat includes also the visibility of the activities. C3 team is supporting the page with all new C3 outputs on a regular basis. Some improvement on the Project website till should be done. Mainly on the Shared Area to make it much more friendly and ensuring with some administrative power also the Beijing Office staff members to enable the updates are done up to date.

3.3 Revised GANTT

Implementation of 2016 C3 plan of activities has been included in the revised C3 GANTT form. See Annex 13.

1st Draft, May 16th, 2016

4 ANNEXES



Annex 1 Topics to be considered, Component 3



Topics to be considered, Component 3¹⁴

Result # Topi		Topic			
	3.1.1	Legal framework on Social Assistance			
R9	3.1.2	Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process			
	3.1.3	Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance			
	3.1.4	Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes			
	3.2.1	Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits			
R10	3.2.2	Identification of Social Assistance target groups			
	3.2.3	Overlapping and "cliff" effect management and policy framework			
	3.2.4	Procedures and methods for requirement verification within Social Assistance system at central, local, urban and rural level			
	3.3.1	Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people			
R11	3.3.2	Social Assistance services for poor people and families – service delivery approach			
	3.3.3	Communication techniques and channels of public information on Social Assistance policy			

¹⁴ Incorporating the changes agreed upon between MoCA and Component 3, subsequently endorsed by the PAC on its 21 April 2015 meeting.

Annex 2 C3 Human Resources in 2015



EU-CHINA SOCIAL PROTECTION REFORM PROJECT COMPONENT THREE - MONITORING OF HUMAN RE-SOURCES - 2015 SITUATION AT 31.12.2015.

	CATEGORY		1		DURATION W/D		
#	CN EX-	EX- EU EX- OFFICE POSITION		DORATION W/D		INCUMBENT	
	PERT	PERT	OFFICE		ALLOC.	CONTRACT	
1		Х		C3 EU RESIDENT EXPERT	FULL-	FULL-TIME	MARZENA BRE-
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2	X			CN EXPERT (OPERATIONS	27	NO	NOT ACCEPTED
	^			COORDINATOR)	21	/ NO	BY FORMEZ
3			X	COMPONENT ASSISTANT IN PROGRESS	60	60	HUO LEI / WENHUI WANG

4	X	CN MAIN SHORT-TERM EX- PERT RESEARCH 3.1.1 LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF SOCIAL AS- SISTANCE - SUBTOPICS 2, 4 AND COORDINATION 3.1.1. 3.2.1 EXPERIENCE ON UNIFIED STANDARDS FOR CALCULA- TION OF SOCIAL ASSISTANCE BENEFITS, SUBTOPIC 1 AND COORDINATION. 3.3.1 SOCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SPECIFIC VULNARABLE GROUPS - SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, ELDERLY, PEOPLE	91	91	GUO YU
		SPECIFIC VULNARABLE			
5	Х	CN SHORT-TERM EXPERT RESEARCH 3.1.1 LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF SOCIAL AS-	30	30	FANHUA KONG

			SISTANCE - SUBTOPIC 5.			
6	Х		CN SHORT-TERM EXPERT RESEARCH 3.1.1 LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF SOCIAL AS- SISTANCE - SUBTOPICS 1, 3.	30	70 / 30 paid	CAO FENG
7		Х	EU SHORT-TERM EXPERT ON THE OCASSION OF THE HIGH LEVEL FORUM ON SA	10	7	ZOFIA CZEPULIS- RUTKOWSKA
8	Х		2015 HLF on SA speaker	2	2	WANG YAN- ZHONG
9	Х		2015 HLF on SA speaker	2	2	GONGCHENG ZHENG
10	Х		2015 HLF on SA speaker	2	2	GUAN XINPING
11		Х	2015 HIGH LEVEL FORUM ON SOCIAL ASSISTANCE; EU SPEAKERS	DECIDED BY THE PL		NO DATA AVAIL- ABLE BY C3 CO- ORDINATOR

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12	X		RESEARCH 3.2.1 EXPERIENCE			
			ON UNIFIED STANDARDS FOR			
			CALCULATION OF SOCIAL AS-			
			SISTANCE BENEFITS, SUBTOP-			
			IC 2	45		
			RESEARCH 3.3.1 SOCIAL AS-			
			SISTANCE FOR SPECIFIC		40	ZUO TINO
			VULNARABLE GROUPS – SER-		40	ZUO TING
			VICES FOR CHILDREN, EL-			
			DERLY, PEOPLE WITH DISABIL-			
			ITIES, WITH A SPECIAL FOCUS			
			ON POOR RURAL PEOPLE			
			SUBTOPIC SOCIAL SUBTOPICS			
			1, 2 AND COORDINATION.			

13	X		3.2.1 EXPERIENCE ON UNIFIED STANDARDS FOR CALCULA-TION OF SOCIAL ASSISTANCE BENEFITS - SUBTOPIC 3 3.3.1 SOCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SPECIFIC VULNARABLE GROUPS – SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, ELDERLY, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, WITH A SPECIAL FOCUS ON POOR RURAL PEOPLE SUBTOPICS 3	30	30	GANG SHUGE
14		X	3.3.1 EU SHORT-TERM EXPERT ON BEST PRACTISES	15	10	MONIKA GABANYI
15		Х	3.2.1 EU SHORT-TERM EXPERT ON BEST PRACTISES	15	10	LACRAMIOARA CORCHES

Annex 3 National stakeholders for C3 component



Target Groups, Component 3	Final beneficiaries, Component 3
High level officials of NDRC	Rural people / farmers
High level officials, managers and staff of MoF	Rural landless households
High level official of managers and staff MoCA	Elderly / People in retirement age
High level officials of MoHRSS	Children (aged less 16)
High level officials of MoA	People with disabilities (physically or mentally)
High level officials, managers and staff of NHFPC	Patients
High level officials, managers and staff of LAO	Migrant workers
Members of CIRC	Indigent people
Representatives of ACWF	Unemployed people
Representatives of CSAF, CFPA, CFDP, CAA, CCF,	
NCF, CWDF, SCF, CCAFC, CSWF, RCSC representatives	
Members of CSAF, CFPA, CFDP, CAA, CCF,	
NCF, CWDF, SCF, CCAFC, CSWF, RCSC	
Local administrators, officials and staff *	

Annex 4 Human resources in 2016



EU-CHINA SOCIAL PROTECTION REFORM PROJECT COMPONENT THREE - MONITORING OF HUMAN RESOURCES - 2016 as for January 2016

	С	CATEGORY		וח		ATION W/D		OBSERVATIONS
#	CN EX-	EU EX-	OFFICE	POSITION	DOIN	TION W/D	INCUMBENT	OBSERVATIONS
	PERT	PERT	OFFICE		ALLOC.	CONTRACT		
1		Х		RESIDENT EX- PERT			MARZENA BREZA	FULL-TIME / INCLUDING LOCAL VISISTS WHEN DE- FINED
2			х	COMPONENT ASSISTANT			CAIHUA ZHANG	PART-TIME / INCLUDING LOCAL VISISTS WHEN DE- FINED
3	X			1. Policy recommendations report on 3.3.1 2. RESEARCH 3.1.2 Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process	16 (6+10)	TILL APRIL	ZUO TING	INCLUDING LOCAL VISISTS WHEN DEFINED

4	X	1. Policy recommendations report on 3.1.1 2. RESEARCH 3.1.3 Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance	16 (6+10)	TILL APRIL	GUO YU	INCLUDING LOCAL VISISTS WHEN DEFINED
5	X	1. Policy recommendations report on 3.2.1 2. RESEARCH 3.1.4 Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes	16 (6+10)	TILL APRIL	GANG SHUGE	INCLUDING LOCAL VISISTS WHEN DEFINED

6	X	CONSULTANCY FOR THE WORKSHOP ON THE TOPICS: 3.1.1.&3.2.1 &3.3.1 FROM YEAR 2015	30	3 EU EXPERTS FOR 2 WEEKS EACH	IN CHINA	FEBRUARY/MARCH, 2016 - 1ST C3 WORKSHOP
7	X	Best practises report - post mis- sion	5	LACRAMIOARA CORCHES	-	t on the IT supporting n for cash benefits ar- rangements
8	X	Best practises report - post mis- sion	5	MONIKA GAB- NYI	NGO role on social services delivery	
9	X	CONSULTANCY FOR THE 3RD PANEL DIS- CUSSION ON TOPICS: 3.1.2 & 3.1.3 & 3.1.4	30	3 EU EXPERTS FOR 2 WEEKS EACH	IN CHINA	JULY 2016 - 3RD C3 PANEL DISCUS- SION

10		X	CONSULTANCY FOR THE 2ND WORKSHOP ON TOPICS: 3.1.2 & 3.1.3 & 3.1.4	30	3 EU EXPERTS FOR 2 WEEKS EACH	IN CHINA	NOV 2016 - 2ND C3 WORKSHOP
11	х	х	POLICY DIALOG - FOLLOW UP OF THE HLF	TBC	CN&EU EX- PERTS	IN CHINA	TBD
12	Х		STUDY VISIT WITH A PARTIC- IPATION OF CN EXPERTS (MAX 4)	10	TBC - I.A. THE SHORT-TERM CHINESE EX- PERTS WORK- ING FOR C3	ROMAN PARIC	MAY 2016 VISITS TO POLAND AND IA MAX 10 DAYS/MAX 10 IPANTS (6 MOCA OFFI- LS & 4 CN EXPERTS)

Annex 5 Component 3 deliverables under reviewed period



 ${\bf Table~1-Component~3-deliverables~under~reviewed~period} ^{15}$

DATE	TITLE	AUTHOR	OBSERVATIONS
Dec 2015	Assessment report Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits - 3.2.1	Guo Yu Gang Shuge	EN/CN
Dec 2015	Assessment report Social Assistance specific vulnerable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people - 3.3.1	Zuo Ting Gang Shuge	EN/CN
Dec 2015	Mission report - Dalian	Guo Yu	EN
Dec 2015	Mission report - Shanghai	Guo Yu	EN
Dec 2015	Mission report - Xining, Qinghai Province	Zuo Ting	EN
Dec 2015	Mission report - Zhangjiajie, Hunan Province	Zuo Ting	EN
Dec 2015	2 nd Panel Discussion meeting report	Marzena Breza	EN
Dec 2015	BEST PRACTICES REPORT – 3.3.1	Monika Gabanyi	EN
Dec 2015	BEST PRACTICES REPORT – 3.2.1	Lacramioara Corches	EN
March 2016	1 st C3 Workshop report	Marzena Breza Comp 3 Assis- tant	EN
March 2016	Policy recommendations 3.1.1	Guo Yu	CN/EN
March 2016	Policy recommendations 3.2.1	Gang Shuge	CN/EN
March 2016	Policy recommendations 3.3.1	Zuo Ting	CN/EN
April 2016	Best practice report 3.1.1	Davor Domin- kus	EN
April 2016	Best practice report 3.2.1	Mel Cousins	EN
April 2016	Best practice report 3.3.1	Jadwiga Pauli	EN
May 2016	Report on the IT supporting system for cash benefits arrangements	Lacramioara Corches	EN
May 2016	NGO role on social services delivery	Monika Gabanyi	EN

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¹⁵ All files available from the SPRP Dropbox

May	MoCA Ministerial visit to Poland and Spain	C3RE mission report	EN
June/July*	2015 High Level Forum on Social Assistance – conference report	Marzena Breza Comp 3 Assistant Authors of the papers	EN/CN

^{*}first draft report shared with the Consortium and MoCA by May 13th, 2016.





Quaterly Dashboard (January to March 2016)

Component 3 - Impropolicy for social a							
Expected Results	Topics	Activities	Inputs (ex- pecte/actual)	Type of Output	Deadline as planned	Current status	Mitig if de
R.9 The capacity of the MoCA for promulgating and enforcing the Social Assistance Law and the regulations on rural and urban minimum standards of living are strengthened; the skills of local	3.1.1 Legal framework on Social Assistance	Situational Analysis	C3 RE, 3 STE CN	1 Report (analysis and suggestions) supported by several local study visits across China - 6 in total supported by mission reports	July,2015	completed	

officials in po transmission a plementation a graded.	nd im- are up-		Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	1. Comments included in the meeting report;	July,2015	completed			
			Panel discussion with stakeholders on the identification phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 3 STE CN	meeting report with recommen- dations	July,2015	completed			
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	High Level Forum on Social Assis- tance in Bei- jing	MoCA, Consortium	1. Consortium Background report; 2. Conference background materials	September, 2015	completed	
	High Level Forum on Social Assis- tance in Bei- jing	C3 RE, 1 EU STE, MoCA, Consortium	1. Conference report with recomendations	June-July, 2016	rescheduled	
	Training / Study assignments to EU countries	MoCA, C3 RE, CN Experts	Study visit to Poland and Czech Republic & Romania; mission report	June, 2016	postponed	

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	Specific analysis of relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	Preliminary reform proposals	Mar-16	completed	in pro the E port; submi the e Ma
	Workshop with stake- holders on the analysis phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 2 STE CN (E), 1 STE EU (E)	1 Report (E) Draft 1	Mar-16	completed	
	Elaboration of reform proposals	1 STE CN (E)	Preliminary re- form proposals	Feb/March 2016	completed	conci to be lisl
	Follow up of the 2015 HLF on So- cial Assis- tance - re- search study	CN&EU experts	2 reports (E)	Nov-16	planned	conci to be lisl
	High Level Policy Dialog - 2 EU-China SPRP Consortium Member Countries (PL&ES)	MoCA 6 officials delegation under the leadership of Mr Li Minister MOCA; C3RE	Mission report	April, 2016	planned	

	Situational Analysis	C3 RE, 1 STE CN (E)	1 Report (E); supported by several local study visits across China	Sep-16	on-going	
	Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	1 Report on best practices	July/August 2016	planned	
for on	Panel discussion with stakeholders on the identification phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 1 STE CN Experts, 1 STE EU	1 meeting report	July/August 2016	planned	
	Training / Study assignments to EU countries	MoCA, C3RE, EU public staff and EU STE	background and training materi- als; MoCA mis- sion report		postponed	
	Specific analysis of relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	Preliminary reform proposals	Novemeber/December, 2016	planned	

3.1.2 Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process

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	Workshop with stake- holders on the analysis phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 1 STE CN Experts, 1 STE EU	1 Report (E) Draft 1	November, 2016	planned	
	Elaboration of reform proposals	1 STE CN (E)	Preliminary reform proposals	Novemeber/December, 2016	planned	
	Situational Analysis	C3 RE, 1 STE CN (E)	1 Report (E); supported by several local study visits across China	Sep-16	on-going	
3.1.3 Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance	Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	1 Report on best practices	July/August 2016	planned	
	Panel discussion with stakeholders on the identification phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 3 STE CN (E)	1 meeting report	July/August 2016	planned	

	Training / Study assignments to EU countries	MoCA, EU public staff and EU STE	background and training materi- als; MoCA mis- sion report		postponed	
	Specific analysis of relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	1 Report (E) Draft 1	Novemeber/December, 2016	planned	
	Workshop with stake- holders on the analysis phase	MoCA, C3 RE, CN Experts	1 Report (E) Draft 1	November, 2016	planned	
	Elaboration of reform proposals	1 STE CN (E)	Preliminary reform proposals	Novemeber/December, 2016	planned	
3.1.4 Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes	Situational Analysis	C3 RE, 1 STE CN (E)	1 Report (E); supported by several local study visits across China	Sep-16	on-going	

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Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	1 Report on best practices	July/August 2016	planned	
Panel discussion with stakeholders on the identification phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 3 STE CN (E)	Report on best practices	July/August 2016	planned	
Training / Study assignments to EU countries	MoCA, EU public staff and EU STE	background and training materi- als; MoCA mis- sion report		postponed	
Specific analysis of relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	1 Report (E) Draft 1	Novemeber/December, 2016	planned	
Workshop with stake- holders on the analysis phase	MoCA, C3 RE, CN Experts	1 Report (E) Draft 1	November, 2016	planned	

		Elaboration of reform proposals	1 STE CN (E)	Preliminary reform proposals	Novemeber/December, 2016	planned	
Result 10: The legal		Situational Analysis	C3 RE, 2 STE (E)	1 Report; supported by several local study visits across China	December, 2015	completed	
frameworks on a) formulation of unified standards for the estimation and calculation of social assistance benefits, b) recognition of social assistance target groups	3.2.1 Experirences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits	Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	Report on best practices	December, 2015	completed	
c) identification of low- income families are consolidated		Panel discussion with stakeholders on the identification phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 2 STE CN, 1 STE EU	1 meeting report	December, 2015	completed	

Training / Study assignments to EU countries	MoCA, C3 RE, CN Experts	Study visit to Poland and Czech Republic & Romania; mission report	June, 2016	postponed	
Specific analysis of relevant EU experience	1 STE EU	Preliminary reform proposals	February/March, 2016	completed	in propost neport syste aplicasses and paproce
Workshop with stake- holders on the analysis phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 2 STE CN (E), 1 STE EU (E)	1 Report (E) Draft 1	February/March, 2016	completed	in pro the E port; submi- the e Ma
Elaboration of reform proposals	1 STE CN (E)	Preliminary reform proposals	February/March, 2016	completed	conci to be lisl

		Follow up of the 2015 HLF on So- cial Assis- tance - re- search study	CN&EU experts	2 reports (E)	Nov-16	planned	conci to be lish
		Situational Analysis	C3 RE, 2 STE (E)	1 Report; supported by several local study visits across China	December, 2015	completed	
Result 11: Efforts of the MoCA in improved care for poor rural people and disabled people are strengthened, and public information and transparency of social assistance policies are raised	3.3.1 Social Assistance specific voulnarable groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people	Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience	1 STE EU (E)	Report on best practices	December, 2015	completed	
at provincial level		Panel discussion with stakeholders on the identification phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 2 STE CN, 1 STE EU	1 meeting report	February, 2016	completed	

Training / Study assignments to EU countries	MoCA, C3 RE, CN Experts	Study visit to Poland and Czech Republic & Romania; mission report	June, 2016	postponed	
Specific analysis of relevant EU experience	1 STE EU	Preliminary reform proposals	February/March, 2016	completed	in pro post n repo NGO deliv socia vio
Workshop with stake- holders on the analysis phase	MoCA, C3 RE, 2 STE CN (E), 1 STE EU (E)	1 Report (E) Draft 1	February/March, 2016	completed	in pro the E port; submi the e Ma

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High Level Policy Dialog - bilateral meetings







Component 3 - Overall Plan of Activities - March 2015 - February 2017

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0.1	Selection of sub-topics to be covered under specific year					Y1	Y 1					Y2	Y2	Y 2				
0.2	TOR, selection, recruitment CN & Euroepan Experts					Y1	Y1							Y 2	Y2			
	Identification Phase																	
3.0	Preparation of brief diagnosis, establish baseline data, analysis audience of project results (macro-activity 0.1)																 	
3.1.	Situational Analysis																	
3.1.1	In-depth analysis on the topics 3.1.1;																	

3.1.2	In-depth analysis on the topic 3.2.1; 3.3.1	_ '											
3.1.3	In-depth analysis on the topic 3.1.2; 3.1.3; 3.1.4												
3.1.4	Preparation of the Situational Analysis Reports for topics 3.1.1;					TSV						 	
3.1.5	Preparation of the Situational Analysis Reports for topics 3.2.1; 3.3.1								LSV				
3.1.6	Preparation of the Situational Analysis Reports (including local study visits) for topics 3.1.2; 3.1.3; 3.1.4												
3.2	Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience												
3.2.1	Preparation of General Country Reports (cross topics)												
3.2.2	Involvement of other EU Contries in the research on EU Best Practice on the specific sub-topics												
3.2.3	Research and preparation of reports on EU Countries Best Practices on the specific sub-topics												
3.3	Panel discussions with stakeholders on the Identification Phase												
3.3.1.1	Preparation of Panel discussion contents on possible EU Best Practices to apply in China about the specific topics 3.1.1;					PD							
3.3.1.2	Preparation of Panel discussion contents on possible EU Best Practices to apply in China about the specific topics 3.2.1; 3.3.1									PD			
3.3.1.3	Preparation of Panel discussion contents on possible EU Best Practices to apply in China about the specific topics 3.1.2; 3.1.3; 3.1.4												

3.3.2	Identification and travels organisation of EU Expert on the topics included in Panel discussion									
3.3.3	Meetings to share and discuss the EU Best Practices and to select models to be possibly applied in China									
3.3.4	Preparation of reports with the Panel discussion results and sharing with the Main Chinese stakeholders									
	Analisys Phase	4								
3.4	Specific analysis of relevant EU experience									
3.4.1.1	Technical feasibility of EU MS Best Practices to be introduced in China and preliminary reform proposals about the specific topics 3.1.1									
3.4.1.2	Technical feasibility of EU MS Best Practices to be introduced in China and preliminary reform proposals about the specific topics 3.2.1; 3.3.1									
3.4.1.3	Technical feasibility of EU MS Best Practices to be introduced in China and preliminary reform proposals about the specific topics 3.1.2; 3.1.3; 3.1.4									
3.4.2	Definition of a first draft of reform proposal/policy recommendations									
3.5	Policy Dialog/Study Assignments to EU countries									
3.5.0	High Level Policy Dialog / Ministerial visit to two EU-China SPRP Consortium Member Countries - PL and ES on topics 3.1.1; 3.2.1; 3.3.1.									HLPD
3.5.1	10-days study tour to Europe (3 EU-China SPRP countries- PL,CZ and RO) on the topic of legal framework of Social Assis- tance									

3.5.1.1	Organisation of study tour to Europe (best practices on topics 3.1.1; 3.2.1; 3.3.1)												
3.5.1.2	Travels and logistic organisation of study tour	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			 <u> </u>	<u> </u>				
3.5.1.3	Carrying out study tour												
3.5.1.4	Reports on study tour and sharing with main Chinese stakeholders												
3.6	Workshop with stakeholders on the Analysis Phase												
3.6.1	Preparation of Workshop contents on proposals about the specific topics				K								
3.6.2	Identification and travel organisation of EU Experts on the topics included in Workshop		K										
3.6.3	Meeting for discussing the contents previously identified on the on concrete final proposals												
3.6.4	Workshop closing event											ws	
3.6.5	Preparation of a report with the Workshop results and sharing with the Main Chinese stakeholders												
3.7	Elaboration of reform proposals												
3.7.2.1	Final identification of reform proposals on topics 3.1.1							 					
3.7.2.2	Final identification of reform proposals on topics 3.2.1; 3.3.1												
3.7.2.3	Final identification of reform proposals on topics 3.1.2; 3.1.3; 3.1.4												
3.7.3	Definition of a detailed plan activities for testing the proposals lo- cally (if requested) and for the following stages												
3.7.4	Preparation of the final reform proposal document and sharing with the Main Chinese stakeholders												

	Follow Up Phase									
3.8	Technical assistance and tool development, training needs									
3.9	Pilot activities									
	Horizontal macro activities									
3.10.	2015 EU-China High Level Forum on Social Protection Reform Challenges for Legal Framework of Social Assistance		4							
3.10.1	Choose topic for High Level Event									
3.10.2	Prepare programme, choose venue, arrange logistics for HLE									
3.10.3	Select speakers, panleists and researches									
3.10.4	Prepare visibility activities related to the HLE									
3.10.5	Hold HLE									
3.10.6	Report on the HLE									
3.11	Reporting and Evaluation									
3.11.1	EU Results-oriented mission (ROM)									
3.11.2	Components reports									
3.12	PAC meetings									

LSV - local study visits

HLE - High Level Forum on Social Assistance

PD - Panel Discussion

WS - Workshop

HLPD - High Level Policy Dialog

Annex 8 Revised GANTT – Component 3





Overall presentation of activities Component 3

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3	Component 3 - Improving of legal framework and policy for social assistance							LSV	LSV		HLE		C	C		C	C				C	С
3.1	Result 9: The capacity of the MoCA for promulgating and enforcing the Social Assistance Law and the regulations on rural and urban minimum standards of living are strengthened; the skills of local officials in policy transmission and implementation are upgraded.																					
3.1.1	Legal framework on Social Assistance							PD									WS	QdTH		SV		
3.1.2	Governance framework for Social Assistance administration and management process																		TSV	LSV	PD	

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3.1.3	Processes and activities of policy transmission and implementation carried out at central and local level of Social Assistance												LSV	LSV	PD	
3.1.4	Monitoring and evaluation of Social Assistance schemes												LSV	LSV	PD	
3.2	Result 10: The legal frameworks on a) formulation of unified standards for the estimation and calculation of social assistance benefits, b) recognition of social assistance target groups c) identification of low-income families are consolidated															
3.2.1	Experiences on unified standards for calculation of Social Assistance benefits								PD		ws	HLPD		SV		
3.2.2	Identification of Social Assistance target groups															
3.2.3	Overlapping and "cliff" effect management and policy framework															
3.2.4	Procedures and methods for requirement verification within Social Assistance system at central, local, urban and rural level															

3.3	Result 11: Efforts of the MoCA in improved care for poor rural people and disabled people are strengthened, and public information and transparency of social assistance policies are raised at provincial level												
3.3.1	Social Assistance for specific groups - services for children, elderly, people with disabilities, with a special focus on poor rural people							PD		ws	HLPD	SV	
3.3.2	Social Assistance services for poor people and families – service delivery approach												
3.3.3	Communication techniques and channels of public information on Social Assistance policy												

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	Identification Phase: Situation analysis, Identification and review of possible relevant EU experience, Workshop with Stakeholders on the Identification
	Analysis Phase: Specific analysis of relevant EU experience, Training/visits to EU countries, Workshop with Stakeholders on the Analysis Ph
	Follow-up Phase: Follow-up and ongoing technical assistance and tool development, Training needs analysis and training definition, Possible
	learned.
SV	Study visit abroad
PD	Panel Discussion

WS

Workshop

HLPD	High Level Policy Dialog
C	Technical consultancy by European expert
HLE	First High Level Event on Social Assistance

