



COUNTRY PROFILE	
Size of Population	9,755,000
Gross National Income Per Capita	US\$ 2,120
Average Life Expectancy	68
HIV Prevalence Rate (2003 Est.)	Not available
Number of People Living with HIV/AIDS (2003 Est.)	Not available
Number of People Living with Tuberculosis (2004 Est.)	6,684

GRANT INFORMATION

Disease	HIV/AIDS
Round	3
Start Date	1 December 2004
Two-Year Amount	US\$ 6,818,796
Five-Year Amount	US\$ 17,369,100
Amount Disbursed	US\$ 4,724,712
Principal Recipient	United Nations Development Programme



SUMMARY OF GRANT INFORMATION

Prevention and Treatment of HIV/AIDS in Belarus 2004-2006

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

To scale up HIV prevention among vulnerable populations and ensure that adequate treatment, care and support are provided to people living with HIV.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Following an outbreak of HIV among injecting drug users in 1996, HIV incidence remained relatively stable in Belarus until 2002, when numbers began to increase significantly. The majority of infections (68 percent) occur among young people between the ages of 20 and 29. The program supported by this Global Fund grant focuses on highly vulnerable groups such as commercial sex workers, men who have sex with men, injecting drug users and prisoners. It also increases support and treatment to people living with HIV. The program funds needle exchange points that provide clean needles and condoms as well as medical care and other psychological support and has introduced substitution therapy with methadone in regions with high levels of drug use. The program funds targeted prevention education and materials, diagnosis and treatment of opportunistic infections, antiretroviral treatment for people living with HIV, services for the prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV and treatment for all children living with HIV. It also improves disease monitoring through the establishment of laboratory facilities to determine CD4 levels and viral loads.

COUNTRY PROFILE	
Size of Population	3,907
Gross National Income Per Capita	US\$ 2,040
Average Life Expectancy	73
HIV Prevalence Rate (2003 Est.)	<0.1 percent
Number of People Living with HIV/AIDS (2003 Est.)	900
Number of People Living with Tuberculosis (2004 Est.)	2,089

GRANT INFORMATION

Disease	HIV/AIDS
Round	5
Start Date	Not signed yet
Two-Year Amount	US\$ 4,832,387
Five-Year Amount	US\$ 11,042,257
Amount Disbursed	Not applicable
Principal Recipient	Not signed yet



SUMMARY OF GRANT INFORMATION

Coordinated National Response to HIV/AIDS and TB

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

To prevent the spread of HIV, focusing on vulnerable groups.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

In 2002, the response to HIV/AIDS in Bosnia and Herzegovina became organized, and since that time efforts have been scaled up and the fight against HIV/AIDS has been included in the national strategy by the recently-established National Advisory Board to Combat HIV/AIDS.

This grant aims to increase survival rates of people living with HIV one year after diagnosis from 25 percent to 90 percent by establishing voluntary counseling and testing services and a referral system, by providing treatment (including antiretroviral therapy, to all who need it) and by decreasing stigma and discrimination against people living with HIV. The grant seeks to strengthen and scale up existing services in order to ensure country-wide coverage. Due to the fragmented health system, considerable inequities in service availability exist and this program will promote harmonized approaches and policies. Prevention activities are based on harm reduction principles, including community outreach, peer education, diversified drug treatment services, fighting stigma and discrimination and condom distribution and promotion.