

# Eastern Europe & CIS

## ONE WORLD ONE HOPE

### "The Millennium Development Goals is Common Vision and Global Commitments"

#### Needs assessment of socioeconomic indicators in relation to the Millennium Development Goals in the Regions

In the Eastern Europe countries, the majority of people live in the rural areas, most people was secured employment and guaranteed health assistance, and other benefits for their families. Since the collapse of the former communist system in the region, poverty has increased nearly one person in five lives below the poverty line and poverty affects five times more people in the region. In many areas, former collective and state farms have been privatized, the people leaving and working in the rural area is unemployed and with few opportunities of employments, due to Most privatized farms have divested social assets such as schools, health care services and community centers, and public administrations lack the financial and institutional capacity to support communities.



The progress towards the Millennium Development Goals has to make use of appropriate statistical indicators. At the world level, these indicators will be used for the goals are global and not necessarily relevant to countries in transition in Eastern Europe and the CIS. Thus the principal indicator for the eradication of poverty in the list is the proportion of people whose income is less than one dollar a day. In according to on this criterion only one quarter of one per cent of the population were poor in Eastern Europe and Central Asia before transition.

In order to meet the legitimate need for harmonized information on the progress toward the Millennium Development Goals, and to provide at the same time a regionally relevant picture of human development in Eastern Europe and the CIS, in the relationship of income-related poverty to other factors of welfare, such as social inclusion/exclusion, education or health should be carefully studied as a basis of planning, implementing and monitoring poverty alleviation policies.