



Addressing poverty housing in the second poorest country in Europe

Where East Meets West





Republic of Macedonia

- Small, landlocked country of 2 mil. population
- Region troubled by interethnic conflicts during the past years
- Weak economy, poorly maintained infrastructure, impoverished people







Poverty update

- GDP per capita US\$
 4,664; average salary
 US\$ 450 per month
- 36% unemployed,
 31% live below the
 national poverty line
- 40% consider themselves as poor







Poverty housing

- 1990 to date: new constructions per 1000 inhabitants dropped from 5 to 1.6 units
- 110,000 homes (16% of the existing housing stock) need immediate reconstruction, due to unsafe construction, poor maintenance and lack of sanitation







HFH Macedonia











- Non governmental, not-for-profit association established in 2005
- Focus on sustainable housing microfinance models developed as partnerships with entities sharing similar mission and vision





Program structure





Developing partnerships

Multi-step process covering organizational:

- Vision & Mission
- Values
- Strategies
- Goals & Objectives





Sharing values

- Commitment to sustainable programmes that enable partners to recycle its resources
- Viewing families as responsible and accountable clients, fully capable of repaying their loans

PROVIDERS'
SUSTAINABILITY



CLIENTS'
ACCOUNTABILITY





Sharing funds

- Partners contribute to the jointly established funds, HIF and RHF
- HIF: Moznosti contributes twice of HFH Macedonia's input
- RHF: Horizonti matches HFH Macedonia's input
- In 2008 DIGH committed € 1 million to the joint fund with Moznosti







Sharing responsibilities

HFH Macedonia:

- determines the target group
- provides construction advice
- does construction monitoring

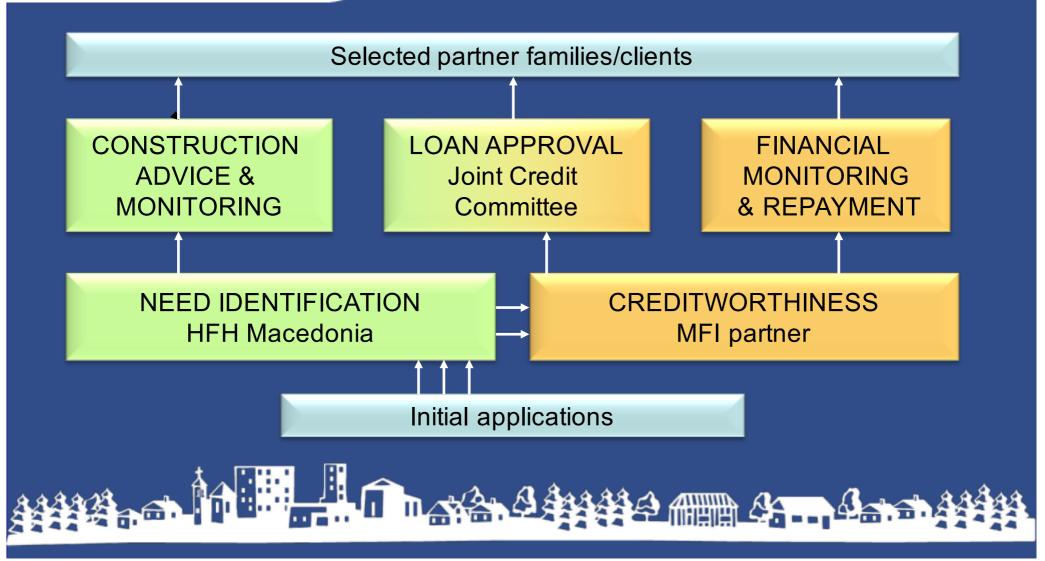
Microfinance partner:

- does screening of the client's financial reliability
- process the loans
- is responsible for repayments





Process flow





New Builds

- Traditional Habitat program that brings visibility and recognition
- Project in Veles: 102 homes in 11 buildings, total of 5674 m2 in three years







Water supply

- Households' connection to existing public water supply and sanitation networks
- In partnership with local governments
- Cheapest intervention per family served
- Scaling up expected during FY2011





Energy efficiency

- Energy efficient interventions for low income families
- Savings in energy costs to justify the cost of the intervention
- Multiple modelling phases, including USAID pilot project







Programs performance

	Families served/housing improvements completed						
	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	TOTAL	Average loan per intervention (US\$)
HIF	32	54	92	122	170	470	4,759
RHF			24	40	75	139	2,554
HB/NB			2	1		3	11,786
WSS			61	115	203	379	378
EEH				12	71	83	1,643
All	32	54	179	290	519	1074	
	As of June 30	2010					





HFH IBoD 2008

- HFH context and strategic commitment to scale with a special focus on Macedonia, ECA's leading program in housing microfinance
- Housing & Microfinance –
 Reaching the Poor at Scale
- Forum for discussion and exchange







Recognition

- Area Vice President Award for Partnership Development
- Edit Kaslik Award for Housing Finance and Microfinance
- Eszter Award for Communications and Advocacy
- Millard Fuller Award for Families Served & Homes Built: Highest % increase in families served (233%)
- Solomon Award for Resource Development: Highest US designated income % increase (436%)
- HFH IBoD Award for Board Development
- World Bank Award GDN's Most Innovative Development Projects Worldwide





How you can help?

- Come and build with us!
- Recommend us to supporters!
- Hold us in your prayers!

Thank you



