

Donor country Austria			
Project/programme title Environmentally sound technologies and cleaner production for SMEs in Nicaragua			
Purpose Enhancing the competitiveness and productivity of industry in Nicaragua, promoting sustained social advance in a way compatible with environmental protection			
Recipient country Nicaragua	Sector Small and medium Scale enterprise development (solar energy)	Total funding US\$ 0.94 million	Years in operation Since 2006
Description <p>The project will foster the development and diffusion of Environmentally Sound Technologies (ESTs) with a special focus on solar energy in order to enhance the quality and productivity of the national industries providing them with the necessary tools that will facilitate access to national and regional markets with environmentally sound products and improving the ability of national enterprises to successfully negotiate their position in the global markets.</p> <p>The project will rely upon the experience of the Nicaraguan National Cleaner Production Center in Nicaragua with companies mainly from the food, metalmechanic and tourism sectors, in which the CPC has already gained significant experience through the implementation of CP (Cleaner Production) and EST measures. The activities of the project will focus on capacity building in the development, EST development and promotions, policy advice and implementation of demonstration projects.</p>			
Indicate factors that led to project's success Up-scaling of pilot activities of the partners; tailor made approaches involving comprehensive support packages.			
Technology transferred Solar thermal systems			
Impact on greenhouse gas emissions/sinks			