## Guidance for bilateral projects

August 2018

## Checklist for Project Completion

**Name of the Project**

| **Item** | **Date of completion** | **Responsible** |
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| Decision on project completion (in the Steering Committee meeting) preferably at least a year before completion |  | MFA Desk Officer |
| Phasing out Plan (Handing over plan / exit strategy)  (Often it is a part of the last year work plan) |  | Implementing Agency |
| Inventory of the assets |  | Project Director and  Consultant |
| Inventory of reports, studies, designs, etc. |  | Project Director and Consultant |
| Preparation of Handing Over certificates (project assets) |  | Project Director and Consultant |
| Terminating any local contracts (employment, utilities, etc.) that have been made by the TA and ensuring their transfer to local authorities, when applicable; including respective payments (severance payments to local staff etc.) |  | Consultant |
| Signing of the Handing Over certificates (project assets) |  | Receiving unit and  Consultant (if in charge of asset management); signature or endorsement by Embassy |
| Draft completion report prepared |  | Implementing Agency and Project Director |
| Draft completion report received |  | MFA Desk Officer |
| Draft completion presented to the SC/SVB |  | MFA Desk Officer |
| Preparation of the “Document to certify the completion of the project” |  | Project Director and Consultant |
| Signing of the Document to certify the completion of the project, organizing the Handing Over ceremony |  | Government (partner country) and Finnish Embassy |
| Communications/ News regarding the completion |  | Finnish Embassy and MFA Desk Officer |
| Approval and payment of the last invoice of the service provider |  | MFA Desk Officer |
| Proposal and decision on reallocation of project funds (if not 100% delivery) |  | MFA Desk Officer and Director General |
| Final Completion Report to MFA archive |  | MFA Desk Officer |
| Preparing a Final evaluation is useful |  | MFA Desk Officer |
| Sharing the lessons learned |  | MFA Desk Officer, Finnish Embassy and partner country representatives |
| Closing of the programme/project in AHA |  | MFA Desk Officer |