



MTC Experience Across the Globe: Mongolia

BACKGROUND INFORMATION



Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) awarded a Blanket Purchase Agreement to the Creative Associates International team in September 2007. MTC is a partner on the team and assisted with the vocational consulting in Mongolia. The MCC Compact project in Mongolia was designed to upgrade the railway system between Mongolia and Russia. One element of the project is a total reform of the national and regional vocational system which will contribute to a more skilled workforce and collaboration among ministries and stakeholders.

A FRAMEWORK FOR SUCCESS

In late 2007, MTC provided consultants to Ulaan Bataar, Mongolia to evaluate the country's current governance structure and vocational training programs. Again, in April 2008, MTC continued reviewing the proposed project implementation design, system development, status of a new law governing Mongolian vocational training and evaluation of the current programs. The visit included a meeting with multiple donors to review contributions and impacts of the collaborative, multi-donor effort. MTC was also asked to design a labor market analysis and public/private partnership model. One of MTC's consultants returned to Mongolia in late 2008.



LASTING RESULTS



MTC was instrumental in providing "due diligence" for the project design and work plan, leading to the start of the compact project in September 2008. MTC assisted with framework development and evaluation of the project implementation staff. Stakeholder meetings were held with the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, Ministry of Social Welfare and Labor, employer associations, private companies, training entities, social sector representatives, NGOs and other donors. Feasibility studies were validated and documented in reports and strategy groups.