

CALL FOR INTEREST FOR AN INTERNATIONAL EXPERT

GWP-Med is seeking for an international expert to provide Technical support to the Project Coordination Unit for the preparation of the Drin Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis in the Framework of the GEF Drin Project

Interested experts should send their CV at secretariat@gwpmed.org and until **14 December 2017. Details regarding the assignment are included here below and in the Terms of Reference that accompany this Call.**

The GEF Drin Project

The GEF supported Project “Enabling transboundary cooperation and integrated water resources management in the extended Drin River Basin” (GEF Drin Project) is aligned in content, aims and objectives with the Action Plan and the activities under the Drin CORDA.

The objective of the project is to *promote joint management of the shared water resources of the transboundary Drin River Basin, including coordination mechanisms among the various sub-basin joint commissions and committees*. Albania, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kosovo and Montenegro are the Project beneficiaries.

The GEF Drin Project is structured around five components:

Component 1: Consolidating a common knowledge base

Component 2: Building the foundation for multi-country cooperation

Component 3: Institutional strengthening for Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM)

Component 4: Demonstration of technologies and practices for IWRM and ecosystem management

Component 5: Stakeholder Involvement, Gender Mainstreaming and Communication Strategies

The Project is implemented by the UNDP and executed by the Global Water Partnership (GWP) through GWP-Mediterranean (GWP-Med) in cooperation with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE); GWP-Med is responsible for the realization of the Project. The Drin Core Group is the Steering Committee (SC) of the Project.

It is managed by a Project Coordination Unit (PMU), based in Tirana, Albania; staff is stationed also in Podgorica, Ohrid, Pristina, and Athens. The duration of the Project is four years.

Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA)

The GEF Drin Project within its Component 1: “Consolidating a common knowledge base” will carry out a Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA).

The TDA shall provide the necessary information that will enable Drin Riparians to discuss and decide on the issues that will be addressed with priority as well as to negotiate and formulate a Strategic Action Programme to address the causes and drivers.

The **GEF TDA-SAP methodology** will be used for the development of the TDA (<http://iwlearn.net/manuals/tda-sap-methodology>). The “**Situation Analysis – Management of the Extended Drin Basin**” (Drin Situation Analysis - DSA) serves as a starting point for the development of the Drin TDA. The DSA represents a comprehensive attempt to identify the transboundary issues in the Drin basin and their causes; it was prepared by GWP-Med and national experts in the framework of the preparation of the Drin Project.