CALL FOR OFFERS - DRIN DAY 2020:

GEF/UNDP/GWP-Med project 'Enabling transboundary cooperation and integrated water resources management in the extended Drin River Basin' (GEF Drin Project) endeavors to raise public awareness on natural wealth and cultural heritage of the Drin River Basin through the celebration of Drin Day 2020.

The **7th Annual Celebration of the Drin Day**; aiming to inspire collective and transboundary actions towards protecting the Drin River Basin and its freshwater ecosystems, is organized under the auspices of the **Drin Coordinated Action**, and will take place on **July 2020**.

This year, the focus is **biodiversity of the Basin**. In this regard, we encourage the preparation and submission of proposals from groups of NGOs'; activities should focus, geographically, to a single sub-basin or transboundary activities proposals.

You are invited to submit your application to receive support describing the events you wish to organize. An amount of maximum USD 6,000.00/- (Six Thousand US Dollars) which at least half of it is for promotional/printing costs and will be available as seed funding to support each selected organization. One proposal will be selected per riparian country, four in total.

This amount includes all other costs, income taxes and any other amount payable or cost that may be required for the completion of the work/service.

NGOs will be selected based on their proposals for the celebration of the Drin Day on the basin or sub-basin level.

The selection criteria are the following:

ON/OFF requirements (if not met, proposal will be rejected with no further evaluation).

- 1. Interested bidders should be a NGO or a Civil Society organization.
- 2. Experience of the bidder(s) in carrying out similar activities- at least one similar activity.
- 3. Minimum Establishment period of the bidder(s) should be at least 2 Years proven through official establishment documentation (e.g. not after 01/03/2018).

Evaluation Criteria: All criteria carry equal weight.

- 1. Relevance of Activities (implemented projects, campaigns) proposed to subject of focus (biodiversity).
- 2. Activities containing educational, awareness raising and field actions.
- 3. Level of innovation of activities proposed.
- 4. Awareness raising material planned to be produced for dissemination.
- 5. Anticipated Outreach (expected number of people engaged within the suggested activities) and anticipated size of area influenced by the suggested activities due to engagement and raising of awareness on the topic addressed.
- 6. In kind contribution/co-financing. Please state in detail the in kind contribution/co financing for the celebration of the DRIN DAY 2020.

You are kindly invited to read carefully the attached (<u>Terms of Reference</u>) and submit:

- 1) Your proposal (Application Form).
- 2) **Detailed financial budget** for the activities planned for the celebration of the Drin Day 2020 to the GWP-Med (dejan.panovski@gwpmed.org)
- 3) Evidence on Establishment of the NGO (Certificate of registration) in English, translated by a certified translator.
- 4) List of similar implemented projects (in the field of Environment, water, or nature resources awareness) in the last 5 years.

We look forward to having your organization on board this endeavor to directly approach citizens in an activity which will not only be beneficial to the environment, but which will also support NGOs and stakeholder's consensus in knowing that we are all joining efforts and making a statement more or less at the same time throughout the Drin River Basin.

More details about the Project and the Process can be found here.

*Proposals should be submitted to <u>dejan.panovski@gwpmed.org</u> by the 18th of MAY 2020.

Successful applicants will be notified by the end of **May 2020**.

Termination / cancelation / repetition / reformulation of the procurement procedure

- 1. The Contracting Authority may, by a reasoned decision, and after the opinion of the competent body, cancel the procurement procedure by annulent of the respective Call, either due to failure to submit a tender or the rejection of all tenders or the exclusion of all bidders in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Call.
- 2. Cancellation of the procurement procedure may take place by a reasoned decision of the Contracting Authority, in the following cases:
- i. due to the irregularity of the procurement procedure
- ii. if the financial and technical parameters related to the award process have changed substantially and the execution of the contractual object is no longer of interest to the Contracting Authority
- iii. if due to force majeure, the contract cannot be properly executed
- iv. if the tender selected is deemed not economically advantageous
- v. in case of expiry of the bids
- vi. in case the needs of the contracting Authority and / or of the beneficiary (-ies) of the project have changed
- vii. in case the circumstances have changed resulting in the inability to deliver the contract / project (eg local community reactions, inability to fund, etc.).
- viii. in case of other imperative reasons of public interest such as for purposes of public health or environmental protection.
- 3. If errors or omissions are found at any stage of the award procedure, the Contracting Authority may, after the opinion of the competent body, either cancel the proceedings partially or reshape the outcome accordingly or decide to repeat the procedure from the point where the error or omission occurred.
- 4. The Contracting Authority also reserves the right, after the opinion of the competent body, to decide, in addition to the cancellation of the procurement procedure or the annulment of the Call, the repetition of any phase of the concluding procedure, as well, with or without modifying its terms or recourse to the negotiation process, provided it is in conformity with the Internal Rules and Regulations of the Contracting Authority.
- 5. Under no circumstances shall the Contracting Authority be obliged to pay to Bidders / Participants any compensation for expenses or other positive or consequential damages that may have been incurred by their participation in the proceedings.

NOTE:

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO THE SITUATION WITH THE <u>COVID-19 VIRUS</u>, ACTIVITIES FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE DRIN DAY 2020 MAY BE POSTPONED FOR LATER THAN SCHEDULED IN THE TOR, WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ALLOW ORGANIZING OF THE PUBLIC EVENTS.