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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT – MIO ECSDE

ANNOUNCES THE PRESENT CALL FOR OFFERS
For the

Development of the Drin Basin Strategic Action Program.

SUBMISSION OF OFFERS BY: December 07th, 2018 at 17:00 h Athens Time

MAX AVAILABLE BUDGET: USD 36.000 including VAT.

The 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 apart from travel costs.

Description of Service

GWP-Med is announcing the present Call for Offers for the Development of a Strategic Action Program in the framework of the GEF supported Project “Enabling transboundary cooperation and integrated water resources management in the extended Drin River Basin” (**GEF Drin Project**).

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.

Strategic Action Program (SAP)

The GEF Drin Project within its Component 2: “Building the foundation for multi-country cooperation” will develop a Strategic Action Program (SAP).

The SAP to be developed will include the list of actions and interventions to address the causes of the transboundary issues. The **GEF TDA–SAP methodology** will be used for the development of the SAP (<http://iwlearn.net/manuals/tda-sap-methodology>).

GWP-Med is seeking for an international expert or a team of international experts that will form a consortium to develop the Strategic Action Program.

Procurement procedure

The procurement will proceed having regard to:

- ✓ General principles of EU law on procurements.
- ✓ Internal Rules and Regulations of MIO-ECSDE/GWP-MED.
- ✓ The present CALL FOR OFFERS.

Offer Submission

Interested Parties should submit an offer including the following:

- **Approach and Methodology** (max 2 pages)
- **CV/CVs of the expert/s.**
- **List of implemented projects** or projects/assignments participated in.
- **Financial Offer** in a separate sealed envelope.

Deadline for submission of offers

The **deadline** for submission of offers is set to be **December 07th, 2018**.

The successful candidate will be informed within 10 working days following the submission deadline.

Qualifications and Experience

The successful Consultant must be an Individual Expert or a team of Experts that will have the following qualifications and experience:

Education

At least a Masters degree or equivalent in chemistry, hydrology, environmental sciences or economics or natural resources or social sciences or equivalent (Required). A PhD would be an asset.

Work experience:

- Minimum 10 years of professional experience in the field of transboundary water resources management (Required).
- Experience with GEF funded projects on International Waters (Required).
- Active involvement in the development of (at least 1) SAPs (Required).
- Experience in working in the Drin Basin and/or its sub-basins is desirable.

Key competencies: The Individual Expert or Group of Experts is /are required to have the following competencies and skills:

- Excellent written and spoken English (Required).

- Well-developed analytical and reporting skills confirmed by at least 1 assignment related to TDA/SAP.

Evaluation Procedure

Applications will be examined by an evaluation committee as follows:

- The Committee will examine the submitted documents received in relation to the qualifications and experience listed in the TORs. Applications which do not meet the required qualifications and experience will be excluded from further evaluation. The remaining applications will be further evaluated by the Evaluation Committee, concluding with a short list.
- The Evaluation Committee may decide to hold personal interviews with the short-listed applicants. Applicants called to an interview may be requested to submit in printed format prior to their interview all documentation supporting their declared qualifications.
- The final evaluation will be based on an analysis of the approach and methodology, the qualifications and experience. The candidate to be selected will be the one evaluated and determined as:
 - Responsive to the procedure described herein;
 - Compliant to the ToR of the post;
 - Having received the highest score out of a pre-determined set of weighted criteria (see below)

Criteria - max. 100 points:

- Approach and Methodology (max points: 20)
- Academic Qualifications/Education as indicated under the ToR section entitled "Qualifications and Experience" (max points: 10)
- Required Work Experience as indicated under the ToR section entitled "Qualifications and Experience" (max points: 60).
- Key competencies as indicated under the ToR section entitled "Qualifications and Experience" (max points: 10)

For the overall score which will determine the ranking of offers, technical evaluation will be weighted with 80%, financial offer with 20%.

The final listing of the most advantageous offers will be made on the basis of the following formula:

$$A_i = 0,8 * (B_i / B_{max}) + 0,2 * (K_{min} / K_i).$$

Where:

B_{max}: the max score received by the best of the technical offers received

B_i: the score of the technical offer

K_{min}: The cost of the financial offer with the minimum price offered.

K_i: The cost of the financial offer

The most advantageous offers is the one with the greater value of Λ .

In case of equality of overall scores, the retained proposal is the one whose corresponding technical proposal received the highest rating.

Place & Time of Offers Submission

Interested Parties shall submit their – Approach and Methodology, CV, List of implemented projects by email and **the Financial Offer in a separately sealed envelope**, on their own responsibility, either in person or through a specially authorized representative, or by sending it by registered prepaid post with delivery receipt, at the premises of GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE

Address: 12 Kyrristou str, 10556 Athens, Greece (Tel: +30-2103247267, -3247490) on the condition that offers shall reach GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE's premises by the indicated in the call submission deadline.

For any clarifications on the present call for offers please contact:

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The present call for quotations is posted on the website of GWP-Med (www.gwp-med.org).

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