

MONTENEGRO

Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism LAKE SKADAR-SHKODER INTEGRATED ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT PROJECT (LSIEMP)

Request for Expressions of Interest

Expertise on Fishery Associations in National Park Skadar Lake region

Loan No. TF091939

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Background information

The Government of Montenegro and Government of Albania have received a GEF Grant, administered by the World Bank, focusing on Strengthening Joint Cooperation for Management of the Lake Skadar-Shkoder Ecosystem. The project complies with the strategy for bilateral cooperation on Skadar-Shkoder Lake defined in the Agreement for the protection and sustainable development of the Skadar-Shkoder Lake, signed by the former Ministry of Tourism and Environment (MTE) of Montenegro (present Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism - MSDT), and by the Ministry of Environment, Forestry, and Water Administration (MEFWA) of the Republic of Albania.

Objectives of the assignment

Titled assignment has following objectives:

To describe existing Fishermen Associations (FAs) in National Park Skadar Lake region, their organization and structure and to propose measures for better inter-cooperation, as well as cooperation with relevant national stakeholders and FMOs from Republic of Albania. Also, technical and institutional capacities needs should be presented.

Scope of work of the assignment

- 1. Identifying Fishery Associations in NP Skadar Lake region, number of members, organizational structure, physical area of responsibilities, working facilities,
- 2. Present legal status of the FAs,
- 3. Describing history of establishment and work of FAs, achieved results, success stories and lessons learned.
- 4. Identifying of sources of funding and financial sustainability of the FAs,
- 5. Presenting level of cooperation between FAs and joint activities conducted,
- 6. Describing level of cooperation and coordination between FAs and relevant national stakeholders, such as NP Skadar Lake Administration, Border Police, Ministry of

- Agriculture and Rural Development, Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism, Skadar Lake Commission,
- 7. Describing level of cooperation of FAs and Fishery Management Organizations from Republic of Albania,
- 8. Presenting of involvement of FAs in bilateral and international projects and cooperation with donors.
- 9. Main issues and problems identified by FAs (illegal fishing, fishing ban period, fishing species etc.),
- 10. Preparing framework SWOT analysis of the FAs, based on the previous tasks' findings,
- 11. Analysing best practices for improvement of the roles and responsibilities of FAs in the small scale fishery system such as Skadar Lake, including possible need for FAs harmonization and mechanism of regular coordination with national stakeholders concerned,
- 12. Identifying improved and regular system of coordination and joint work with FMOs from Republic of Albania (e.g. organizing of joint patrols and illegal fishing prevention, including another relevant institutions),
- 13. Exploring the possibilities for alternative livelihoods options for fishermen, in accordance with WB OP 4.12 and LSIEMP Process Framework document,
- 14. Defining of measures for improving of institutional and technical capacities of the FAs, including needed working equipment,
- 15. Developing of 3-years FAs capacity building programme, based on results from the Task

Duration of the assignment

The assignment should be conducted in 4 months period, by individual consultant. It will require 30 person/days. Working period should cover fishing and fishing ban period.

The assignment will require series of interviews, consultations and field trips during both fishing and fishing ban seasons. Series of interviews and consultations should maintain the high level of continuous participatory approach in every stage and from the very beginning of the assignment.

Expressions of interest:

The LSIEMP Project Coordination Unit now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

Qualifications of the assignment

Consultants shall be evaluated on a basis of following requirements:

- ♣ University degree in disciplines such environmental sciences, social sciences, Environmental economics, etc. – 15 points
- ♣ Minimum 5 years' experience in fresh water fishery, preferably small-scale fishery systems 25 points
- ♣ Previous working experience in assessment of work of NGOs and civil sector and interinstitutional cooperation 25 points
- ♣ Previous experience in facilitation of workshops and public meetings 20 points
- ♣ Knowledge of Montenegrin Language would be an asset. 15 points

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the CQ procedures set out in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers* (May 2004, revised in October 2006 and May 2010).

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below, from 09:00 to 17:00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the physical or electronic to the address below by **December 26, 2011**.

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