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**TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE SERVICE OF
EXPERT IN VISIBILITY AND CITIZEN SCIENCE UNDER THE PROJECT LIFE18
NAT/IT/000103**

Grant Agreement title: LIFE MEDTURTLES

Financed under programme: **LIFE programme**

Reference no. of project: **LIFE18 NAT/IT/000103**

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Type of contract: **Temporary Service Contract**

Short description of the subject of procurement: **Expert in Visibility and Citizen Science**

Short description of the tender rules: **Vacancy notice**

Contracting Authority: **Fondazione Cetacea (FC)**

Circumstances justifying the use of the selected procedure: FC will publish a Vacancy notice (call for application) for a Temporary Service Contract for a position of Expert in Visibility and Citizen Science. In order to make the Vacancy visible on EU level the Vacancy will be published in English language on the FC website <http://fondazionecetacea.org/>. It shall be ensured that prices for similar services have been compared, that the rate is in line with the level of competence required for the position and that the selection procedure is transparent, as well as the appropriate audit trail being followed.

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

Project objectives: The aim of the project is to improve the conservation status of the EU populations of two sea turtle priority species, the loggerhead turtle *Caretta caretta** and the green turtle *Chelonia mydas**. Given that the geographical range of these two populations includes areas outside the EU, where the populations are subject to significant fishing impacts, the project recognizes that this aim can only be achieved through a Mediterranean-level approach implemented in both EU and non-EU countries. In this respect, the project aims to extend the ongoing **LIFE EUROTURTLES** (Greece, Cyprus, Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Malta) to another EU country (Spain) and to key areas such as Albania and Turkey (EU candidate countries) and Tunisia (European Neighbourhood Policy country). The project also aims to integrate results from TARTALIFE wherever appropriate, including Italy.

The specific project objectives are:

- 1) Reduce the impact of anthropogenic threats at foraging grounds, with priority to trawl and set nets in Spain, Italy, Tunisia, Turkey and Albania.
- 2) Reduce the impact of anthropogenic threats at nesting sites in Spain and Albania, in order to (i) guarantee a suitable nesting and incubation habitat for the future, including climate change effects, and (ii) allow a high production of newborns recruiting to their populations.
- 3) Set up a consistent approach for the conservation of the EU sea turtle populations, in order to optimize current and future efforts and resources in the EU.
- 4) Set up a network for sea turtle conservation among key actors in EU and relevant non-EU countries, based on common objectives and methods. This network will include the main research and conservation organizations in the countries.

5) Promote among EU and non-EU citizens the concept of shared Mediterranean Sea turtle populations and of the common heritage of natural marine resources of which sea turtles are excellent and charismatic flagship species.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

2.1 Objectives:

Objective of the work of Expert in Visibility and Citizen Science is too:

Coordinate all the visibility products of this project including the citizen Science App.

2.2 Requested services:

Expert support in the development of the following:

- Project logo
- Project templates (ppt, memorandum and CD-ROM sticker)
- 1 Project info notice board
- 1 Project general info packs(leaflet)
- 1 Layout for T-shirts and stickers for fisherman (handling of by-caught sea turtle)
- Info stickers for general public (nesting beach, collision, rescue centres, citizen science app)
- Mobile exhibition on sea turtle biology, ecology, threats and conservation, with particular regard to the Mediterranean and EU populations (14 rollup).
- Coordinate the development/integration of the App in the 2 projects (LIFE EUROTURTLES and LIFE MEDTURTLES) both in terms of language and of the common web-based platform and the resulting activity which – with a total of 10 countries involved,
- Participation in the following project activities:
 - Action E.1 Visibility, dissemination and networking
 - E1.1. Project visibility
 - E1.2. Citizen science App and Mediterranean-scale initiative

2.3 Expected deliverables:

- Information material
- Citizen Science App

2.4 Period of Intervention/Timing:

Project expert of visibility and citizen science are required for period February 2020 – November 2023. He/she will be employed on the basis of Temporary service contract of definite duration.

2.5 Place of Activities/ Logistics:

All project locations

2.6 Reference and reporting:

Expert of visibility and citizen science will report to FC project manager.

3 REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND COMPETENCES OF THE EXPERT

General professional experience:

PhD in natural sciences, 10 years of working experience

Specific professional experience:

- Experience in planning and implementation of visibility and citizen science activities
- Understanding of LIFE program objectives is advantage

- Relevant publications in the field of marine and sea turtles are advantage
- Experience as Expert of visibility and citizen science of the sea turtle projects is advantage

Additional skills and competences required:

- Excellent knowledge of English and one other EU language
- Computer literacy
- Excellent team work
- Excellent communication and presentation skills

The applications are to be submitted no later than **3 March, 2020 (18:00 CET)** by mail to informazione@fondazionecetacea.org and subsequently confirmed by registered mail and must include the candidate's references and a quote for the service.

