

TERMS OF REFERENCE (ToR)

for a Contractor to prepare a Diagnostic Analysis for Coastal and Marine Strategy for Croatia

Scope & Duration

This ToR refers to the tasks related to the preparation of the Coastal and Marine Strategy (further on: the Strategy) for Croatia. The Strategy will be a result of the ICZM process, based on the requirements of the ICZM Protocol and Marine Strategy Framework Directive.

Duration: June 2014 - December 2014

Background

Within the MedPartnership Project, PAP/RAC is leading the preparation of two National ICZM Strategies, in Algeria and Montenegro. These strategies are being prepared in accordance with the requirements of the ICZM Protocol (Art. 18) and following the Guidelines for the preparation of National ICZM Strategies, a methodological document produced within the MedPartnership project.

These national strategies are following the process proposed within the Integrative Methodological Framework for coastal, river basin and aquifer management. In order to further expand the framework of the national strategies on the marine side, following the ECAP approach and using the experience and guidelines of the EU MSFD, a new strategy has been proposed within the MedPartnership project.

Following the obligations arising from the ratification of the ICZM Protocol by the Parliament, as well as the EU legal *acquis* and Regulation establishing a framework for action in the field of marine environment protection, it has been proposed and adopted by the Croatian Ministry of Environment and Nature Protection that the additional Strategy would be prepared for Croatia. It will be an innovative and unique national strategic document for the Croatian Adriatic Region integrating both the coastal and the marine management solutions, taking into account the IWRM solutions proposed within the previously developed Water Management Strategy. The strategic document prepared will be the Croatian Coastal and Marine Strategy.

In addition, within the Climate Variability and ICZM project, PAP/RAC is preparing a methodological document on integrating climate variability and change into ICZM, and assessing the environmental and socio-economic costs of the climate variability and change for the Croatian coast. These results will also be integrated in the new Croatian Coastal and Marine Strategy. Therefore, the proposed Strategy will, for the first time, provide an integrated policy solution for the sea and the coast, taking into account climate variability and change and being harmonised with the national Water Strategy.

Nature and Objective of the Assignment

In order to develop the Strategy, the first step will be a problem analysis. It will cover the following themes: nature protection (including integrity and preservation of the coastal ecosystems), utilisation of coastal resources (including land, sea, water, agricultural land and forests), and its impact on the coastal environment, coastal economy and management mechanisms. Impacts of the climate variability and change within each of the themes will be emphasised. An Analysis guidance document, detailing structure for each of the themes will be prepared by the PAP/RAC and further reviewed by the thematic experts. Based on the problem analysis of each theme, an integrated

Diagnostic Analysis will be prepared. Its main objective will be to identify the main trends and obstacles for achieving sustainable coastal management in Croatia. Therefore, it will be the fundamental element for defining measures being the core element of the Strategy.

Key tasks

1. Review the Analysis guidance document (prepared by PAP/RAC) and add, if needed, the elements for the Analysis with regard to the ICZM Protocol requirements; for each theme, within the Analysis guidance document, provide a special reference to the Aims;
2. Prepare an Annotated Outline of the integrated Diagnostic Analysis report and thematic analysis reports;
3. Prepare the Thematic analysis report for the following themes: Management mechanisms; Climate change; and Economic effects;
4. Bring together and integrate individual Thematic analysis reports prepared by the experts into an integrated Diagnostic Analysis;
5. Participate in the project and team meetings, as well as in the presentation meetings/workshops (3 workshops in different coastal counties; up to 3 national workshops/meetings);
6. Co-ordinate the team of experts to prepare individual Thematic analysis reports for the Diagnostic Analysis.

Final Deliverables

1. Comments and specific inputs to the Analysis guidance document;
2. Annotated outline of the Diagnostic Analysis report;
3. Annotated outline of the Thematic Analysis report;
4. Thematic analysis report for the: Management mechanisms, Climate change and Economic effects;
5. Diagnostic Analysis.

The outputs will be delivered in Croatian language, with the executive summary in English.

Obligatory Meetings

1. Strategy team meetings;
2. Meetings with thematic experts.
3. Presentation meetings/workshops.

Qualifications

The contractor should have the following educational and professional qualifications:

- Senior professional level with a minimum of ten years experience in ICZM, preferably in Croatia and the Adriatic;
- Recognised degree in ICZM related disciplines, such as physical planning and alike;
- Experience in projects/activities related to the ICZM Protocol in the Adriatic region will be an advantage;

- Experience in projects/activities related to ICZM in the Mediterranean region (in particular by using the PAP/RAC methodologies) will be an advantage;
- Ability to analyse issues and information and prepare briefs and summaries on key ideas;
- Strong research skills, combined with superior communication and interpersonal skills;
- Strong skills in Croatian language, both in written and oral format;
- Strong skills in English language.

Responsibilities and communication

The Contractor will work under the direct supervision of PAP/RAC and the Croatian Ministry of Environmental and Nature Protection.

Outputs and Deadlines

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1. Deliverable 1	10 July 2014
2. Deliverable 2 and 3	30 July 2014
3. Draft Deliverable 4	15 September 2014
4. Draft Deliverable 5	1 October 2014
5. Final Deliverables 4 & 5	15 November 2014

Costs & Remuneration

For the execution of the tasks defined by this ToR, the Contractor will be remunerated by a fee of 9,500 Eur.

Travel and accommodation costs pertaining to meetings to be attended and the field work are included in the aforementioned amount.

The payments will be made on an output-delivery basis, upon submission of outputs defined in the point above, subject to clearance of the team leader and PAP/RAC, as follows:

Instalments	Payments
First instalment, upon clearance of the outputs 1 and 2	20%
Second instalment, upon clearance of the outputs 3 and 4	50%
Third instalment, upon clearance of the output 5 and finalisation of all the tasks	30%