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Project No: GEF ID 9717

Project Short Name: CP 1.2 - Mediterranean Pollution Hot Spots Investment Project

Programmatic Approach: Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme): Enhancing Environmental Security (GEF ID 9607)

Implementing Agency: UNEP

Executing Agency(ie): UNEP/MAP

Executing Partner(s): EIB (Component 1) and MED POL (Component 2)

Child Project 1.2 Workplan	2024			2025	Budget amounts / comments
Activity/Quarter	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	
Component 1: National Actions: Nutrient reduction investments in coastal hotspots					
Outcome 1: Investments in upgrading WWTPs and reusing of treated wastewater, and/or remediation of former industrial sites, and/or depollution of catchment area in Egypt, Lebanon and Tunisia are secured through strengthened capacity and increased country commitments					
Output 1.1: Preparatory studies finalized in Egypt (TBC)					
Cooperation agreement signed with Partner					Workplan for Q2/2024 to Q1/2025 will be updated by end of February 2024 based on the outcomes of discussions held during the MedProgramme Mission to Beirut, Lebanon on 30-31 January 2024; as well as based on the outcome of internal discussions, coordination and decisions within the EIB
ToR of the study agreed and validated					
Tender launch and evaluation					
Feasibility study in progress including ToRs for the works implementation, capacity building program and communications and gender action plans					
Feasibility study is finalized, reviewed, and approved by Egypt					

Output 1.2: Capacity building activities to enable the national water and sanitation companies to better operate and maintain wastewater collection and treatment systems finalized in Egypt (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period
Output 1.3: Targeted surveys and studies to enable informed decision-making and enhance the sustainability of the investments and their beneficial impacts, prepared (Egypt) (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period
Output 1.4: Public awareness raised on the benefits of proper waste water disposal in Egypt (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period
Output 1.5: Gender equality mainstreamed in the wastewater sector in Egypt (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period
Output 1.6: Preparatory studies finalized in Lebanon (TBC)					
Cooperation agreement signed with Partner					Workplan for Q2/2024 to Q1/2025 will be updated by end of February 2024 based on the outcomes of discussions to be held during the MedProgramme Mission to Cairo, Egypt on 13-14 February 2024; as well as based on the outcome of internal discussions, coordination and decisions within the EIB
ToR of the study agreed and validated					
Tender launch and evaluation					
Feasibility study in progress including ToRs for the works implementation, capacity building program and communications and gender action plans					
Feasibility study is finalized, reviewed, and approved by Lebanon					
Output 1.7: Responsibilities defined, and operation procedures developed and submitted for adoption by relevant authorities in Lebanon (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period
Output 1.8: Monitoring and evaluation capacity of MOEW and WEs improved in Lebanon (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period

Output 1.9: Lebanon Surveys and studies to enable informed decision-making and enhance the sustainability of the investment and of its beneficial impacts, prepared in Lebanon (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period
Output 1.10: Gender equality mainstreamed in the wastewater sector in Lebanon. (TBC)					
					Will not be initiated in this period
Output 1.11: Preparatory studies finalized in Tunisia					
Cooperation agreement signed with ONAS					Completed in Q4/2023
ToR of the study agreed and validated					Completed in Q4/2023
Tender launch and evaluation					None
Feasibility study starts production					TBC at signature of consultants contract
Feasibility study is approved, including ToRs for the works implementation, capacity building program and communication & gender action plan					Will not be initiated in this period
Component 2: Regional actions: Harmonization of relevant standards					
Outcome 2: Effectiveness of environmental management by the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention increased through the development of common environmental standards on desalination, aquaculture, and wastewater and sludge management.					
Output 2.1: Regional standards on wastewater management; regional and national measures to implement standards developed and submitted for deliberation of the Contracting Parties of the Barcelona Convention.					
Procure national consultants to undertake the work for identification and development of national measures on wastewater treatment					Work undertaken by MED POL

Develop national measures and incorporate into the NAPs/PoM further to the adopted regional plan on wastewater treatment and its related guidelines and standards					Work undertaken by MED POL
Share and disseminate identified national measures on wastewater treatment					Work undertaken by MED POL
Output 2.2: Regional standards on sludge management; regional and national measures to implement standards developed and submitted for deliberation of the Contracting Parties of the Barcelona Convention.					
Procure national consultants to undertake the work for identification and development of national measures on sewage sludge management					Work undertaken by MED POL
Develop national measures and incorporate into the NAPs/PoM further to the adopted regional plan on sewage sludge management and its related guidelines and standards					Work undertaken by MED POL
Share and disseminate identified national measures on sewage sludge management					Work undertaken by MED POL
Output 2.3: Regional standards on desalination; regional and national measures to implement standards developed and submitted for deliberation of the Contracting Parties of the Barcelona Convention					
Procure national consultants to evaluate the extent of implementation of the developed desalination guidelines and related regional standards					Work undertaken by MED POL
Conduct an evaluation of the extent of implementation of the developed desalination guidelines and related regional standards in two Contracting Parties and propose national measures at two CPs to support implementation					Work undertaken by MED POL
Propose adaptation of national measures in line with recommended measures in the desalination guidelines					Work undertaken by MED POL

Share and disseminate identified national measures on desalination activities					Work undertaken by MED POL
Output 2.4: Regional standards for reducing pollution from aquaculture; regional and national measures to implement standards developed and submitted for deliberation of the Contracting Parties of the Barcelona Convention.					
Procure national consultants to undertake the work for identification and development of national measures on aquaculture management					Work undertaken by MED POL
Develop national measures and incorporate into the NAPs/PoM further to the adopted regional plan on aquaculture management					Work undertaken by MED POL
Share and disseminate identified national measures on aquaculture management					Work undertaken by MED POL