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Athens, Greece, 19 and 20 June 2008

WORK PROGRAMME 2008-2009 (as approved by the 15th Meeting of the Contracting Parties)

I.4 Mediterranean Strategy for Sustainable Development

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						2008			2009		
						MTF	EC	EXT	MTF	EC	EXT
	<i>Development of National Strategies for Sustainable Development:</i>										
-CP Decisions (2005) I.A.3 -Portoroz Declaration	Assist the four countries (Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Lebanon, Tunisia) in the development of their NSSD with the financial support of the Spanish Azahar Programme	Development of NSSD by the four countries (Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Lebanon, Tunisia)	Secretariat and all MAP components	NSSDs are successfully developed in the four countries by the end of 2008 Stakeholders and civil society involved in NSSD development	SMAP UNDP GTZ AZAHAR programme	20,000	30,000		20,000	30,000	
CP Decisions (2005) I.A.3	Organize the Second Working Session on Challenges and Opportunities of NSSD Formulation	The Second Working Session on Challenges and Opportunities of NSSD is successfully organized in 2008, leading to conclusions on best procedures and problems to be avoided, as well as synergies for implementation.	Secretariat	2nd working group organized in 2008 – conclusions and recommendations on challenges in NSSD development and implementation	AZAHAR Programme	20,000					

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Articles 17, 18 and 26 of the Convention Draft decision UNEP(DEPI)/MED WG.320/9	Regional Workshop on the preparation and implementation of the NSSDs and follow up of MSSD implementation (end 2008-beg. 2009)		Secretariat	Regional workshop organized in 2008/2009 –conclusions on NSSD development and implementation and overall progress with implementation of MSSD	AZAHAR Programme	10,000				20,000	40,000
	<i>Increased visibility and awareness:</i>										
-Portoroz Declaration-CP Decisions (2005) I.A.3I.A.6II.E	Organize targeted information/ communication* activities with relevance to different interest groups:	Targeted I&C activities are designed and implemented addressing at least two specific target groups during the biennium	Coordinating Unit, MCSD/ Information	Greater awareness and visibility of the MCSD and MSSD Participation of and interaction with target groups / stakeholders.	IC Strategy EU SDN	35,000					
	<i>Synergies with other sustainable development related initiatives:</i>										
- MDGs - JPOI - CP Decisions - Portoroz Declaration - Horizon 2020	Assessment of sub-regional initiatives and opportunities for synergy	Convergence with sub-regional initiatives through bilateral cooperation activities	Secretariat	Quick survey of sub-regional and thematic activities by end 2008. Establishment of contacts with priority/ relevant ones so as to streamline work with MSSD	CEDARE CIHEAM REC LAS	5,000					

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	<i>MCSD and Steering Committee meetings:</i>										
-CP Decisions 2005	Meetings of the Mediterranean Commission on Sustainable Development (MCSD)-one per Biennium	Meetings of the MCSD successfully organized, leading to conclusions and recommendations to the Contracting Parties	Secretariat	At least 2 coordination meetings per year between the EU SDN and MSSD implementation mechanisms					45,000		50,000 *
-CP Decisions 2005	Meetings of the Steering Committee of the Mediterranean Commission on Sustainable Development (one per year)	Meetings of the Steering Committee of the MCSD successfully organized, leading to conclusions and preparation for the MCSD meeting	Secretariat	Implementation of additional 2020 Initiatives through the MSSD implementation process		20,000		10,000	20,000		10,000

* Financial support expected from Host Country (at least two-thirds of MCSD meeting cost from EU and one-third from other countries).