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To whom it may concern

Invitation to the Matchmaking event under the Environment, Energy and Climate Change Programme (PL-CLIMATE) supported by the EEA Grants 2014-2021

The National Fund for Environment Protection and Water Management is hosting a webinar on Matchmaking in the Programme Area Energy on Thursday 25 June 2020 from 10:30 to 13:00 CET (8:30 to 11:00 Icelandic) If necessary, the time will be extended.

The aim of the meeting

The aim of the event is to facilitate contact and collaboration between entities from the Donor States (Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway) and Beneficiary State (Poland) that could lead to drafting and submitting partnership projects.

Under the PL-CLIMATE Programme there are five open calls launched related to the Programme Area Energy:

- ❖ Improved energy efficiency in school buildings
- ❖ Development of high-efficiency industrial and professional cogeneration
- ❖ Construction/modernization of municipal heating systems and elimination of individual heat sources
- ❖ Geothermal energy production
- ❖ Increasing the efficiency of energy generation in existing small hydropower plants (up to 2MW)

In case of each of the above-mentioned calls, projects can be realized in a partnership. While only various entities registered in Poland can submit application and request financing, all entities from the Donor States can take part in projects as project partners.

Moreover, an application submitted in the partnership with an entity (or entities) from the Donor State(s) shall receive extra points during assessment.

Therefore, the webinar will be of interest to potential applicants from Poland (local government units as well as their unions, SMEs and large enterprises) as well as any public or private entity, commercial or non-commercial, as well as non-governmental organizations established as a legal person in the Donor States willing to cooperate as a project partner.

Draft agenda

Please find below a draft agenda:

10.30-10.40 Opening remarks – the representative of the Ministry of Climate, Poland and the representative of the National Fund for Environment Protection and Water Management

10.40-11.00 Introduction to the programme and calls – the representative of the National Fund for Environment Protection and Water Management

11.00-11.10 Financial Instrument – the representative of the NFEP&WM

11.10-11.20 The role of the Donor Programme Partners in facilitating partnerships - the representative of the Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate and National Energy Authority of Iceland

11.20-13.00 Presentation of entities interested in establishing a partnership project - entities from Poland, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway. The meeting organizer will inform who will be the next speaker from his location.

A short time will be allowed for questions and answers after each presentation. To ask a question participants must raise hand in Zoom or send question in chat.

The webinar will be conducted in English and will be moderated by a representative of the National Fund for Environment Protection and Water Management.

Practical info

Entities interested in taking part are kindly requested to register on this website: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_f7slzU5RShGVyjOHP3m-GQ

While registering you will be requested to select area(s) of interest related to the above-mentioned calls. **This information will be published on the NFEP&WM website as a database of potential partners beforehand in order to facilitate finding a potential partner that matches your area(s) of interest.** Therefore, you will be also asked for a consent to the processing of data for the purpose of matchmaking.

After registration, you will receive a confirmation email with a link to join the session.

The webinar will be held in English only.

Entities willing to be presented during a matchmaking webinar as a potential project promoters or potential project partners are kindly requested to send their presentations (not longer than 5 minutes) to: marta.bulawa@nfosigw.gov.pl not later than on Tuesday 23 June 2020. Please include contact details in your presentation so that interested entities will be able to contact you.

This event will be held online using Zoom, available via application to be installed or via website.

At the time of the webinar, click the join link in the confirmation email.

Once the organizer arrives the Webinar will begin.

Please note that webinar attendees enter in listen-only mode and can only be unmuted by an organizer.

Any queries related to the event shall be sent to: witold.retke@nfosigw.gov.pl cc: marta.bulawa@nfosigw.gov.pl.

Follow-up

All presentations and database of potential partners will be shared after the event at the websites of the both Ministry of Climate and the NFEP&WM:

<http://www.nfosigw.gov.pl/en/eea-grants/>

<http://www.nfosigw.gov.pl/oferta-finansowania/srodki-norweskie/instytucje-zainteresowane-partnerstwem/>

<https://www.gov.pl/web/climate/programme-environment-energy-and-climate-change>

Therefore, after the webinar you will be able to contact entities that seem to be of an interest to your organization. Moreover, even those who have not attended the webinar will be able to contact you using the contact data provided in the presentation published on the website.

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