

CORRIGENDUM No. 1

Terms of Reference: Engagement of Experts for Conducting LNOB Social Mapping and Evidence-Based Policymaking

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This Corrigendum is published **to clarify the institutional and contractual arrangements** applicable to the selection and engagement of experts under the above-mentioned Terms of Reference.

It **does not amend** the eligibility or evaluation criteria, financial ceiling, scope of work, qualifications, deliverables, implementation timetable or other substantive conditions contained in the published Terms of Reference.

Network of Associations of Local Authorities of South-East Europe – NALAS shall act as the Contracting Authority and shall conclude the Service Contract with the selected Expert.

ZELS shall remain responsible for the overall coordination and programme and technical follow-up of the assignment, including coordination with the Expert and the respective municipalities, monitoring the implementation of the activities, and reviewing and confirming the deliverables and reports, in accordance with the Terms of Reference and the applicable arrangements between NALAS and ZELS. ZELS will also participate in the evaluation process and may participate in communication and negotiations with shortlisted candidates. The final selection and contractual arrangements shall be confirmed by NALAS, and the Service Contract with the selected Expert shall be concluded by NALAS.

1. Section 13 – Terms and Payment

The provision referring to ZELS as the contracting and paying entity **is hereby corrected.**

The corrected provision shall read as follows:

„The Service Contract with the selected Expert will be concluded directly between the Network of Associations of Local Authorities of South-East Europe (NALAS) and the selected Expert. NALAS will be responsible for the contractual, administrative and financial administration of the Service Contract and will make the contractual payments to the Expert in accordance with the provisions of the Service Contract.”

2. Section 6.2 – Taxes

The provision stating that the applicable tax will be calculated, deducted and paid by ZELS **is hereby corrected.**

The corrected provision shall read as follows:

„Any applicable tax deductions, withholding obligations and other mandatory statutory obligations arising in connection with the engagement and payment of the Expert will be administered by NALAS, to the extent required by the applicable legislation and in accordance with the provisions of the Service Contract.

Other provisions

All other provisions of the published Terms of Reference, including the eligibility requirements, evaluation criteria and methodology, scope of work, deliverables, financial ceiling, deadline and other conditions, remain unchanged.

Applications submitted before the publication of this Corrigendum remain valid and do not need to be resubmitted.

This Corrigendum forms an integral part of the Terms of Reference and shall be read together with the originally published document. In the event of any inconsistency concerning the contracting entity, payment arrangements or administration of applicable tax obligations, the provisions of this Corrigendum shall prevail.