Clarification Note # 1

Request for Proposal (RFP) No. UKR/01/2020 - Provision of Services on Ecological Restoration of the Iahorlyk River in Odessa region, Ukraine

In accordance with issued RFP No. UKR/01/2020 - Provision of Services on Ecological Restoration of the Iahorlyk River in Odessa region, Ukraine, the OSCE would like to provide the following clarifications to the RFP Documents:

**Question 1:** Whether the draft procedure of SEA and EIA has passed?

**Answer 1:** The project is now in the final stage of the Environmental Impact Assessment procedure, we expect a conclusion by the end of November 2020.

**Question 2:** Whether the measures for ecological restoration of the river have been approved by the Water Resources Agency?

**Answer 2:** Yes, because the project team from the very beginning implemented a pilot project in close cooperation with the water management organizations under State Water Resources Agency of Ukraine: namely with the Basin Water Management of the Black Sea and the Lower Danube in Odessa region and the Dniester Basin Water Management in Ivano-Frankivsk region. Measures for ecological restoration of the Iahorlyk River have been repeatedly presented and discussed with the representatives of the State Water Resources Agency of Ukraine, and within the next month the working draft will be submitted for official approval to the State Water Resources Agency of Ukraine. At the start of work, the Contractor will be provided with a fully agreed and approved working draft.

**Question 3:** Whether there is a positive response of the comprehensive examination to the working project?

**Answer 3:** Preliminary consultations have already taken place and all measures have been agreed informally, as soon as the conclusion of the EIA is received, the working draft will be immediately officially submitted for the examination. At the start of work, the Contractor will be provided with a fully agreed and approved working draft.

Sincerely,

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