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Improving human-bear coexistence in 4 National Parks of South Europe

F1.2 Agreement on adoption of Green Public Procurement criteria by public Associated Beneficiaries



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Agreement on adoption of Green Public Procurement criteria

The following Associated Beneficiaries who are considered "Public Bodies", according to the LIFE regulation, namely: (1) the University of Thessaly, (2) the University of Western Macedonia, and (3) the Maiella National Park,

Agree

To include clear and verifiable environmental criteria for products and services in the public procurement process not only during the project implementation period, but after its end too.

In both Greece and Italy (the countries where the LIFE ARCPROM project is implemented) there are National Action Plans for green procurements. The project partners are committed to developing activities with the least possible impact on natural resources, thus green economy procedures will be applied whenever possible.

In specific, the undersigned Associated Beneficiaries of the LIFE ARCPROM project, commit themselves to apply and to monitor the implementation of the following minimum Green Public Procurement criteria and rules:

- Catering services will guarantee use of reusable tableware and offer vegetarian/gluten free options. Whenever possible, we will favour local products (farm-to-fork approach) with organic labels (nationally certified in accordance with EU Regulation 2092/91).
- Paper and materials: EU Eco-labelled paper from 100% recovered paper fibres or at least 75% recovered paper fibres for regular copies; gadgets (e.g., cotton bags, pen drives, water bottles) will be made of recycled or organically produced materials. We will use rechargeable batteries as much as possible.
- Travels: whenever possible, tele conference calls will be used for networking and coordination; the use of public transport means will be preferred, or sharing a vehicle as well, whenever possible. All partners will minimize their carbon footprint as they implement project actions. Remote meetings will be preferred, although we value the experience gained in physically meeting partners and visiting project sites. Physical coordination meetings will maximise the time partners share in the same location, dealing with different tasks in an organised manner, and concentrating their stay, to avoid multiple trips.
- Selection procedures for services will always include requirements for low-impact practices.

The above agreement is cosigned by the legal representatives of the following public bodies:

University of Thessaly

Charalambos Billinis
Rector
30/10/2024



Name / Title / Date

University of Western Macedonia

Theodoros Theodoulidis
Rector
04/11/2024

Name / Title / Date

Maiella National Park

Lucio ZAZZARA
President of the Maiella National
Park
25/10/2024



