Call for tender: Scoping study on opportunities around environment, health and chemicals in Poland

Date: 23 October 2023
Deadline for applications: 3 November 2023
Project timeframe: November-December 2023

About HEAL
The Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL) is the leading not-for-profit organisation addressing how the environment affects human health in the European Union (EU) and beyond. HEAL works to shape laws and policies that promote planetary and human health and protect those most affected by pollution, and raise awareness on the benefits of environmental action for health. Our alliance brings together over 90 member organisations, representing health professionals, not-for-profit health insurers, doctors, nurses, cancer and asthma groups, citizens, women's groups, youth groups, environmental NGOs, scientists and public health institutes. Members include international and Europe-wide organisations, as well as national and local groups. Please visit our website for more information: www.env-health.org.

Project
Exposure to hazardous chemicals is a major risk factor for people’s health across the European Union. A 2017 Eurobarometer survey highlights that around two in three people in the EU are concerned about being exposed to hazardous chemicals in their daily life. In Poland, 58% of people expressed concern on chemicals, which is slightly lower than the EU average (65%).

This scoping study, commissioned by the HEAL Secretariat, will investigate the opportunities on raising awareness on hazardous chemicals, as well as on the development and implementation of policy measures in Poland.

The research will include developing a scoping plan and survey to:

- Analyse the political landscape on chemicals management and the key players (national, regional, local level)
- Analyse the media landscape and selected coverage at the national and local level, and identify key challenges and opportunities for health messages relating to tackling chemicals pollution
- Identify the institutional, scientific, local and civil society actors working on the health impacts of chemical pollution, assess weaknesses and strengths, level of awareness and interest
• Identify opportunities for increased engagement with health actors on the health impacts of chemical pollution and to build partnerships and effect change

**Deliverables**

• Detailed scoping plan and survey (expert interviews), to be submitted by 12 November and discussed in a meeting with HEAL
• Draft scoping report and final survey/interview questions to be submitted by 19 November
• Carry out online survey and stakeholder interviews from 23 November – 17 December
• Analysis of survey results and final scoping report to be submitted by 31 December 2023.

The outputs of this project will be an internal document and will feed into HEAL’s planning.

**Selection criteria**

We are looking for someone with the following specifications:

• At least 2 years of prior work experience in drafting analysis and summaries related to the environment or public health, preferably combined
• A degree in Environmental Studies, Public Health, Political Science, Social Science, Development Study, Humanities or any other relevant discipline to the subject matter
• A good understanding of chemical pollution issues and their health impacts
• A good understanding of the Polish political and scientific landscape
• Native Polish speaker or equivalent level
• Excellent English writing skills
• Excellent organisational and time management skills
• Ability to work remotely and autonomously

HEAL will only consider offers from candidates who work exclusively within the non-profit sector to avoid potential conflicts of interest with clients representing commercial interests.

**Submissions**

To respond to this opportunity, please send your offer in English to Stefan Grand-Meyer, Director of Operations, email: stefan@env-health.org, in an email with the subject heading: “Tender – Scoping study Poland”. Please make sure to

• Specify how you meet the selection criteria and declare any conflicts of interest that you might have
• Provide an outline of how you would ensure good communication and close working with HEAL throughout the project, and
• Provide a total price for you to deliver the project, including VAT if applicable.