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Dear Mr Nushi,

Further to our discussions during my recent visits to you, I herewith send you my thoughts for our intended mutual cooperation in the framework of the recently started ECLO supported "Further Support to Land Use" project. We discussed how we could work together in the rural spatial planning component of this project. Such would combine your institute's and my project's efforts to improve the little attention normally given to the rural aspects of municipal planning. The recently issued draft FSLU Inception Report gives more details in this respect. It was noted that the ISP is quite occupied currently with three large scale projects, and has limited time.

All propositions below are subject of approval by ECLO. This is not a formality. Furthermore, I am sure you know that the project cannot hire ISP staff or give them financial allowances.

I propose the following.

- The ISP and the FSLU will work as **equal partners** in the spatial planning and environmental component of the project. In that condition, we will prepare a format for the rural part of the Municipal Development Plan, further to be referred to as Rural Land Management Plan (RLMP), including Environmental Action Plan (EAP). In the context of the project's visibility and exposure, **this equal partnership will be highlighted.**
- The project comprises the preparation of **one RLMP/EAP in the main municipality and deliver assistance to 6 co-pilot municipalities**, as well as to the possible local consultancy firms they hire for this work.
- FSLU will make available for the project the work force (International and Kosovar) as indicated in the Inception Report. Most important is **80 days of highly specialized foreign GIS** knowledge, and ca **420 days of Kosovar GIS knowledge**. The Kosovar GIS expert(s) could be accommodated in the FSLU office or in the ISP, or alternately.
- Assistance by the GIS experts of ISP to the project would be necessary and highly appreciated.
- The project will propose to ECLO **advanced trainings of 1 to 3 weeks duration** for two to three experienced GIS experts of the ISP abroad. Not more, since such a training should include an expert of MAFRD as well, and funds are limited
- All GIS experts of ISP will benefit of the **regular trainings in GIS** by the international; GIS expert, both group trainings as well as one-to-one in-service trainings.
- Due to the variety of experts who will visit the project, we could arrange occasional **technical workshops or assistance** as relevant in the framework of the ISP on-going projects and on ad-hoc basis.



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- The participation on project expenses of a senior officer ISP for the **Symposium on Land Management** in Hannover 2010 will be proposed to ECLO.
- FSLU will include in its agenda to pursue with the MESP that the ISP can only maintain and further develop its innovating role in planning within the Government, if the ISP is allowed to **engage in contracts for innovation projects**. For this purpose, ISP needs to be allowed to engage experienced temporary (non-civil servant) staff against competitive salaries.
- Staff participating in the project will be the first to be considered for interesting elements of the work (a.o. study trips) which materialize in the course of the project. However, no promises can be made yet in this context right now.
- New GIS licenses

I would proposed to discuss this letter within short, inclusive any additional wishes from your side and possible further assistance to ISP and ISP-staff from our side.

I trust we will reach a satisfactory agreement for both. Bringing back in memory the cooperation between ISP and ALUP (predecessor of FSLU), I am convinced that such an agreement could be interesting to both sides.

With my best regards,

Rutger Kuiper
Team leader FSLU



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