



Project PrespaNet Project III: Biodiversity Conservation in Transboundary Prespa

Terms of Reference

Expertise:

Bat expert

Tasks:

Update of existing Transboundary Conservation Action Plan for Bats in Prespa

Duration of the engagement: November 2024 – January 2025

Place of Assignment:

Prespa, North Macedonia

Number of days that should be reported by the expert allocated on delivering final outputs:

14

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

MES is involved in implementation of the project for the conservation of Prespa Region covering the wider cross-border Prespa area through common actions raised by PrespaNet partners¹. The project is financed through Prespa Child Nature Trust Fund (PONT) grant scheme as well as Jensen Foundation.

Overarching project objective is to strengthen the conservation and sustainable management of Prespa, with a special focus on its protected areas, through collaborative endeavours, active engagement, information dissemination, and ecological restoration, fostering cooperation among transboundary stakeholders and authorities. MES engages in perpetual transboundary communication and collaboration, writing international stakeholders and using PrespaNet's own success story as a guiding beacon. Leveraging its expertise in ecological education, MES aspires to create pathways for volunteers and

¹ PrespaNet platform was established in 2017 by the following organisations - Society for the protection of Prespa, the Macedonian Ecological Society and PrespaNet and PrespaNet and PrespaNet of Natural Environment in Albania