



## SELECTION PROCESS FOR SHORT-TERM EXPERTS

### Assignment for harmonization of Operational Guidelines on Illicit Waste Trafficking prevention and investigation

The **EU-funded project RUNNER**, "dRoneUnit Network agaiNst Environmental cRimes ", financed by the European Anti-Fraud Office, OLAF and awarded to SAFE Foundation, aims at promoting and encouraging the exchange of information between local and national Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs). The project seeks to scale-up investigative methodologies against environmental offenders and developing solid networks between LEAs. The project will leverage the DronEUnit network and the EU-funded project OPFA-WASTE to create operational synergies and a high-level platform for practitioners.

SAFE Foundation is in charge with the implementation of a three-day workshop, to be held in December 2021, and the drafting of Operational Guidelines on good practices for integration of drones to support IWT prevention and investigation activities.

In this context, a team of experts guided by a scientific coordinator will be selected and entrusted with the creation of Operational Guidelines. The guidelines will build on available documents (i.e. Early Warning Checklist on IWT developed by the EU-funded project TECUM and well as internal procedures of national authorities in various EU Member States) integrated with real-life experiences shared by participants to the December Workshop.

The short-term assignment will require each expert to be hired by SAFE Foundation under the RUNNER Project as an independent consultant (no conflict of interest should exist with own employer) for a limited number of days per month, over the time frame of approximately 3 months, starting from mid-October. (Please see Annex I for further details)

### ANNEX I

#### Technical requirements

- Previous professional working experience of at least 5 years in the field of environmental crime and/or at least 10 years of professional or academic collaborations in the sector
- Proven knowledge of environmental crime, Illicit Waste Trafficking, and police investigations in the field of environmental crime
- Bachelor's and/or master's degree or professional equivalent in relevant subjects

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- English proficiency required

### **Desirable requirements**

- Expertise in using drone technologies
- Proven knowledge of new technologies applied to environmental crime investigations
- Research and scientific publications in relevant subjects
- Post-graduate thesis on topics related to environmental crimes' investigations is an advantage

### **Expected tasks**

- Assessment of existing documents, data and best practices on the spreading of unmanned vehicles in local polices for monitoring and counteracting environmental crimes
- Draft and harmonize the Operational Guidelines on the integration of unmanned technologies as innovative investigative tool for join national and local fight against IWT under the direction of a scientific coordinator
- Presentation of the final draft of the Operational Guidelines at the technical meeting (held during the three-day workshop in December)
- Assessment of participants' feedback received during the live discussion, to be held at the technical meeting

### **Time Frame**

From Mid-October until the end of December

### **Expected Salary**

to be agreed based on experts' seniority

Should you potentially be interested in this position, do not hesitate to send your CV to [runner@safe-europe.eu](mailto:runner@safe-europe.eu).

**Deadline for applications is Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021.**

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