### UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

## ANNEX I – Description of the Action



## **PROJECT DOCUMENT**

#### <u>Cyprus</u>

Project Title: EU Support Facility to the Technical Committees - Phase II

Project Number: Proposal/Project ID:00143938 Output ID:00131857

Implementing Partner: UNDP

Estimated Start Date: 01/01/2023 Estimated End Date: 31/12/2024 PAC Meeting Date: 08-09/12/2022

# **Brief Description**

In March 2008 the Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot leaders established seven Technical Committees to work on confidence-building measures aimed not only at improving the everyday life of Cypriots, but also at encouraging and facilitating greater interaction between the two communities. In 2015, as a new round of negotiations started, new Technical Committees were established bringing the total number to eleven. The Technical Committees operate as mechanisms created with the purpose of developing confidence building measures that can improve the atmosphere of the peace talks and demonstrate that the two communities can work together on issues of common concern.

The overall goal of this Facility is to support the work of the Technical Committees, established by the two leaders in the context of the talks, to improve the everyday lives of Cypriots, through encouraging and facilitating greater interaction and understanding between the two communities. This effort will seek to enable cooperation and to build confidence with a view to contributing to a future reunification of the island. In consultation with relevant stakeholders, including the UN presence in Cyprus, this facility contributes to this aim through the provision of capacity-building and project-enabling support to the Technical Committees.

The EU Support Facility to the Technical Committees is a key EU funding instrument to facilitate the interaction and build trust between the Greek Cypriot and the Turkish Cypriot communities. The Facility benefits people across Cyprus as it supports projects and initiatives on areas such as health, environment, education and culture.

One of the key priorities of the Facility is enabling, strengthening and promoting participation of the communities, private sector and civil society to optimize results and impact, thus enhancing the effectiveness of the EU funding.

## **Expected Output(s):**

Output 1: Support mechanism for the Technical Committees enhanced, to improve idea generation, development of project proposals and preparation of workplans;

Output 2: Implementation of the Technical Committees' activities supported, through strengthening collaborations with local communities and civil society;

Output 3: Visibility maximized & awareness raised about the work of the Technical Committees and the EU support to their initiatives.

The duration of the programme period will be 24 months.

Contributing Outcome (UNSDCF, CPD, RPD):

Outcome 1: Peacebuilding and reconciliation processes improved through the strengthening of inter-communal partnerships

Indicative Output(s) with gender marker:

Output 1: Support mechanism for the Technical Committees enhanced, to improve idea generation, development of project proposals and preparation of workplans - Gender Marker 2

Output 2: Implementation of the Technical Committees' activities supported, through strengthening colloborations with local communities and civil society. - Gender Marker 2

Output 3: Maximise visibility & raise awareness about the work of the Technical Committees and the EU support to their initiatives. – Gender Marker 2

Total resources required:	1 million Euro	
Total resources		
allocated:	UNDP TRAC:	0
	Donor -	1 million
	European	Euro
	Union:	
	Government:	0
	In-Kind:	0
Unfunded:		0

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