

FORM

**for the preparation of projects within the Small Projects Fund
of the Interreg NEXT Poland-Ukraine Program 2021-2027**

Priority. ENVIRONMENT	
Specific objective	Promoting the transition to a circular and resource efficient economy
Information about the institution which is seeking for a partner	
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Profile of the partner institution you are looking for	
Legal status	☐ Units of state, regional and local administration, associations of these units and institutions subordinate to them; ☐ Other public law entities (e.g., chambers, government administration bodies); ☐ Utility companies; ☐ Local environmental institutions;

	☐ Housing associations, condominiums and associations of co-owners of multi-apartment buildings. ☒ <u>Schools, vocational education and training (VET) institutions, units of higher education and research institutions;</u> ☐ Non-governmental organisations. ☐ Other (please specify).....
Project proposal description	
Description of the project idea	The project aims to conserve and restore the biodiversity and natural landscapes of the Demianiv Laz tract, a valuable natural and cultural area. Key activities include ecological rehabilitation of the site, with a particular focus on cleaning and improving the area surrounding the Saint Mary spring, as well as developing an ecological trail to ensure sustainable access and environmental monitoring of the territory. A significant component of the project is the preservation of local ecosystems and habitats through practical conservation measures and responsible landscape management. In parallel, the project will implement educational and awareness-raising activities for school and university students, introducing them to the flora, fauna, and landscape diversity of Demianiv Laz. Through a combination of field-based environmental actions and educational initiatives, the project seeks to strengthen ecological awareness, promote responsible interaction with natural heritage, and support the long-term sustainability of the Demianiv Laz landscape. In order to ensure a cross-border dimension of the project, the Polish partner institution will focus its research and field

	activities on a comparable natural site within the Polish border region. This site should represent a similar type of ecosystem, such as a spring-based landscape or a small protected natural area. Comparative studies between the Demianiv Laz tract in Ukraine and the selected Polish site will allow for joint analysis of ecological conditions, biodiversity status, and landscape management practices. This comparative approach will support the development of shared methodologies for environmental monitoring and conservation of small natural ecosystems in the border region.
Expected role of the partner institution	The partner institution is expected to actively participate in the joint implementation of the project as an equal cross-border partner. Its role will include joint planning, coordination, and execution of project activities aimed at the conservation and sustainable development of natural landscapes in the Polish-Ukrainian border region. The partner will contribute scientific, educational, and organizational expertise in the fields of environmental protection, biodiversity monitoring, and environmental education. The institution will co-organize and implement joint field activities, including ecological workshops, student field schools, and environmental monitoring activities involving both Polish and Ukrainian students and academic staff. It will also support the creation of joint educational and awareness-raising materials. In addition, the partner institution will assist in disseminating project results within academic, local community, and environmental networks in Poland.

STATEMENT

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