

## FORM

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

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| <b>Priority. ENVIRONMENT</b>                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Specific objective</b>                                               | <b>Promoting the transition to a circular and resource efficient economy</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Information about the institution which is seeking for a partner</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Name of institution                                                     | Zalishchyky City Council                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Country                                                                 | Ukraine                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Legal status                                                            | Legal Entity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| <b>Profile of the partner institution you are looking for</b>           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Legal status                                                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Units of state, regional and local administration, associations of these units and institutions subordinate to them;<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other public law entities (e.g., chambers, government administration bodies);<br><input type="checkbox"/> Utility companies;<br><input type="checkbox"/> Local environmental institutions; |

- ☐ Housing associations, condominiums and associations of co-owners of multi-apartment buildings.
- ☐ Schools, vocational education and training (VET) institutions, units of higher education and research institutions;
- ☐ Non-governmental organisations.
- ☐ Other (please specify).....

### Project proposal description

Description of the project idea

The project aims to establish a complete wastewater management cycle in a small community—from treatment to collection—and to change residents' behavior through a combination of infrastructure solutions, digital tools, and environmental education.

Currently, the Zalizhchyky community is in the final stages of a large-scale infrastructure project under the Interreg NEXT 2021-2027 Program (Environment strand). The key outcomes of this initiative include the construction of modern wastewater treatment facilities in Zalizhchyky, the development of a joint cross-border environmental strategy, and the strengthening of the community's capacity through a series of professional training sessions and international knowledge exchange.

The construction of the wastewater treatment plant was a fundamental step toward the region's environmental safety; however, for the system to function fully, a critical link is missing—effective logistics for the collection and delivery of wastewater.

As a continuation of this initiative, we propose a project aimed at “closing the loop” of waste management. While the previous phase focused on treatment, this project focuses on safe collection and transportation, as well as on changing residents' behavioral habits.

This is achieved through the following interconnected components:

#### **1. Technical modernization and infrastructure solutions (“Hard” component)**

To ensure the stable operation of the new treatment facilities, we plan to purchase a specialized vacuum truck.

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p><b>2. Environmental education and changing consumer culture (“Soft” component)</b></p> <p>Conducting a comprehensive information campaign and a series of workshops for residents and local businesses (particularly in the recreational sector).</p> <p><b>3. Interactive map of decentralized wastewater management on the water utility’s website. Features:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• display of households / zones</li> <li>• planning of septic tank service routes</li> <li>• ability to submit a request online</li> </ul> <p><b>4. Cross-border exchange and joint sustainable development strategy</b></p> <p>Organization of a final forum with partners to present a successful case study of complete waste recycling in a small community.</p> |
| Expected role of the partner institution                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | We are looking for a partner who is interested in improving the quality of shared water resources and is willing to implement reciprocal measures (purchasing monitoring or treatment equipment) and share their experience in the digitalization of public utilities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p><b>✓ STATEMENT</b></p> <p>I declare that I have provided my personal data voluntarily and that I have read the information clause below before giving my consent.</p> <p>I consent to the processing of my personal data for the purpose of searching for partners for the preparation of projects under the Interreg Poland-Ukraine Program 2021-2027.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |