





## **GEF Med Programme Child Project 3.1.**

"Management Support and Expansion of Marine Protected Areas in Libya"

Expression of Interest for Libyan Civil Society Organizations to participate in the setting and implementation of management plans and governance schemes for marine protected areas in Libya.

## I. Background

Child Project 3.1 is focusing on "Management Support and Expansion of Marine Protected Areas in Libya" and constitutes Component 3 of the MedProgramme: Protecting Marine Biodiversity. It aims in addressing the capacity barriers that hinder the sustainability and effectiveness of the Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) network in Libya, through the establishment of MPA management support mechanisms. The project is implemented by the UN Environment Programme and executed by the UN Environment/MAP with support from the Centre for Mediterranean Cooperation of IUCN, WWF, and SPA/RAC. It has three components: 1) Improving Governance and Management Support of existing and potential MPAs in Libya, 2) Participation and Institutional strengthening of national and local stakeholders, and 3) Awareness-raising and Communication

