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**LETTER OF SUPPORT**

In reference to your proposed project titled *Wetlands Tourism Environmental Management* (WATERMAN) for the call: Specific objective 3.1 *“To enhance the development of a sustainable and responsible coastal and maritime tourism in the MED area”* from Priority Axis 3 *“ENVIRONMENT: Protecting and promoting Mediterranean natural and cultural resources”*.

Herewith I would like to confirm that we are willing to support your application for the WATERMAN proposal. As regional tourist agency, with competence to promote tourism activities in the surroundings of the Mar Menor lagoon, we see this as a wholly beneficial project to link to our interests in the development of capacities to enhance sustainable tourism activities and to promote the area in the international level. The proposed approach with cooperation and sharing of knowledge and technologies with other Mediterranean countries and Ramsar site managers is a relevant strategy to improve the sustainability of tourism activities.

Therefore, we confirm our involvement as a final beneficiary / active stakeholder and a potential end-user of project results.

Consejería de Desarrollo Económico, Turismo y Empleo welcomes the opportunity to participate in stakeholder meetings, or training activities, be able to test and evaluate some of the final project tools, guidelines and methodologies.

Yours sincerely,



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