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**Ref.: Project application “Floating islands as biodiversity pit stops and pollution cut outs towards more resilient cities” (“BioFloat”)**

Dear Mr Juris Aigars,

The Joint Secretariat received the Request for Changes No 1 to project “BioFloat“, submitted by the lead partner on 20 October 2024. The request relates to the following changes:

**Change of pilot area within Cesis municipality**. Floating island Latvia: Cesis with camera to be moved from Lake Araisi as initially planned to Cesis Castle Park Pond. Both pilot areas are still within the same municipality located approx. 12 km apart from each other.

Due to that we request also following budget changes, which would result of increase of the total budget of PP5 and LP1 and decrease of the total budget of PP7:

* EUR 9300 to be moved from PP7 budget, sub-cost category” Communication and outreach” (description – Costs for creation of a 3Dmodel of the bio-floating island of Lake Araisi) to PP5 for staff costs (and consequently office and administration, travel and accommodation costs) in order to create visual project of floating island in new pilot area – Cesis Castle Park Pond. Budget will be shared among position accordingly: 7440 EUR – staff costs, 1116 EUR - office and administration costs, 744 -travel and accommodation costs.
* EUR 700 to be moved from PP7 budget, sub-cost category” Communication and outreach” (description – Costs for creation of a 3Dmodel of the bio-floating island of Lake Araisi) to sub-cost category "Participation in events" with following description - participation fee in conferences and public events. We are aiming to use this budget for conversation festival LAMPA – tent/stage rental – taking place near to Cesis Castle Park Pond.

The new total budgets of LP1, PP5 and PP7 are requested to be as follows:

LP1 LIAE 360,000.00 EUR

PP5 ALPS 37,300.00 EUR

PP7 CNP 61,000.00 EUR

**The Joint Secretariat has reviewed the request and approves the abovementioned changes.**

**Please make sure that respective changes are inserted in the project application form in the JEMS.**

The Managing Authority of the Estonia-Latvia programme will contact you regarding corresponding subsidy contract amendments.

Sincerely,

/signed digitally/

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