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## EMBARK ON A REGIONAL OPEN DATA CHALLENGE 2024!

ReSPA and UNDP Serbia Call Individuals, Civil Society Organisation, Companies & Academia

in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia to Develop Mobile or Web Applications Using the Power of Open & Public Data and Win Valuable Awards!



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Join a unique initiative that recognises, awards and promotes the innovative reuse of open data for a greener, more inclusive, and digital future!

Regional Open Data Challenge 2024 (RODC 2024) aims to encourage collaboration between the government, CSOs, academia, and the private sector in delivering data-driven innovation that improves public services, empowers citizens or boosts economic activities.

Calling all innovators to develop groundbreaking mobile or web applications – whether it is a solution or just a brilliant idea – harnessing the power of open datasets published by public sector bodies across ReSPA Members: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia, and win valuable awards:



#### CHALLENGE 1

**Mobility and Transportation Data:** Create a solution or suggest an idea that can be utilised to develop smart and sustainable transportation models.

It can be more efficient travel patterns, identification of areas with alternative modes of transport such as public transport – cycling or walking, real-time information on workable routes in ReSPA Members (or on waiting time at border crossings), identification of electric-vehicle charging stations, bicycle or car-sharing schemes, or green freight initiatives.

#### CHALLENGE 2

**Workforce mobility:** Create a solution or suggest an idea for a "digital skills passport" that helps young individuals make well-informed career decisions by showcasing a detailed profile of their skills, experiences, and achievements. Include a feature that offers real-time insights into labour market data, highlighting the demand for specific skills, emerging industries, and current job trends.

The ultimate goal is to bridge the gap between youth and employers and empower youth by developing solutions that will provide real-time information for informed career decisions (by facilitating skill development, job matching, and career advancement, including real-time information on temporary employment in the region and the EU, "work and travel schemes" or internships).

#### င်္ခြွင် CHALLENGE 3

**Tourism Atlas:** Design a smart travel planner that allows travellers to enjoy a personalised and enriched travel experience by choosing current events at the destination per their interest. Use machine learning algorithms to propose personalised itineraries based on data and user feedback, encouraging the local community to join and share their insights.

It can be a solution or an idea that provides information on accommodation, transportation, and activities or implement a safety feature that provides real-time updates on local safety conditions and emergency contact information (including an SOS button for immediate assistance). Additionally, the solution can encourage local communities and travellers to actively share information or contribute to promoting sustainable tourism practices.

### CHALLENGE 4

**Demographic trends:** Create a solution or suggest an idea that provides valuable insights into the reasons for migration and its impact on population distribution, and assess the social and economic implications of demographic trends (by offering insights into population dynamics, migration patterns, and other demographic factors that can assist policymakers, researchers, and the public understand and respond to evolving demographic landscapes).

The solution/idea can aggregate and visualise crucial demographic indicators such as population size, age distribution, birth rates, mortality rates, and migration patterns or include a migration tracker that visually represents the movement of people within the region and beyond.

#### NOTE:

- The condition for participation is that at least one set of open data from open data portals<sup>1</sup> of ReSPA Members administrations is used, or one set of open data from website of any public administration institution of ReSPA Members administrations (in case where that dataset is not available on the national open data portal);
- Solutions must be developed under an open licence (GPL, Creative Commons or similar), publicly available and currently or potentially replicable in other environments (s), i.e local, entity or state level;
- Throughout the challenge, while developing ideas, participants will have mentorship and access to various data sources and the opportunity to present the solutions to credible assessors for review and examination.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Open data portals in the ReSPA administrations are on the following links:

https://opendata.gov.al • https://ddp.iddeea.gov.ba • https://data.gov.me • https://www.otvorenipodatoci.gov.mk • https://data.gov.rs/sr/datasets/



#### **EVALUATION PROCESS**

Upon receiving the applications, UNDP Serbia will check their eligibility. An internal jury will evaluate each application or idea using the selection criteria.



If you have any questions, please get in touch with us up to three working days before the closing date for submitting proposals at the email datachallenge.rs@undp.org