**Bátor Tábor GO! Czech Republic**

**Research**

***NGO’s organizing programs for children with serious illness and their families***

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In 2015 the Bátor Tábor Foundation joined the traditions of the Serious Fun Children’s Network and we started up our “outreach” program under the name **GO!.** With **GO!** the camp can be at any place in a flash: at the ambulance of a hospital, in the play room, at the beds or in the yard, at another time outdoor or at a public place – and not only in Hungary, Slovakia and Poland, but in Czech Republic, as well.

The objective of the program is to provide the therapeutic recreation to children having serious or chronical illness and their family in Czech Republic. By this program, we can take the Bátor Tábor community atmosphere, our games, the free joy, laughs also to those children, whom we cannot receive in the camp in Hungary. The therapeutic recreation **GO!** family programs will be organised with the help of volunteers speaking Czech language.

**WHY IS A RESEARCH NEEDED**

In each case, we organize the GO! programs in co-operation with partner organizations. In case of our program in Czech Republic, that can mean children’s hospitals and/or civil organizations/NGOs having a mission being similar to that of Bátor Tábor. For this purpose, in the frame of a comprehensive research we would like to **identify those foundations/NGOs, which could be our partners in this project.**

**OBJECTIVE OF THE RESEARCH**

As a result of the research we would like to see those foundations/NGOs operating in Prague and other big Czech cities, which organize camp, hospital or other, mainly family programs for the seriously, chronically ill children and their family members. As far as we know, children treated in connection with an oncological illness are supported by several foundations, and for that reason we might rather focus on the other illness groups (diabetes, JIA, IBD, hemophilia etc.). They could be foundations/NGOs operating in a relation with hospitals or entirely independently from them, or any such organization, which carries out the above mentioned activities. Our objective is to see clearly the following:

***In case of the foundations/NGOs being in connection with the children hospitals:***

* What kind of organizations supports the work of the children hospitals?
* Which of them is organizing regular or ad hoc programs for the children treated in the hospital and for their family members?
* What type of programs is organized by these organizations?
* How frequently do they organize programs?
* With how many volunteers per year/program do these organizations work with? Do they hold trainings for the volunteers?
* Could the given organization be a competitor or a co-operation partner for us?

***In case of other organizations:***

* Which other organizations organize programs for the seriously or chronically ill children and their family members?
* What type of program is organized by these organizations?
* With how many volunteers per year/program do these organizations work with? Do they hold trainings for the volunteers?
* Which are those organizations, that are worth to enter into a relation with the hope of a probable co-operation, because they are countrywide considered as a genuine, effectively operating and recognized organizations?
* What is the opinion of the other civil organizations about these successful organizations?
* Which other organizations do they cooperate with?
* Which are those organizations that play specifically a showcase role and with which a fellowship should not be undertaken? What kind of civil scandals happened within the scope of the related organizations and due to which the joint appearance with certain organizations should be avoided?
* Which organizations can represent a competitor for us?

**WHAT KIND OF DECISION WILL BE BASED ON THE RESEARCH**

Based on the results of the research we will contact those organizations, with which we can develop a co-operation either in the field of volunteer recruitment or in the field of program organization. We would like to contact such civil organizations, which - similarly to Bátor Tábor - are transparent, reputable, effective organizations operating fairly.

**RESEARCH METHODS**

Internet research, probably personal contacting (by phone)

**EXPECTED FORMAT OF THE RESEACH RESULTS**

We expect to receive the research results in an excel table and a 3 to 5 pages report. Referring to the excel table, we will provide a template.

**DUE DATE**

31st May, 2019.