





Information on water related calls and alignment of funding



EUSDR PA4 24th SG meeting
Joint PA4-PA5 event
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LIFE programme





The <u>new LIFE programme 2021-2027</u> has a budget of €5.4 billion and is divided into four sub-programmes:

- Nature and biodiversity
- Circular economy and quality of life
- •Climate change mitigation and adaptation
- •Clean energy transition More detailed information on the LIFE programme is available on the <u>LIFE Website</u>.

LIFE 2022 Calls for proposals just closed in November 2022

The <u>LIFE National Contact Points</u> can guide applicants. Also, the LIFE Units in DG Environment and CINEA can offer advice on project concepts. Please write to <u>CINEA LIFE-ENQUIRIES@ec.europa.eu</u>

For the LIFE Call for Proposals 2022

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROGRAMME



In the policy objectives 2021-2027 for the water projects the Greener, carbon free Europe objective is most relevant.

Partnership minimum requirements:

3 financing partners from 3 DRP countries

- number of countries to be involved ensuring broad territorial impact in DR
- ▶ number of PPs ensuring thematic and territorial relevance and competence in a coherent mix and balanced way
- ▶ integration of non-EU countries utmost importance!!!
- "INTERREG funds" = equal participation of non-EU partners
- ▶ no differentiation of PPs by ERDF, IPA and NDICI funds •Lead Partner can be from any DRP country



DRP 1st Call

Major novelties in DRP 2021-2027:

- ► EU contribution to projects is 80%
- ▶ Use of Interreg funds (ERDF, IPA and NDICI funds are pooled together in a single pot)
- ► Lead Partners can be both from EU and non-EU countries (exception: Ukrainian organisations can participate in the 1st call for proposals only as project partners)

Call deadline: 21 November 2022

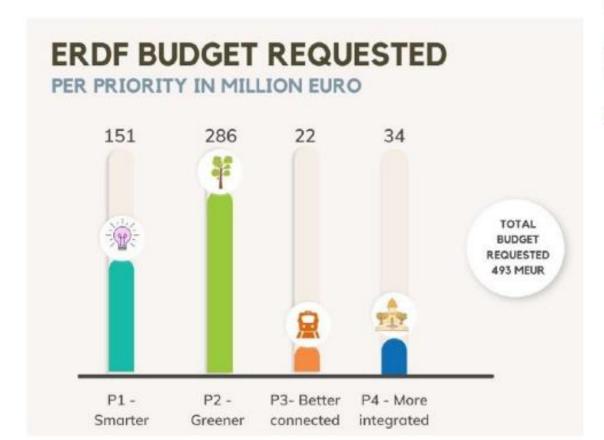
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GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROGRAMME



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Last open call closed on 23rd February 2022, second call for standard projects planned in March 2023.



Altogether, 256 project proposals passed the formal checks. 143 project proposals passed the relevance filter. Final decision is expected in December 2022.

Total programme budget for projects to support transnational cooperation projects with around 224 million Euros.

Eligible partners (territorial and institutional eligibility criteria);

- National, regional and local public bodies
- Private institutions, including private companies
- International organisations under national law and, with restrictions, under international law
- Minimum partnership requirements:
- At least 3 partners from 3 countries

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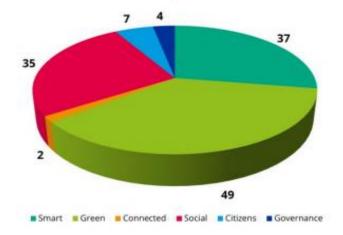
The programme is to support projects in five thematic EU priorities and one nonthematic issue on better governance:

- Smart
- ▶ Green
- Connected
- Social
- Citizens
- Governance

6 TOPICS

The first call was open from 5 April to 31 May 2022 and 134 proposals were received. €1,432,730.5 was the average ERDF budget per project proposal.

Project proposals submitted in each topic in the first call:



The average total budget per project is 1-2 MEUR:

- ▶ EU member state partners receive up to 80% of project activities;
- Private non-profit organisations can receive 70% of their cost refunded.

The second call will open from 15 March to 9 June 2023.

https://www.interregeurope.eu/apply-for-the-call

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Find the EUSDR including also the PA4 embedding documents at: https://danube-region.eu/projects-and-funding/embedding-2021-2027

Please note that water issues are not included in the selected 5 strategic topics: Shortlisted strategic topics from PAs that are not represented in the TOP 5 overview can be included in a workshop at the request of the PA.

Thank you for your attention!