



LIFE Programme 2021 – 2027

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Programme for the Environment & Climate Action (LIFE)

- Dedicated to Environment & Climate Action
- >5400 projects
- Contribution > €6 bil. for environmental & climate targets



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What is happening around us...



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Why choose LIFE;

- Catalytic role
- Suitable instrument
- Successful since 1992
- Wide range of applicants



Topics cover areas of ...

Circular Economy

Bauhaus

Natura 2000 Network

Urban greening

Conservation of species

Resource Efficiency

Chemicals

Air, Water, Soil

Biodiversity

Protection of Habitats

Urban Mobility

Topics cover areas of ...

Energy Efficiency

Greenhouse gas emissions

Resilience

Energy Investments

Climate Change mitigation

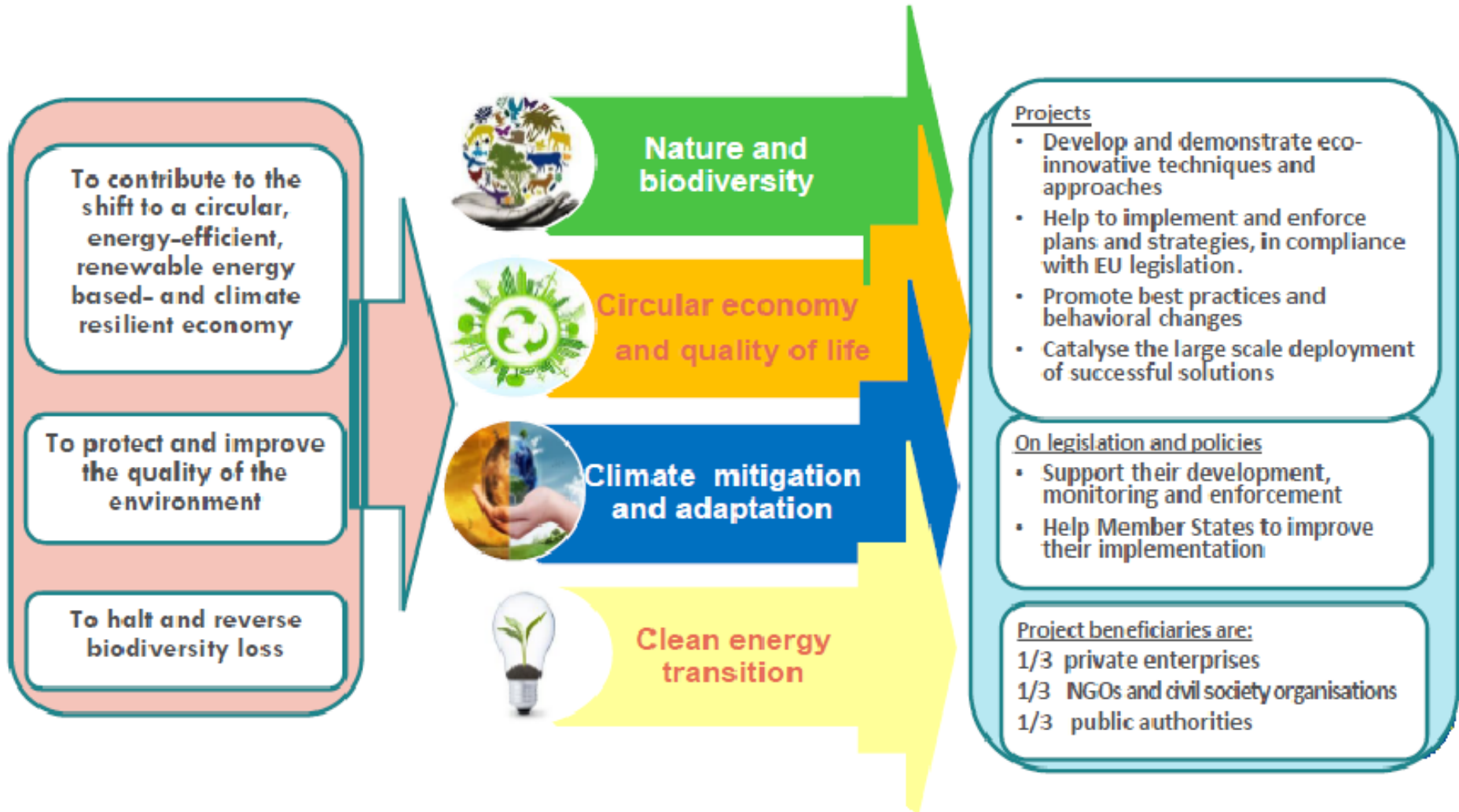
Climate Change Adaptation

Renewable Energy Sources

Extreme weather phenomena



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Sub-programme:	Contribution to:
Nature & Biodiversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Halting & reversing biodiversity loss - Supporting N2K & PAFs - Mainstreaming nature & biodiversity into other policies & financial frameworks
Circular Economy & Quality of Life	Circular & green economy, air, noise, chemicals, industrial accidents, marine & coastal management, soil, waste, water, urban environment
Climate Mitigation & Adaptation	Transformation of EU into a climate neutral and -resilient society
Clean Energy Transition	Creating market & regulatory enabling conditions for the energy transition

Types of Activities funded

GRANTS	OTHER FORMS OF FUNDING
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action Grants<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ <u>Standard action projects (SAPs)</u>❖ Strategic Nature Projects (SNAPs)❖ Strategic Integrated Projects (SIPs)❖ Technical Assistance (TA)❖ Other Actions (OA) – including Coordination & Support Actions (CSAs)• Operating Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Procurement• Prizes• Blending

Standard Action Projects (SAPs)

“Traditional” LIFE projects aimed to:

- develop, demonstrate and promote innovative techniques, methods and approaches;
- contribute to the knowledge base and to the application of best practice;
- support the development, implementation, monitoring and enforcement of the relevant Union legislation and policy, including by improving governance at all levels, in particular through enhancing capacities of public and private actors and the involvement of civil society;
- catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful technical and policy related solutions for implementing the relevant Union legislation and policy by replicating results, integrating related objectives into other policies and into public and private sector practices, mobilising investment and improving access to finance

Co-financing rate of 60% maximum

- Except 67% when targeting both priority & non-priority habitats and/or species
- Except 75% when targeting exclusively priority habitats and/or species

- Maximum 10 years duration

Strategic Nature Projects (SNAPs)

Focusing on the implementation of:

- The PAFs pursuant to the Habitats Directive
- Other plans or strategies adopted at international, national, regional or multiregional level by nature and biodiversity authorities

Co-financing rate of 60% maximum

Maximum 14 years duration

Strategic Integrated Projects (SIPs)

Circular Economy & Quality of Life:

- National or Regional Circular Economy Action Plans, Strategies, Roadmaps or similar
- Waste: National and regional Waste Management Plans (WMPs)
- Water: River basin management plans (RBMPs)
- Air: Air quality plans pursuant to the Ambient Air Quality Directive or National Air Pollution Control Programmes (NAPCP)

Co-financing rate of 60% maximum

Maximum 14 years duration

Strategic Integrated Projects (SIPs)

Climate Mitigation & Adaptation:

- National Energy and Climate Plans (NECP, Regulation on the governance of the energy union and climate action (EU)2018/1999).
- National Energy Efficiency Action Plans' (NEEAP).
- National or regional adaptation strategies or action plans.
- Urban or community-based action plans pioneering the transition to climate neutral and/or climate resilient society.
- National, regional or industry-/sector-specific greenhouse gas mitigation strategies or economy roadmaps contributing to climate neutrality.

Co-financing rate of 60% maximum

Maximum 14 years duration



Operating Grants for NGOs

Two-step Application procedure:

Awarding of operating grants will be based on the following:

- Framework partnership agreement (FPA) – successful applicants sign a long-term agreement (3 years, 2022-2024)
- Specific grant agreement (SGA) only organizations that sign a FPA can be considered for SGA

Co-financing rate of 70% maximum

Maximum 1 year duration for SGA

Technical Assistance Projects (TA)

- TA – PP → support to the preparation of SNAPs & SIPs
Co-financing rate of max 60% and €70,000
- TA – CAP → capacity building of MS authorities with low effective participation
Co-financing rate of max 95%, 1 project/ MS for 2021 – 2024

Maximum 5 years duration for all TA projects

Other Action Grants (OA)

- Coordination and Support Actions for the transition to renewable energy and increased energy efficiency
- A Small Grant Facility on Biodiversity (BEST); small grants (max €100,000, 100% EU funding) in the Outermost Regions and the Overseas Countries and Territories for biodiversity.
- Action Grants benefitting the organizations mentioned in Annex I of the LIFE Regulation.
- Co-financing rate of 95% except Small Grant Facility on Biodiversity (100% EU funding)

Other Action Grants - Coordination and Support Actions

- CSAs are the standard type of grant for the CET Sub-Programme
- Breaking market barriers to the Clean Energy Transition through capacity building, dissemination of information and knowledge, awareness raising
- Policy-driven, prescriptive call topics
 - a tightly pre-defined scope of the proposal
 - engagement of multiple stakeholders and large transnational consortia
 - EU-widely validated results feeding into EU policy making
- Co-financing rate of 95% maximum
- Usual duration of projects between 18 – 36 months
- No infrastructure costs, mainly labor costs

Timeline & Deadlines



17 May 2022

Read the **call for project proposals** and start preparing a full project proposal

March 2023 (ind.)

You will get news from the LIFE programme! If your project proposal is selected for funding, the European Commission will start preparing **your grant agreement**

JUNE 2023

You sign your grant agreement and start your project!

4 October 2022 (CET Nov)

Submit **your full project proposal** to the European Commission



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Submission

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GRANTS TENDERS

Submission status

Forthcoming Open for submission (25) Closed (8)

Programming period

2021 - 2027 (33)

Funding and tenders (33)

Grant	Multilevel climate and energy dialogue to deliver the energy governance		
<i>Open for submission</i>			
Programme	Programme for Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	Deadline model	single-stage
ID	LIFE-2021-CET-GOV	Opening date	13 July 2021
Types of action	LIFE Project Grants	Deadline date	12 January 2022 17:00:00 Brussels time

Grant	EU community of "Integrated Home Renovation Services" practitioners		
<i>Open for submission</i>			
Programme	Programme for Environment and Climate Action (LIFE)	Deadline model	single-stage
ID	LIFE-2021-CET-HOMERECOM	Opening date	13 July 2021
Types of action	LIFE Project Grants	Deadline date	12 January 2022 17:00:00 Brussels time

Awarding Criteria

1. Relevance
2. Impact
3. Quality
4. Resources
5. Bonuses!



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LIFE Green Grapes

www.lifegreengrapes.eu/



“New approaches for protection in a modern sustainable viticulture: from nursery to harvesting”

Ref: LIFE16 ENV/IT/000566

01/07/2017 - 31/12/2021

The main objective of LIFE GREEN GRAPES is to improve the anti-parasitic response of vineyards through the use of innovative natural products and to increase the biodiversity associated with vineyards.

THEMES: Eco-products design, Chemicals

TARGET EU LEGISLATION "Closing the loop - An EU action plan for the Circular Economy"
& Biocidal Products Regulation



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LIFE Plants for Plants



“Boost conventional agricultures confidence: new organic biostimulants to reduce water, nutrients and pesticide demand” www.vaniperen.com/plants-for-plants/

Ref: LIFE18 ENV/NL/000043

01/07/2019 - 31/05/2022

The LIFE Plants for Plants project aims to introduce new organic biostimulants into conventional agriculture, by producing three prototypes of a new group of biostimulants focusing on water, phosphorus and fungicide efficiency, to tackle the related environmental threats.

THEMES: Eco-products design, Agriculture – Forestry, Pollutants reduction

TARGET EU LEGISLATION: “Directive 2000/60 - Framework for Community action in the field of water policy” & “Thematic Strategy for Soil Protection”

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Communication Channels





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