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New Opportunities

Call Title:	KYOTO WORLD WATER GRAND PRIZE
Programme:	Japan Water Forum (JWF)
Objective:	Japan Water Forum (JWF) serves as a contact point for exchange and cooperation among water stakeholders in Japan and abroad, such as UN agencies, international organizations, development banks, governments, private companies, researchers, and NGOs. Based on this network, JWF promotes an understanding of the fundamental impact of water on everyone's lives, leading to decisive action to address the water issues on the planet for a world where everyone enjoys the lasting benefits and values of safe water.
Eligible Activities:	The Kyoto World Water Grand Prize was created to honour a distinguished organization involved in grass-roots activities related to solving water problems in developing countries. It also aims to improve the quality of grass-roots activities and make the importance of such activities known throughout the world. Actions must take place in a developing country.
Eligible Applicants:	Applicants must meet all of the following criteria: Non-profit, non-governmental, and locally led organizations based in a developing country; Organizations whose activities are non-sectarian in nature and conducted independently; Initiatives that demonstrate clear local ownership and are not primarily financed or controlled by external entities from developing countries.
Total Budget:	€100,000
Deadline:	12/06/2026
More information and official documents:	https://www.waterforum.jp/en/what-we-do/kyoto-prize/

Call Title:	Accelerate the Future of Sustainable Food
Programme:	Norrskan Foundation
Objective:	The global startup competition is inviting early-stage ventures working to transform food systems through scalable technology solutions to compete for a pitch spot at Norrskan Impact Week in Barcelona on 14–15 October 2026.
Eligible Activities:	The competition is focused on regenerative agriculture inputs, agtech solutions, supply chain infrastructure and intelligence, sustainable ingredients and healthy food innovation, and distribution and access solutions. They are looking for startups with scalable technology that can contribute to healthy, sustainable, and just food systems. Winning startups will receive a pitch opportunity at Norrskan Impact Week in Barcelona, tailored introductions to investors and ecosystem networks from Katapult and Norrskan, strategic coaching from experts in venture building from Accenture, pitch training and feedback before arriving in Barcelona, and travel and accommodation support for the event. The competition does not provide any direct cash funding.
Eligible Applicants:	The program is open to startups from around the world that are committed to transforming the food system through scalable business models. Eligible applicants should generally be at Seed to Series A stage, although pre-seed startups with demonstrated traction may also apply. Ventures should show

	product-market fit, validated or adaptable technology, customer interest or partnerships, clear funding needs, and founders with relevant experience and full-time commitment.
Total Budget:	€Not available
Deadline:	15/06/2026
More information and official documents:	https://globalcall.tech/

Call Title:	Freedom250 Workforce Development and Skills-Building Program (Côte d'Ivoire)
Programme:	U.S. Mission to Cote d Ivoire
Objective:	The U.S. Embassy Abidjan's Public Diplomacy Section is inviting proposals for a workforce development and skills-building program designed to strengthen employability, English proficiency, technology training, and innovation opportunities for young people in Côte d'Ivoire.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The program focuses on workforce development, employability skills, English-language learning, artificial intelligence, coding, entrepreneurship, technology skills, innovation partnerships, economic opportunity, engagement with U.S. institutions and experts, commercial ties, youth empowerment, and activities aligned with the Freedom 250 celebration of the 250th anniversary of the United States.</p> <p>The initiative will be implemented through the network of American Spaces in Côte d'Ivoire and will target university students, educators, and early-career professionals between the ages of 17 and 40. Activities are expected to take place in key cities including Abidjan, Yamoussoukro, Bouaké, and Korhogo. The project seeks to create a pipeline of skilled and English-capable Ivoirian youth who can contribute to U.S. trade, investment, and innovation partnerships while also supporting economic stability in the country.</p> <p>Through practical training opportunities, participants will gain market-relevant skills in areas such as artificial intelligence, coding, and entrepreneurship. The program also aims to increase participant engagement with U.S. institutions, private sector partners, and experts. Organizers intend for the initiative to highlight American leadership, innovation, and commitment to freedom as part of the Freedom 250 yearlong celebration.</p> <p>The funding opportunity falls under the Education category. Applicants may request awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$19,000, with project durations expected to run between 12 and 18 months. The opportunity does not support projects related to partisan political activity, charitable or humanitarian services, construction, religious activities, fundraising campaigns, lobbying, scientific research, commercial projects, institutional growth activities, duplicate projects, or illegal activities.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible applicants include U.S. or foreign not-for-profit organizations, educational institutions, and individuals. For-profit entities are not eligible to apply, although organizations may subcontract with other entities provided that a non-profit, non-governmental organization serves as the prime recipient.

Total Budget:	€100,000
Deadline:	15/06/2026
More information and official documents:	https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/362232

Call Title:	STRENGTHENING GRANTS FROM AMPLIFYCHANGE
Programme:	AMPLIFYCHANGE
Objective:	The purpose of this Strengthening Grant call is to fund small to medium civil society organisations, support their advocacy work, and strengthen them so they can bring about positive change in one of the AmplifyChange priority themes or an intersection or combination of themes: Abortion, Violence, Youth, Stigma, and Access.
Eligible Activities:	Applications must respond to one or more of our outcome areas in our Theory of Change: Increasing individual awareness of SRHR as human rights; Improving access to SRHR resources, information & services; Transforming social norms; Changing policies & laws; and Building stronger, more inclusive movements for SRHR. Within the priority themes, AmplifyChange supports cross-cutting themes that impact on SRHR and well-being and respond to challenges that advocates identify as their priorities for action. They are happy to receive applications from organisations who wish to integrate these issues into their proposals: Climate Justice, Pleasure and Mental health. Actions must take place in selected countries in Sub-Saharan Africa and/or South Asia.
Eligible Applicants:	Your organisation must be registered and implementing a project in one of the AmplifyChange eligible countries. You must be a small to medium sized organisation with an average annual expenditure over the past two years between GBP 150,000 and GBP 350,000 per year. For example, if your expenditure in 2021 was GBP 350,000 GBP, and in 2022 it was GBP 400,000, the average would be GBP 375,000 – this would mean you would not be eligible to apply.
Total Budget:	£1,000,000
Deadline:	16/06/2026
More information and official documents:	https://amplifychange.org/grant-model/strengthening/

Call Title:	Entries open for K-Startup Grand Challenge Programme
Programme:	Ministry of SMEs and Startups
Objective:	The Ministry of SMEs and Startups is inviting applications for K-Startup Grand Challenge programme to support global startups in entering, establishing, and expanding their operations in the Korean market.
Eligible Activities:	The focus areas include mechanical and materials engineering, electrical and electronics, information and communication technologies, chemical and textile industries, bio and medical and life sciences, energy and resources, craft and design, software development, artificial intelligence, cybersecurity,



	<p>semiconductors, renewable energy, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, and advanced manufacturing processes.</p> <p>The programme is designed to support innovative startups seeking to enter the Korean market and scale their operations globally. It provides structured assistance for market entry, business establishment, and growth within Korea's innovation ecosystem.</p> <p>Selected participants benefit from support including Demo Day participation, investment attraction opportunities, visa acquisition assistance, company incorporation support, and provision of office space. The programme also facilitates startups in building connections with the local ecosystem and accessing growth opportunities.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	<p>The initiative targets startups that are ready for market entry, have a minimum viable product, demonstrate traction or validated technology, and are capable of operating quickly in a new environment. It is open to pre-startups or startups established within seven years of incorporation, or up to ten years for new industry sectors.</p> <p>Applicants must also meet nationality requirements, where the representative or all representatives of the startup must not be Korean nationals.</p>
Total Budget: €Not available	
Deadline: 17/06/2026	
More information and official documents:	https://ksgc.global/

Call Title:	Breakthrough T1D Career Development Award for Researchers
Programme: Breakthrough T1D	
Objective:	The Breakthrough T1D Career Development Award is offering applications to support early-career researchers working to advance innovative type 1 diabetes research and strengthen translational connections between laboratory discoveries and clinical applications.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The award focuses on research areas aligned with the Breakthrough T1D mission goals and research strategy, including basic and clinical type 1 diabetes research, translational science, bench-to-bedside applications, and psychosocial and behavioral health research.</p> <p>The program encourages researchers to establish themselves in areas that contribute directly to advancements in type 1 diabetes research. Although there is a strong interest in fostering careers in clinical investigation, applications centered on either basic or clinical research topics are accepted.</p> <p>Funding of up to USD 200,000 per year is available, including indirect costs capped at 10% of subtotal direct costs. The funding may support research expenses such as personnel, supplies, equipment, technician support, and travel expenses up to USD 2,000 annually. Awards are renewable annually based on satisfactory progress for a maximum duration of five years.</p>

Eligible Applicants:	<p>Eligible applicants must hold an MD, DMD, DVM, DO, PsyD, PhD, or an equivalent degree and must have a faculty-level academic appointment, including assistant professor or equivalent, at the time of proposal submission. Applicants must have received their first faculty-level appointment less than three years before the submission deadline.</p> <p>The opportunity is open to researchers affiliated with domestic and international nonprofit and for-profit organizations, public and private universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of state and local governments, and eligible federal agencies.</p>
Total Budget:	\$400,000 per project
Deadline:	02/07/2026
More information and official documents:	https://www.breakthrough1d.org/explore-research/funding-opportunities/

Call Title:	European Energy Communities Facility Call to Support Energy Communities
Programme:	European Energy Communities Facility
Objective:	The European Energy Communities Facility has launched its second call for proposals to support emerging energy communities across Europe with financial and capacity-building assistance to help develop strong and investment-ready business plans.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The programme focuses on supporting energy communities through financial support, capacity building, visibility enhancement, access to national legal framework information, access to best practices, and knowledge about funding opportunities. The initiative is designed to strengthen community energy projects and improve their readiness for investment through structured guidance and peer learning.</p> <p>The ENERCOM Facility will support at least 140 communities across the 27 European Union countries as well as Iceland, Moldova, North Macedonia, and Ukraine. Selected beneficiaries will receive a lump-sum grant of EUR 45,000 to develop a business plan for their energy community project. In addition to financial support, beneficiaries are required to participate in a mandatory capacity-building programme that includes self-paced online learning modules, live webinars, and national peer-to-peer exchanges.</p> <p>The capacity-building programme aims to help communities improve project maturity and investment readiness. Training modules cover topics such as the fundamentals of community energy, project scoping, governance, business plan analysis, and implementation strategy. Through webinars and peer exchanges, participants can learn from experienced energy communities and share practical experiences and challenges.</p> <p>Funding provided through the Facility is intended specifically for activities linked to the development of business plans for energy community projects. Eligible activities include technical and financial assessments, feasibility studies, obtaining permits, legal agreements, and other preparatory work required to create a sound and bankable business plan. Communities may develop the business plan internally or seek support from external experts.</p>

Eligible Applicants:	To apply, organisations must meet the eligibility criteria established by the ENERCOM Facility. Applicants must be formally organised legal entities such as cooperatives, associations, limited companies, or similar organisations. Proof of legal entity status must be provided through official documentation such as association registry extracts, statutes with official stamps, or registration documents from an energy regulator.
Total Budget:	€100,000
Deadline:	05/07/2026
More information and official documents:	https://energycommunitiesfacility.eu/apply/applicationprocess

Call Title:	PROMOTING AN ENABLING CIVIC SPACE
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - CERV
Objective:	Projects should establish or enhance systematic and comprehensive monitoring systems to regularly assess the environment in which CSOs operate at national level. These should build on and align as closely as possible with existing frameworks—such as the indicators developed by the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights and data from international organisations—as well as national monitoring systems, to ensure comparability and consistency.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Such proposals can cover in particular the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • focus on breaches of fundamental rights affecting CSOs and human rights defenders, including the right to freedom of association. • capture emerging issues such as digital threats and transnational repression within the EU. • improve data collection, analysis and reporting, enabling the early identification of risks, including SLAPPs. • Support timely, coordinated and evidence-based responses to civic space threats by relevant actors. • strengthen the resilience of civil society actors, including through capacity-building on digital and cyber-security. • strengthening capacity of CSOs to communicate effectively around their activities and to build effective, visible and impactful advocacy activities. • improve access to information on available protection mechanisms, for instance through platforms or tools centralising support services. <p>Actions must take place in EU member states.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligibility is limited to legal entities (public or private bodies).
Total Budget:	€16,500,000
Deadline:	15/09/2026
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/CERV-2026-CHAR-LITI-CIVIC

Call Title:		RAISING AWARENESS OF AND BUILDING CAPACITY FOR THE EU CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS
Programme: European Commission (EC) - CERV		
Objective:	The Charter strategy underlines the importance of strengthening the application of the Charter through awareness raising and capacity building initiatives. Accordingly, projects under this priority are intended to raise the fundamental rights knowledge of relevant actors. While building on the central role of civil society organisations and human rights defenders, funded projects could involve national, regional and local authorities as partners (co-applicants), with the aim of supporting joint capacity building and awareness raising efforts.	
Eligible Activities:	The projects funded under this priority should address the capacity building and awareness raising needs on the Charter. In particular, relevant projects should focus on raising awareness and building capacity on at least one of the following topics: the Charter in general and/or the contents of an individual Charter right or several of the fundamental rights enshrined in the Charter; the Charter's scope of application; the remedies available in cases of breaches of the Charter rights. In accordance with its Article 51, the Charter is applicable to Member States only when they are implementing EU law. Given the specific scope of application of this instrument, unlike that of international human rights agreements, and considering the increasing number of references to the Charter in the case law of the Court of Justice of the EU, there is a specific need to promote an understanding of when the Charter applies, i.e. when EU law is being implemented, and of the fundamental rights enshrined in the Charter. Actions must take place in EU member states.	
Eligible Applicants:	Eligibility is limited to legal entities (public or private bodies).	
Total Budget: €9,500,000		
Deadline: 15/09/2026		
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/CERV-2026-CHAR-LITI-CHARTER	

Call Title:		CROWDING IN PRIVATE FINANCE
Programme: European Commission (EC) - LIFE		
Objective:	Proposals should present the concrete results which will be delivered by the activities and demonstrate how these results will contribute to the topic-specific impacts. This demonstration should rely on a solid analysis of the current situation, realistic assumptions and baselines, and establish clear causality links between activities, results and impacts.	
Eligible Activities:	In terms of qualitative impact, proposals under this topic should demonstrate how they will contribute to the following outcomes, as relevant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • delivering financing schemes that are operational and ready to finance investments, with credible access to financing sources and a prospective pipeline of investments 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increasing the investibility of energy efficiency projects (potentially combined with renewable energy and energy storage) for private financing sources • accelerating investments in energy efficiency. <p>Actions must take place in EU member states plus associated countries. Proposals must be submitted by at least 3 applicants (beneficiaries; not affiliated entities) from 3 different eligible countries.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible are legal entities (public or private bodies).
Total Budget: €6,000,000	
Deadline: 16/09/2026	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-CET-PRIVAFIN

Call Title:	PROJECT DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FOR SUSTAINABLE ENERGY INVESTMENTS
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - LIFE
Objective:	Project Development Assistance (PDA) will support project promoters in preparing and launching investment pipelines of sustainable energy projects. The call topic aims to build technical, economic and legal expertise of project promoters needed for the successful project development and implementation. Projects shall demonstrate their added value and lead to the launch of tangible sustainable energy investments within the project duration.
Eligible Activities:	<p>Proposals for PDA projects can be submitted by public or private project promoters such as public authorities or their groupings, public/private infrastructure operators and bodies, energy agencies, energy service companies, retail chains, large property owners, services or industry.</p> <p>Proposals should demonstrate a clear showcase dimension in delivering replicable solutions for accelerating sustainable energy investments across Europe, as regards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the organisational innovation for the mobilisation of the investment programme such as setting up project development units or establishing efficient procurement procedures for large-scale bundling and pooling of (mixed) assets. The geographical focus can be at district, city or a wider level; and/or • financial engineering with a particular focus on leveraging enhanced levels of private investment and improved combination of existing funds. This could include Energy Performance Contracting, financial instruments, blended funds, innovative on-bill and on-tax payment schemes, community-based financing schemes, etc. <p>Actions must take place in EU member states plus associated countries. Proposals must be submitted by at least 3 applicants (beneficiaries; not affiliated entities) from 3 different eligible countries.</p>

Eligible Applicants:	Eligible are legal entities (public or private bodies).
Total Budget: €8,000,000	
Deadline:	16/09/2026
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-CET-PDA

Call Title:	ALLEVIATING HOUSEHOLD ENERGY POVERTY IN EUROPE
Programme: European Commission (EC) - LIFE	
Objective:	Proposals should present the concrete results which will be delivered by the activities and demonstrate how these results will contribute to the topic-specific impacts. This demonstration should rely on a solid analysis of the current situation, realistic assumptions and baselines, and establish clear causality links between activities, results and impacts.
Eligible Activities:	In terms of qualitative impact, proposals under this topic should demonstrate how they will contribute to the reduction of (summer) energy poverty for the targeted households (Scope B) and the development of successful coordination structures (Scope A), which can be replicated in other regions or Member States. Prebound/rebound effects should be taken into account and factored in the quantification of impacts, where relevant. Actions must take place in EU member states plus associated countries. Proposals must be submitted by at least 3 applicants (beneficiaries; not affiliated entities) from 3 different eligible countries.
Eligible Applicants:	Eligible are legal entities (public or private bodies).
Total Budget: €6,000,000	
Deadline:	16/09/2026
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-CET-ENERPOV

Call Title:	ENVIRONMENT GOVERNANCE
Programme: European Commission (EC) - LIFE	
Objective:	The aim is to facilitate the transition toward a sustainable, circular, energy-efficient and climate-resilient economy, a toxic-free environment and at protecting, restoring and improving the quality of the environment in line with the European Green Deal and recent policy developments.
Eligible Activities:	The specific objective is to cover one or more of the following topics as fully defined in section 2 of the Call document: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circular Economy and Waste: Recovery of Resources from Waste, Circular Economy and the Environment

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zero pollution and sustainable management of natural resources: Air, Water, Soil, Noise, Chemicals, Industrial Emissions and Safety, A new European Bauhaus <p>LIFE projects shall take place in the territory of the European Union Member States plus Ukraine, Moldova, North Macedonia, Montenegro.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	In order to be eligible, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must be legal entities (public or private bodies) registered in an eligible country.
Total Budget: €6,500,000	
Deadline: 22/09/2026	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV-GOV

Call Title:	CIRCULAR ECONOMY AND ZERO POLLUTION
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - LIFE
Objective:	The aim is to facilitate the transition toward a sustainable, circular, energy-efficient and climate-resilient economy, a toxic-free environment and at protecting, restoring and improving the quality of the environment in line with the European Green Deal and recent policy developments.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The specific objective is to cover one or more of the following topics as fully defined in section 2 of the Call document:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circular Economy and Waste: Recovery of Resources from Waste, Circular Economy and the Environment Zero pollution and sustainable management of natural resources: Air, Water, Soil, Noise, Chemicals, Industrial Emissions and Safety, A new European Bauhaus <p>LIFE projects shall take place in the territory of the European Union Member States plus Ukraine, Moldova, North Macedonia, Montenegro.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	In order to be eligible, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must be legal entities (public or private bodies) registered in an eligible country.
Total Budget: €79,000,000	
Deadline: 22/09/2026	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV-ENVIRONMENT

Call Title:	Apply for Artificial Intelligence Startup Acceleration Programme
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Programme: PLAI Accelerator	
Objective:	The PLAI Call for Startups 2026 is an initiative designed to support high-impact, scalable artificial intelligence startups that aim to transform and advance Italy's innovation landscape.
Eligible Activities:	<p>The focus areas include artificial intelligence-driven innovation, education technology, corporate training, digital learning, retail optimization, customer experience enhancement, demand forecasting, logistics efficiency, media and advertising strategy, content distribution, publishing workflows, reader engagement, and corporate functions such as planning, administration, procurement, and legal operations.</p> <p>The programme is designed to accelerate the growth of startups developing AI-driven solutions that enhance processes and support product innovation across multiple business sectors. It seeks to identify and support groundbreaking technologies that can transform how organizations operate and deliver value. Selected startups can receive up to 300,000 euros in equity investment to support their growth and scaling activities. In addition, up to 100,000 euros in collaboration opportunities are available through the Mondadori Group, alongside access to a pool of corporate experts who provide guidance throughout the startup journey. The programme is structured to provide both financial support and strategic corporate engagement, ensuring startups receive investment, mentorship, and operational expertise to strengthen their market position and scalability.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	The initiative focuses on supporting startups that develop innovative AI solutions across key sectors such as education, retail, media, advertising, publishing, and corporate operations. These areas include improving learning systems, enhancing customer experiences, optimizing business processes, and modernizing content creation and distribution.
Total Budget: €500,000	
Deadline: 31/12/2026	
More information and official documents:	https://www.plai-accelerator.com/call-2026/

Call Title:	STRATEGIC NATURE PROJECTS
Programme: European Commission (EC) - LIFE	
Objective:	A SNAP will not have to cover all actions foreseen in the strategy/plan or ensure that the strategy/plan will be fully implemented during the lifetime of the SNAP. However, the SNAP shall include strategic actions to catalyse a process and mobilise supplementary commitments and funding that will lead, in due time, to the full implementation of the plan or strategy. SNAPs shall promote the coordination with and mobilisation of other relevant Union, national or private funding sources for the implementation of the complementary measures or actions outside of the SNAP in the framework of the targeted plan or strategy, giving preference to Union funding. Within the SNAP itself, however, co-funding may not come from other Union funding sources.
Eligible Activities:	SNAPs shall actively involve the main stakeholders necessary for the implementation of the targeted plan or strategy. They should be involved in both

	<p>the design and implementation of the given project. This involvement is expected to be achieved by including them – where possible and reasonable – as associated beneficiaries of the SNAP, or through their active participation in the implementation of the SNAP itself and/or of the complementary actions. SNAPs should facilitate and result in the building up of strategic capacities among the competent authorities and stakeholders to ensure a long-term sustainability of project results and actions, and to ensure that they will be able to function as co-deliverers of the targeted plan or strategy after the end of the SNAP.</p> <p>Proposals must relate to activities taking place in EU countries, Moldova, North Macedonia, Ukraine, Montenegro, Ukraine.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	In order to be eligible, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must: be legal entities (public or private bodies).
Total Budget: €75,000,000	
Deadline: 04/03/2027	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-STRAT-NAT-SNAP-two-stage

Call Title:	STRATEGIC INTEGRATED PROJECTS – CLIMATE ACTION
Programme:	European Commission (EC) - LIFE
Objective:	<p>Climate change adaptation SIPs should help achieve the objectives of Article 5 of the European Climate Law²⁴ or the EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change. In order to do so, SIPs should support the implementation of national climate change adaptation strategies or plans, as required under the European Climate Law, or comparable regional, multi-regional or transnational strategies and plans. More specifically, they are expected to select and implement a clearly defined set of actions in the corresponding adaptation strategy or plan, which are to be financed by LIFE.</p>
Eligible Activities:	<p>Applicants should explain how and to what extent this set of actions will help to implement the overall strategy or plan.</p> <p>Also, in order to substantially contribute to the implementation of this strategy or plan, SIPs should specify</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – additional, complementary adaptation actions, which are to be funded by other EU, national or private funding sources; – how the project will mobilise complementary funds that can finance activities beyond the scope and timeframe of what is funded by LIFE, like measures to integrate climate adaptation objectives in private investment decisions; – auxiliary actions that facilitate the implementation of the overall strategy or plan, such as capacity-building; – how the project ensures the involvement of, and coordination between, all relevant levels of government.

	Proposals must relate to activities taking place in EU countries, Ukraine, Moldova, North Macedonia, Montenegro.
Eligible Applicants:	In order to be eligible, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must: be legal entities (public or private bodies).
Total Budget: €30,000,000	
Deadline: 04/03/2027	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-STRAT-CLIMA-SIP-two-stage

Call Title:	STRATEGIC INTEGRATED PROJECTS – ENVIRONMENT
Programme: European Commission (EC) - LIFE	
Objective:	SIPs should aim at the full implementation of the strategies and plans listed in “Objective”. This might not mean that the SIP will cover all actions foreseen in the strategy/plan or that the strategy/plan will be fully implemented during the lifetime of the SIP. However, the SIP shall include strategic actions to catalyse a process and mobilise supplementary commitments and funding that will lead, in due time, to the full implementation of the plan or strategy. SIPs shall promote the coordination with and mobilisation of other relevant Union, national or private funding sources for the implementation of the complementary measures or actions outside of the SIP in the framework of the targeted plan or strategy, giving preference to EU funding. Within the SIP itself, however, co-funding may not come from other EU funding sources.
Eligible Activities:	<p>SIPs shall actively involve the main stakeholders necessary for the implementation of the targeted plan or strategy. They should be involved in both the design and implementation of the given project. This involvement is expected to be achieved by including them – where possible and reasonable – as associated beneficiaries of the SIP, or through their active participation in the implementation of the SIP itself and/or of the complementary actions. SIPs should facilitate and result in the building up of strategic capacities among the competent authorities and stakeholders to ensure a long-term sustainability of project results and actions, and to ensure that they will be able to function as co-deliverers of the targeted plan or strategy during or after the end of the SIP.</p> <p>Proposals must relate to activities taking place in EU countries, Ukraine, Moldova, North Macedonia, Montenegro.</p>
Eligible Applicants:	In order to be eligible, the applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities) must: be legal entities (public or private bodies).
Total Budget: €58,000,000	
Deadline: 04/03/2027	
More information and official documents:	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-STRAT-ENV-SIP-two-stage

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