



Call 08

Interreg Euro-MED Programme

Public presentation of key features

Subject to official approval of the Terms of References

17th July 2026

Calls Calendar

Calls	Status	Priorities	Budget	Opening on	Closing on
1st call: Governance Projects	Closed	ISO 1	19 M€	24/02/2022	01/06/2022
2nd call: Thematic Projects	Closed	PO1/PO2	118 M€	27/06/2022	27/10/2022
3rd call: Governance Projects	Closed	ISO 1	17 M€	29/09/2022	03/11/2022
4th call: Thematic Projects	Closed	PO1/PO2	46 M€	12/03/2024	12/06/2024
5th call: Thematic Projects (Strategic Territorial Projects only)	Closed	PO1/PO2	35 M€	14/01/2025 (2nd phase)	28/02/2025 (2nd phase)
6th call: Thematic Projects (Test projects) – Targeted to projects of the 2nd call only – Fast lane	Closed	PO1/PO2	4 M€	08/01/2026	27/02/2026
7th Call: MMM Capitalisation Thematic Projects (sustainable tourism)	Planned	PO1/PO2	8 M€**	01/09/2026	30/09/2026
8th Call: Thematic Projects (Test projects)	Planned	PO1/PO2	20 M€**	10/2026	11/2026

* The above calendar may be revised and is subject to the approval of the Monitoring Committee.

** Indicative budget

Call 08: Constraints and identification of topics

Constraints and opportunities:

- Short implementation period = max 2 years -> implies projects with limited number of activities, mature enough for direct implementation and good consumption rate
- Implementation will occur between the end of the 21/27 period and the beginning of 28/34 period
- Budget commitment rate per S.O. and Indicators targets

Proposal based also on:

- An analysis of the Programme document and what is already covered by the 90 financed projects
- ESPON analysis for 28-34 period
- Stakeholders' consultation for the harvesting report (end 2024)
- Governance projects consultation
- Analysis of ongoing initiatives, strategies, ... like the Mediterranean Pact, the revised MSSD 26-35, the EU Skills agenda, ...
- Ongoing calls launched simultaneously in the Mediterranean area

8 Governance Projects

Calls 01 & 03

7-year projects - Started Jan. 2023

Community4Innovation		Dialogue4Innovation
Community4Nature		Dialogue4Nature
Community4LivingAreas		Dialogue4LivingAreas
Community4Tourism		Dialogue4Tourism

90 Thematic projects

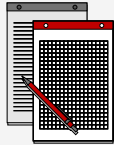
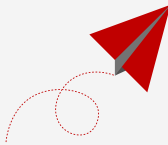
Calls 02 + 04 + 05 + 06

56 projects Call 02 - Started Jan. 2024

23 projects Call 04 – Started April 2025

9 projects Call 05 – Started Sept. 2025

2 projects Call 06 – Start May 2026

			
8 study	58 Test	15 Transfer	9 STP
			
23	19	25	23
SO1.1: 15 SO2.6: 8	SO 2.4: 10 SO2.7: 9	SO 2.4: 25	SO1.1: 4 SO2.4: 7 SO2.6: 6 SO2.7: 6

90 Thematic projects

Innovative Sustainable economy



CALL02

2B-Blue (T+Tr)
AZA4ICE (T+Tr)
BLUE ECOSYSTEM (T)
CARBON FARMING MED (T+Tr)
CircleMED (T)
Clepsydra (T)
eWAsTER (T)
GREENSMARTMED (T+Tr)
OliveOilMedNet (T)
ProcuraMED (Tr)
REPper (T)
REVIVE (T+Tr)
SPOWIND (S)
VERDEinMED (T+Tr)

CALL04

AquaBioNets (Tr)
BIOSTARS (Tr)
CirBioWaste (Tr)
SOLE MED (Tr)
Reconnect (T)

CALL05 (STP)

EcoMedIslands
IDRON
SHARE-MedWATER
Watervill

Natural heritage



CALL02

ARTEMIS (T)
CARBON4SOILQUALITY(S)
COASTRUST (T)
FRED (T+Tr)
Germ of Life (T+Tr)
GreenList4MMPAs (S)
LocAll4Flood (T+Tr)
MedSeaRise (S)
MPA4Change (Tr)
StrategyMedFor (T+Tr)
TREASURE (T)
WE GO COOP (Tr)
Wetland4Change (T+Tr)

CALL04

INCORE-MED (T)
MIRAMAR (T)
RENFORCE (T)

CALL05 (STP)

RedeeM
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CALL06

CARBON 4
SOIL QUALITY
PLUS

Green Living Areas



CALL02

ArtMED (T)
BauNOW (T)
BAUHAUS4MED (T)
CO2 PACMAN (T+Tr)
E-MED (T)
EnerCmed (T)
GARDEN (T)
GREENMO (S)
INFIRE (T)
LOGREENER (Tr)
MED COLOURS (T+Tr)
NUDGES (S)
ProLIGHTmed (T)
RECinMED (T)
ReMED (T+Tr)
RENEWPORT (T)
RuralMED Mobility (T)
Streets for Citizens (T)
URWAN (T+Tr)

CALL04

Green B-LEAF (T)
HEATSAFE (T)
RE-ACT Schools (T)
RealUrbanGreen (T)
UrbanGreenLeap (T)

CALL05 (STP)

MED H2

Sustainable Tourism



CALL02

COOL NOONS (T+Tr)
HERIT ADAPT (T+Tr)
LIBECCIO (T+Tr)
MAST (S)
MedDiet Go (Tr)
MED-GIAHS (Tr)
MED-Routes (Tr)
NaTour4CChange (T)
SMITour (S)
TOURISMO (T+Tr)

CALL04

AQUAMAN (T)
DarkSkyTour (T)
ECO-SEAROUTES (T)
GreenSET (T)
INSPIRE (T)
MED4REGEN (T)
PortCREW (T)
RECIRCLE MED (Tr)
Regenera4MED (T)
TO CARE MED (Tr)

CALL05 (STP)

Loop Zone
WATERISE

CALL06

MAST PLUS

Zoom on ESPON proposals for future thematic focuses

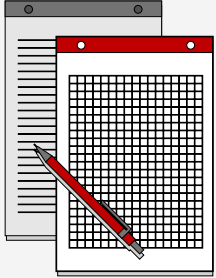


- Consolidate strong thematic focus on **climate adaptation, environmental resilience and the green and blue economy,**
- Continue on **integrated sustainability approaches, linking climate adaptation, biodiversity protection, water management, circular economy and pollution reduction,**
- Give greater attention to **skills development** in the context of **green and blue transitions.**
- Further explore **citizen engagement and participatory approaches.**

Zoom on end of 2024 public consultation proposals for future thematic focuses

- Promote climate adaptation and resilience by strengthening risk management, protecting **protected areas and ecosystems**, and supporting action on emissions and **pollution**.
- Advance **sustainability** through circular and blue economy practices, the energy transition, and stronger **water and food security**, while promoting sustainable mobility and tackling overtourism.
- Strengthen capacity-building and governance through a more inclusive Mediterranean model, encouraging **policy convergence** and a **framework for knowledge and experience exchange**.
- Address the economic and social challenges linked to digital infrastructure, the **development of highly qualified job opportunities** and support for local economies and SMEs.
- Foster innovation by making better use of research and development outputs and promoting **innovative strategies for resilience**.
- Maintain strong attention to **sustainability, urban regeneration, rural renewal**, social inclusion, and technology and innovation.
- Enhance **citizen engagement** to foster community participation and strengthen citizens' voices in decision-making.

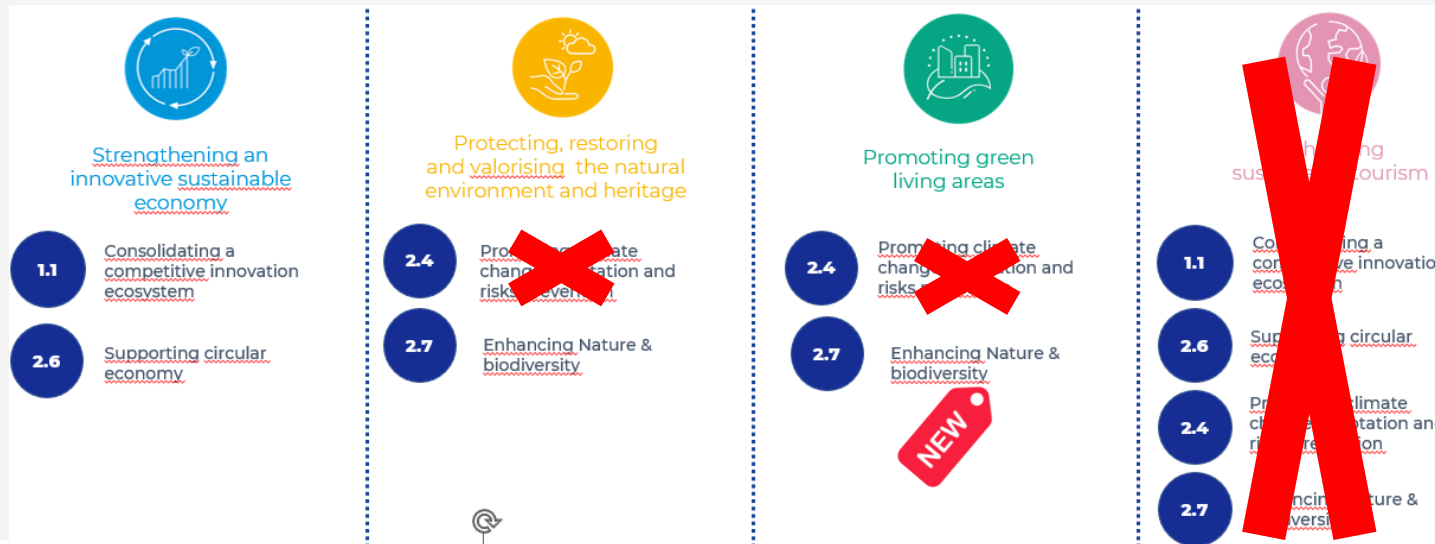
Test



Max: 2.000.000€

24 months

- Call budget: around **20 M€** depends on overprogramming
= around 10 projects
- 3 Missions only, Tourism not open due to MMM coordinated calls
- S.O. 2.4 not open
- Inclusion of S.O.2.7 to Mission GLA
- 1 ToR with dedicated sections per mission



Guiding thread :
“Advancing territorial resilience”

- **Territorial and institutional anchoring** of the proposed actions
 - Projects are expected to mobilize actors directly involved **in policy implementation** and **territorial management**, ensuring that partnerships possess the **operational competences, institutional legitimacy**, and **technical capacities** necessary to produce realistic and durable outcomes.
 - **Partnership structure:** 8-12 institutional partners and operational partners with direct competence on the field tackled and on policy implementation, and capability to implement the pilot activities : owner of the land/facility or existing agreement with the land/facility owner
- They shall favor the integration of their results in local and regional policies, thus contributing to **regional convergence** in the Euro-MED cooperation area and **place-based strategies**. Project should be sufficiently **mature** to ensure that results can be effectively translated into policies or practices and integrate prevention measures.
- Compulsory activity: one **training** to be included in the **Euro-MED Academy**, to contribute to the **EU skills agenda** for the green and blue transition, promoting reskilling or upscaling aligned with emerging green or blue sectors.

General framework / Key features

- **Link up with existing policies** to support policy coherence and efficiency
 - Mediterranean Pact (based on 1st action plan mainly)
 - Revised MSSD with its flagship initiatives
 - EU Skills agenda
 - UfM Ministerial declaration on Environment
 - UfM Ministerial declaration on Blue Economy
 - Nature Restoration Regulation (particularly for Natural Heritage mission)
 - Global Biodiversity Framework (particularly for Natural Heritage mission)
 - Biodiversity Strategy (particularly for Natural Heritage mission)
 - SwitchMed Programme (particularly for ISE mission)
 - Toward Zero pollution for Air, Water and Soil Action Plan (particularly for ISE mission)
 - EU Green Agenda (particularly for ISE mission)

General framework / Key features

- **Action-oriented and results-driven:** prioritise **on-the-ground implementation** of pilot activities.
- **Maturity of the proposals and readiness of pilot actions** implementation: **operational and fast implementation of investments** to be proven by detailed calendar of public procurements and equipment purchase and installation needs; **identified locations of pilot actions**; identified equipment needed, ...
- Possibility to **use existing solutions** developed in other contexts to expand at Euro-MED level : EU Mission Restore our ocean & waters, EU Mission Adaptation to climate change, EU mission climate neutral and smart cities, EU Mission A soil deal for Europe, UNEP-MAP MSSD 2026-2035, UfM, WestMed, EUSAIR, CBC programmes, regional level programmes or initiatives, ...
- **Focused scope:** Given the time constraints, projects should have a **narrowly defined scope**. They typically address **a specific issue or challenge** within their chosen mission and target a clearly defined territorial context.



Project focus under Mission innovative sustainable economy

Sustainable and innovative production and consumption practices

- **Reducing air pollution in the construction sector**
- **Reducing water pollution in the agri-food sector**
- **Reducing water plastic pollution**

1.1

innovative activities including service, technology or non-technology driven innovation, organizational patterns...

2.6

innovative activities which remodel the current linear economy and create pathways towards a circular economy and a sustainable society.

Projects shall cover well identified territories, type of pollution and sector, and clearly contribute to the Zero pollution for Air, Water and Soil Action Plan through measurable impact.





Project focus under Mission Natural Heritage

2.7

Science-policy interface

- **Ecosystem Restoration :** Restoring degraded ecosystems through:
 - Concrete on-the-ground interventions leading to measurable ecological improvements
 - The implementation of restoration-related legislation and plans
 - The consideration of the ecological connectivity in the design of restoration actions

- **Biodiversity Resilience and Management of Terrestrial and Marine sites :**
 - Strengthening the long-term capacity for ecosystem management, conservation, and adaptation to environmental and climate-related pressures through monitoring and management related activities





Project focus under Mission Green Living Areas

Well being and health

➤ Well being and health in living areas

- Promote a transdisciplinary approach supporting the identification of new lines of action, indicators, and partnerships connecting urban resilience, climate adaptation, environment, and public health
- Focus on health inequalities and social justice
- Integrate monitoring actions and participatory process involving citizens

➤ Urban agriculture and resilient food systems

- Promoting the development of resilient urban agriculture by designing and implementing multifunctional green infrastructure and/or,
- Urban agriculture as a means of promoting social inclusion and neighborhood regeneration, through the transformation of spaces and the integration of citizen participation processes and/or,
- Developing or improving sustainable territorial food systems through integrated governance approaches (involving public authorities, economic stakeholders, civil society, and citizens)



Proposal for a new application and assessment process

1 written application
1 oral presentation
2-phase assessment



Simplified written Application



Pre-selection



Oral presentation



Final selection



No change in the existing assessment criteria, but assessment split into written application and oral presentation

Calendar Call Euro-MED 08

	Indicative date
First presentation of key features and calendar of the Call (online)	17 July
MC ToRs approval	September 2026
Transnational Informative session (online)	22 September 2026 (to be confirmed)
Opening of the written Application step	1st October 2026
Closure of the written Application	2 nd November 2026
Submission of mandatory annexes	16th November 2026
Assessment of written Applications and partners' verifications	Nov. 2026 – Feb. or March 2027 <i>(depending on number of applications received)</i>
Pre-Selection by the Monitoring Committee	Early March or April 2027
Oral presentations	March or April 2027
Final selection by the Monitoring Committee	April or May 2027
Pre-contracting and contracting procedures	April – May 2027
Starting date of the projects	May or June 2027

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