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Thematic Seminar

Open Call for proposals

Euro-MED04

Thematic projects : TEST or TRANSFER
Mission Natural Heritage

21st March 2024

Agenda

11:30 – 12:00 Content of the Terms of Reference for the Mission Natural Heritage
Presentation by the JS
Questions & Answers

12:00 – 12:30 Governance projects of the Mission
Presentation by the Governance Projects of the activities involving Thematic projects
Information about topics tackled by approved projects under Call 02
Questions & Answers

Calendar of the call - upcoming key dates

Opening – Closing of the Call	12/03/2024 – 12/06/2024 13.00 (Brussels time)
Technical meetings (online)	<p>04/04/2024 10.00-12.30: Partnership & Logical framework, Strategic framework</p> <p>15/04/2024 10.00-12.30: Work Plan / Mandatory activities / Communication activities / Indicators / Investments</p> <p>17/04/2024 10.00-12.30: Budget/Eligibility of expenditure/ State aid</p> <p>16/05/2024 10.00-12.30: Q&A</p>
Instruction phase	June 2024 - January 2025 (depending on number of applications submitted)
MC selection decision	February 2025 (see above)
Projects Starting date	01/04/2025

National Info Days
Malta 13/03
Montenegro 18/03
Bosnia&Herzegovina 03/04
Slovenia 04/04
France 05/04
Spain 08/04
Croatia 15+16/04
Italy : 23/04
Bulgaria 25/04
Cyprus 25/04
Republic of North Macedonia 29/04
Portugal end/04



ALL CATEGORIES EXTERNAL NATIONAL INFORMATION PROGRAMME SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

By month : By year : By project :

All months All years All projects SEARCH

18 MAR	NATIONAL INFORMATION Info Day on the 4th Call for Thematic Projects - MONTENEGRO	13 MAR	NATIONAL INFORMATION Info Day on the 4th Call for Thematic Projects - MALTA
01 DEC	NATIONAL INFORMATION Seas of Synergies - Interreg MED & Adrion capitalisation event	03 OCT	NATIONAL INFORMATION Networking for capitalisation in Montenegro
13 JUN	NATIONAL INFORMATION Transnational Cooperation in Bosnia and Herzegovina Under the Spotlight	30 MAR	NATIONAL INFORMATION Cooperation projects on sustainable tourism in Italy
07 MAR	NATIONAL INFORMATION Launch of European programmes 2021/2027, Corsica	19 SEP	NATIONAL INFORMATION Italy - Info Day: Preparing the 2nd call for proposals
16	NATIONAL INFORMATION	12	NATIONAL INFORMATION



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Mission Natural Heritage

Terms of Reference

Interreg Euro-MED's missions: a comprehensive approach

Strengthening an innovative sustainable economy



Protecting, restoring and valorising the natural environment and heritage



Promoting green living areas



Enhancing sustainable tourism





1 mission → 1 priority → 2 specific objectives



Greener Mediterranean

2.4

Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, resilience, taking into account eco-system-based approaches

2.7

Enhancing protection and conservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure including in urban areas and reducing all forms of pollution





What should the projects build on?

- **Interreg MED Programme 2014-2020** experience and draw on the implementation and work of previously implemented projects.
- other relevant **programmes or initiatives in the Mediterranean** (following links: <https://interreg.eu/> and <https://keep.eu/> for Interreg projects and [Projects & Results \(europa.eu\)](https://europea.eu/) for directly managed by the [European Commission Programmes](https://europea.eu/) .

In particular for this call, emphasis is given to the capitalisation of results from **PRIMA/HORIZON, LIFE and EMFAF (DG Mare) Programmes:**

PRIMA: <https://prima-med.org/what-we-do/years/>

LIFE: [LIFE 3.0 - LIFE Project Public Page \(europa.eu\)](https://europea.eu/)

[Best projects and LIFE Awards](https://europea.eu/) - European Commission (europa.eu)

Horizon: [The Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership; EU mission restore our oceans and waters.](https://europea.eu/)





Mission Natural heritage projects 2nd call

Coastal/ Sea Environment

ARTEMIS - Restoration of **seagrass** through Innovative ecosystem-service based Solutions

COASTRUST - shared **stewardship** for Mediterranean Coasts

GreenList4MMPAs - Adapting **IUCN Green List Standard** to the Mediterranean Marine Protected Areas

Risk management

LocAll4Flood - Flash **flood** risk prevention & resilience through an Integrated Multi-stakeholder Governance Mode

MedSeaRise - Adaptation to Mediterranean **sea level rise**

FRED – implement drones for climate change adaptation, monitoring, disaster risk prevention and mitigation in the **wildfire** segment.

Germ of Life - Digital Drought Risk Management enabling the **drought** mitigation and adaptation strategies for the restoration of the ecosystem equilibrium in Mediterranean European Countries

TREASURE - Testing novel environmental quality measures in and around Euro-MED **ports**





Mission Natural heritage projects 2nd call

Carbon removal

CARBON 4 SOIL QUALITY - Capturing and Storing Atmospheric CO₂ for the improvement of soil quality

Climate change adaptation

MPA4Change - Enhancing **Marine Protected Areas as Nature Based Solutions for adaptation to climate change**: from local actions to Mediterranean basin strategy

Mediterranean Forests

StrategyMedFor - Strategy for the **Sustainable Management** of Mediterranean Forests

Wetlands

WE GO COOP - improving **wetland governance** through a community of practice

WetlandSolutions4Change - Wetlands-based **solutions for climate change** adaptation, risk prevention and mitigation





Protecting, restoring and valorising the natural environment and heritage

2.4 climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, resilience, taking into account eco-system-based approaches

- > prevention and management of **disaster risks** (coastal resilience, floods)
- > promote **climate change adaptation and resilience** measures (cultural landscapes, biodiversity loss; urban-non urban connectivity)



- > **awareness raising and environmental culture:** water accounting, Citizen participation in biodiversity monitoring and management





Project output and result indicators under SO 2.4

Challenge addressed



Solution elaborated by the partnership



Testing phase to validate the solution

Jointly developed solutions



Clear actions towards **upscaling of the solution**

Solutions taken up or up-scaled by organisations

Nature and cultural heritage based solutions to adapt sustainable agricultural, landscape and forestry models and practices to climate change

assessing, preventing, monitoring and managing risks increasing climate change protection

Methodologies, to design and further develop citizen participation in management and monitoring approaches

Solutions to improve the climate-change resilience of eco-system based services linked to biodiversity and eco-connectivity;





Project output and result indicators under SO 2.4

Identification of relevant **EU strategy**



Methodology for drafting the contributing strategy/ action plan



Objectives, targets, actions, timeframe, finances, stakeholders engaged

Strategies and action plans jointly developed



Clear actions towards **taking up of the joint strategy/ action plan** by organisations

Joint strategies/ action plans taken up by organisations

Strategies and action plans for disaster risk prevention and prevention of natural hazards

Plans for sustainable management of natural, forestry or landscape resources

Climate Change Adaptation Strategies/action plans - regional and local level

Climate actions plans

Strategies providing support for the adoption of integrative planning (Maritime Spatial Planning, Integrated Coastal Zone Management...)





Protecting, restoring and valorising the natural environment and heritage

2.7 Enhancing protection and conservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure including in urban areas and reducing all forms of pollution

> implementation and enforcement of environmental policies/législations:

area-based **conservation and restoration** measures targeting urban and **peri-urban biodiversity**

species and habitats: Conservation and Connectivity **across ecoregions.**



> **protection and preservation of natural resources:** wetlands and transitional waters; Water Resources Management and Conservation

> **restore degraded and polluted ecosystems**, guaranteeing a healthy environment: Green and blue Ecosystems in the urban and peri-urban environment





Project output and result indicators under SO 2.7

Sustainable management of natural resources : land, sea, wetlands, urban, peri-urban

Restoration of overused and polluted areas: land, sea, wetlands, urban, peri-urban

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Green and blue infrastructures solutions for integrated management of natural ecosystems;

co-management of natural resources across ecoregions





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Protection, conservation and restoration of natural resources to be integrated into territorial strategies as pillar towards a long term and sustainable growth;

Strategies/action plans for the process of designation of new protected areas

Strategies/actions that decline at territorial level EU policies for biodiversity, sustainable water management or other key – strategies

integrating protection and restoration of natural resources into further local/regional plans.





Strategies (strategies under preparation)

EU 2030 Biodiversity Strategy

Barcelona Convention

Common Fisheries Policy

Convention on Biological Diversity

Zero Pollution Action Plan for Air, Water and Soil

UN Environment/MAP Regional Plan
for Marine Litter in the Mediterranean

Water Framework
Directive 2000/60/EC

EU Marine Strategy
Framework directive

UN Environment/MAP Mediterranean
Strategy for Sustainable Development



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Questions?

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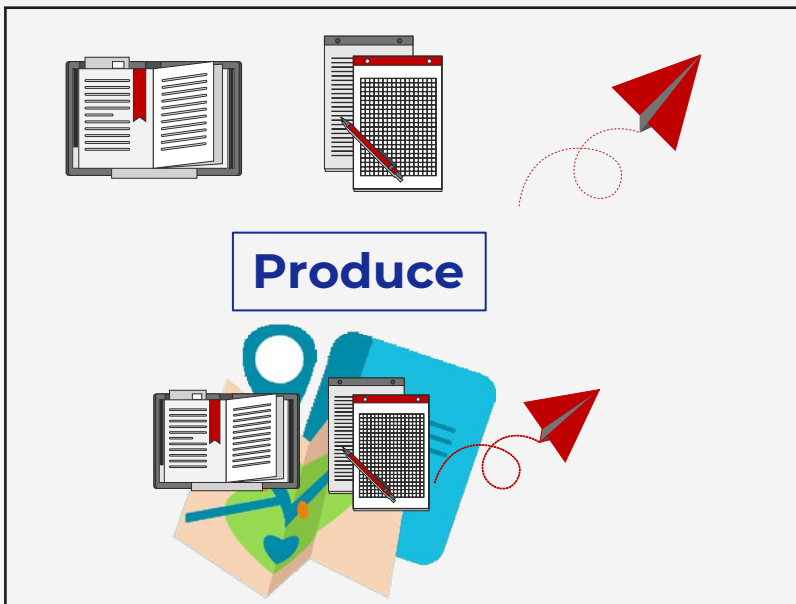
Transferability, amplification : thematic projects and the governance projects



Interreg Euro-MED Architecture for a Better Governance

THEMATIC PROJECTS

Individual but complementary



GOVERNANCE PROJECTS

Amplify collectively

Thematic Community

Exchange/
Complement/
Focus

Institutional Dialogue

Policy action
Mainstream
Upscale

Interreg Euro-MED Architecture for a Better Governance

THEMATIC PROJECTS 2nd call

Check our projects :

[What we do - Programme Interreg Euro-MED \(interreg-euro-med.eu\)](http://interreg-euro-med.eu)

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