



## FACTSHEET

Call for Proposals in the **Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation** programme in **Slovenia**

# OUTCOME B.4: Improved management of ecosystems under climate change pressures



The Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy (GODC) as the Programme Operator of the “Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation” programme launches the Call for Proposals. The total amount available under this Call for Proposals is **15,564,705.88 EUR**. The available funding under the programme outcome “Improved management of ecosystems under climate change pressures” is **3,000,000.00 EUR**. Projects contributing to this outcome will be supported by the **EEA Grants 2014–2021**.

<b>Eligible applicants</b>	Any entity, public or private, commercial or non-commercial and non-governmental organisation, established as a legal person in <b>Slovenia</b> .
<b>Eligible partners</b>	Any public or private entity, commercial or non-commercial, as well as non-governmental organisations established as a legal person in <b>Slovenia</b> or in one of the <b>Donor States</b> , or any international organisation or body or agency thereof, actively involved in, and effectively contributing to the implementation of a project.
<b>Eligible area</b>	The eligible area of implementation of projects is the territory of <b>Slovenia</b> , project activities can also be carried out in <b>Norway</b> , <b>Iceland</b> and <b>Liechtenstein</b> when relevant to the project. The implementation of project activities outside these two eligible areas shall be admissible only in specially justified cases and subject to prior approval of the GODC. <b>Outcomes</b> and the <b>outputs</b> of the projects must be implemented in <b>Slovenia</b> .
<b>Project funding:</b>	Minimum <b>200,000 EUR</b> / maximum <b>1,200,000 EUR</b>
<b>Grant rate</b>	Up to <b>100 %</b> of the total eligible expenditure.
<b>Project duration</b>	<b>12–24 months</b> . Projects must be completed by <b>30 April 2024</b> at the latest.

## Focus

Focus is on **restoring ecosystems in Natura 2000 areas**, the operation of which has been changed or reduced due to climate change, and on **integrating** the aspect of **ecosystem services into the management models** of such ecosystems.

## Expected output

**Improved capacity for ecosystems management.**

*Further information about the outputs and associated indicators is highlighted in the Guide for Beneficiaries PART 1.*

## Supported activities

The following list contains illustrative examples of activities eligible for support:

- pilot implementation of rehabilitation of degraded ecosystems;
- mapping of ecosystem services for developing appropriate governance models that take into account all direct and indirect contributions of ecosystems to social welfare in their decision-making processes,
- organisation of a targeted awareness raising/training campaign;
- specialised training for relevant experts and other stakeholders;
- development of management models and their pilot testing in the target area.

*Further information on supported areas may be found in the Guide for Beneficiaries PART 1 and further information on project development in the Guide for Beneficiaries PART 2.*

## Eligible expenditures

Eligible expenditures are those that are incurred between the first and final dates of eligibility as specified in the project contract; are connected with the subject of the project contract and are indicated in the detailed budget of the project.

*Eligible expenditures and the specific criteria applicable to individual categories are further detailed in the Guide for Beneficiaries PART 4.*

## Application deadline

All applications must be submitted by **30 September 2021 at 12:00 (noon) CET**, using the [electronic monitoring system \(eMS\)](#). Applications received by other means will be rejected.

*Further information about the complete application may be found in the Guide for Beneficiaries PART 1.*

## Selection process and criteria

Projects will be selected based on the quality of the applications and on the extent to which they meet the selection criteria described in the Call for Proposals. Applicants must receive a minimum **of 75 point out of 95 points** to qualify for financing. Projects with a project partner from the Donor States shall additionally receive **5 points** after the achieved threshold of 75 points.

The **selection results** should be made public approximately **6 months** after the final date for the application submission.

*The selection criteria and process are further elaborated on in the Guide for Beneficiaries PART 1.*

## Project contract and reporting obligations

Successful applicants – Project Promoters – will be required to enter into a **project contract** with the Programme Operator. The Project Promoter takes on full responsibility for the project and is obligated to submit **Joint Project Reports**, based on Partner Reports of each project partner, and the **Final Project Report**.

*Further information regarding the project promoters' reporting obligations is elaborated on in the Guide for Beneficiaries PART 5.*

## Additional information and FAQ

**Additional information** on the Call for Proposals can be obtained before the deadline for submission of proposals by sending questions to e-address: [nor\\_egp.svrk@gov.si](mailto:nor_egp.svrk@gov.si).

**Frequently asked questions** and answers shall be published on the websites [www.eeagrants.si](http://www.eeagrants.si) and [www.norwaygrants.si](http://www.norwaygrants.si), accessible at [www.norwaygrants.si/en/calls/environment](http://www.norwaygrants.si/en/calls/environment), and updated once a week.