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INTRODUCTION TO THE 2-STAGES APPLICATION

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MORE ABOUT THE 2 STAGE APPLICATION

- ❖ **why?** rationale for introducing two stage application
- ❖ **what?** 2 stages: concept note and full proposal
- ❖ **how?** selection, award criteria
- ❖ **when?** indicative calendar

RATIONALE FOR THE 2 STAGE APPLICATION

- ❖ Simplification of the application process and evaluation of LIFE traditional projects
- ❖ Easier procedure & faster feedback
- ❖ Need to address the decreasing number of applications for LIFE co-financing in recent years

What is LIFE 2 stage application approach?

❖ New **simplified** two-stage approach

1
Concept note

2
Full proposal

❖ **Only** for Environment sub-programme

❖ **Only** for traditional projects



Stage 1. Concept Note

What should the concept note include ? (i)

- ❖ Information about the Coordinating Beneficiary
- ❖ Description of the environmental problem targeted (for environment and information & governance strands) / description of species, habitats, biodiversity issues targeted by the project (for nature and biodiversity strands)
- ❖ Project objectives

Stage 1. Concept Note

What should the concept note include ? (ii)

- ❖ The project partners (information on the coordinating and associated beneficiaries, and co-financers of the project)
- ❖ Description of the project actions
- ❖ Expected results and impacts of the project
- ❖ The sustainability of project results
- ❖ Project risks and constraints

Stage 1. Concept Note

What should the concept note include ? (iii)

- ❖ The EU added value of the project (understood at this stage as the contribution to LIFE priorities and objectives)
- ❖ The pilot or demonstration character of the project (and/or best practice for nature and biodiversity strand)
- ❖ An indicative budget for the project limited to main budget items and repartition between EU contribution, partners own contributions and co-financers.

10 pages in total ! – via eProposal

Stage 1. Concept Note for ENV subprogramme

Concept note should NOT include ?

- ✓ Signed commitments (mandates, etc)
- ✓ Maps, pictures, attachments

Be aware – at the evaluation stage the concept note must fulfil the same eligibility criteria than those of the full proposal

- ❖ How, where and when to submit a proposal?
- ❖ Project submission procedure will be organised in two stages:
 - Stage 1: Concept note
 - Stage 2: Full proposal
- ❖ Applicants must submit their concept notes to the Contracting Authority via eProposal before 12 or the 14/06/2018, 16:00 Brussels local time.



The concept note can be modified, validated and (re)submitted as many times as needed until 12-14/06/2018, 16:00 Brussels local time. Each subsequent submission overwrites the previously submitted version (earlier versions are not archived and are therefore not available anymore).

CONCEPT NOTE AWARD CRITERIA	MINIMUM PASS SCORE*	MAXIMUM SCORE
1. Overall quality of the proposal	5	20
2. Overall EU added value	10	30
OVERALL (PASS) SCORES	15	50

EVALUATION CRITERIA – STAGE 1: CONCEPT NOTE

- ❖ **Overall quality of the proposal:** clarity of the proposals (including the description of the pre-operational context), its feasibility and the indicative value for money. (max. 20 – passing score: min 5)
- ❖ **Overall EU added value:** project's contribution to the LIFE priorities, expected impact, and sustainability of the project results. (max. 30 – passing score: min 10)

IF THE APPLICATION IS ADMITTED TO STAGE 2...

... the applicant will be notified in eProposal and will have access to the full application.

eProposal will contain the elements included at the concept note stage and the applicant will be able to expand the contents of the forms.

Changes can be introduced to the application including for the budget as long as the total EU contribution does not increase by more than 10%).


IF THE APPLICATION IS ADMITTED TO STAGE 2...






Be aware that any changes introduced at the level of the full proposal shall not question the selection and award at the concept note in term of:

- objective and results expected;
- capacity of the partnership to implement the actions

INDICATIVE TIMETABLE :

APPLICATION ENVIRONMENT SUB-PROGRAMME



Timeline	Phases
12 June 2018 (tbc)	 Submission of concept note <i>Max 10 pages + high-level budget</i>
June-September 2018	 Evaluation of concept note
October 2018	 Invitation for full proposal
End of January 2019	 Submission of full e-proposal
July 2019	 Signature of grants



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CALL 2018 EVALUATION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

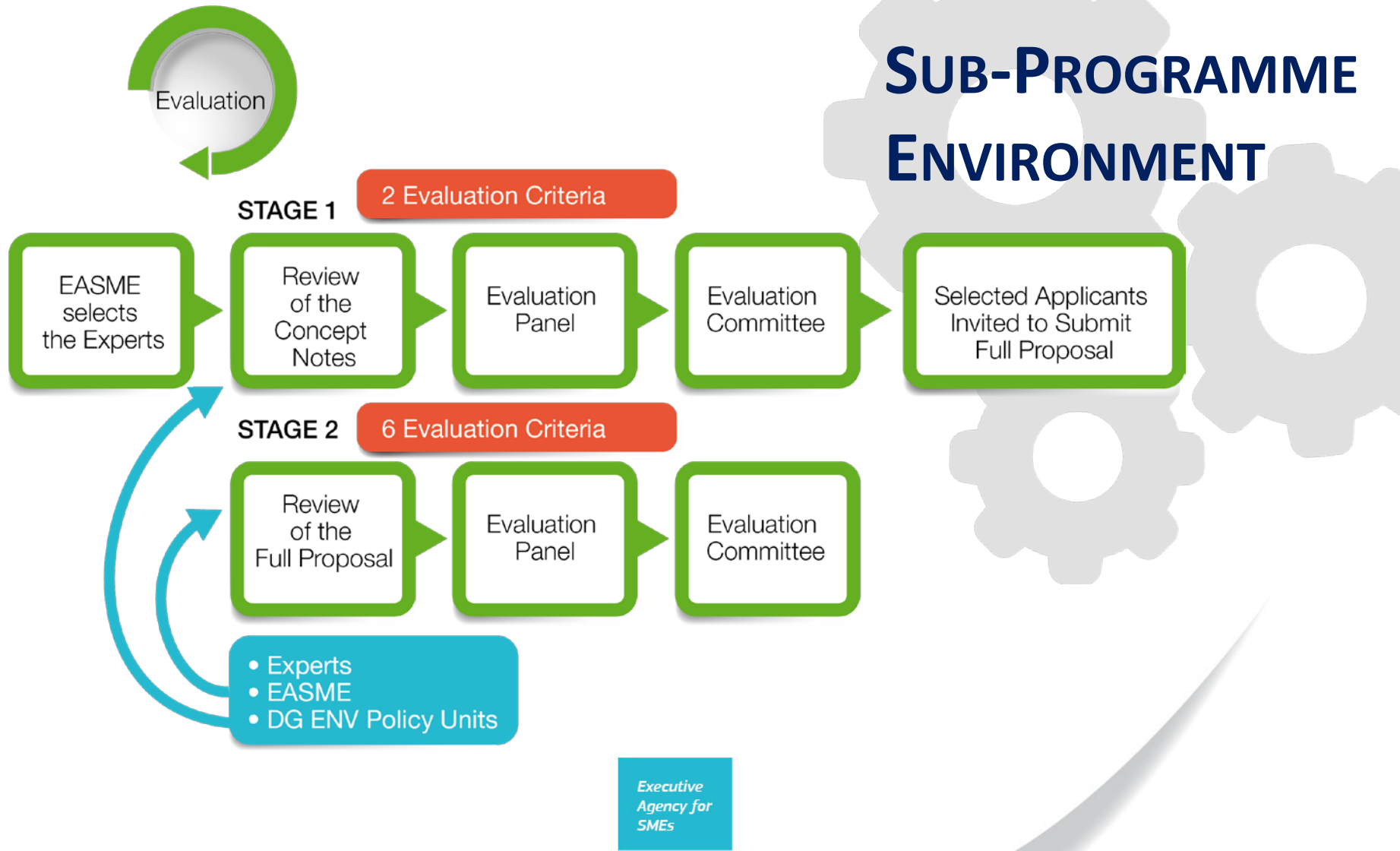
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Concept Note - Eligibility criteria (i)

- ❖ contributes to one or several of the general objectives set out in Article 3 of the LIFE Regulation and of the applicable specific objectives in Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the LIFE Regulation,
- ❖ falls within the scope of the priority area (as set out in Article 9 of the LIFE Regulation) of the LIFE sub-programme for Environment under which the project proposal was submitted
- ❖ takes place in the Union and/or territories to which the Treaties and relevant acquis apply or it fulfils one of the exceptions laid down in Articles 5 and 6 of the LIFE Regulation and specified in the Guidelines for applicants 2017, and

Concept Note - Eligibility criteria (ii)

- ❖ corresponds to one of the following project types as defined in Article 2 (a), (b), (c) and (h) of the LIFE Regulation: Pilot projects ; Demonstration projects; Best practice projects ; Information, awareness and dissemination projects.
- ❖ is not focused on research or dedicated to the construction of large infrastructure

Concept Note - Eligibility criteria (iii)

Compliance with eligibility criteria specific to each priority area:

- ❖ priority area **Environment and Resource Efficiency** must contain actions that lead to substantial and measurable direct effects on the environmental and/or climate action issue(s) targeted.
- ❖ priority area **Nature and Biodiversity**, must dedicate at least 25% of the eligible budget to concrete conservation actions.
- ❖ priority area **Environmental Governance and Information** must contain actions that lead to substantial and measurable direct or indirect effects on the environmental issue(s) targeted by causing substantial and measurable direct effects on the environmental governance, information, and/or awareness and dissemination issue(s) targeted.

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The applicants with the best ranked concept notes will be invited (in 10/2018) to submit a full proposal using the web tool eProposal available via the LIFE web page.

EVALUATION CRITERIA – STAGE 2: FULL PROPOSAL

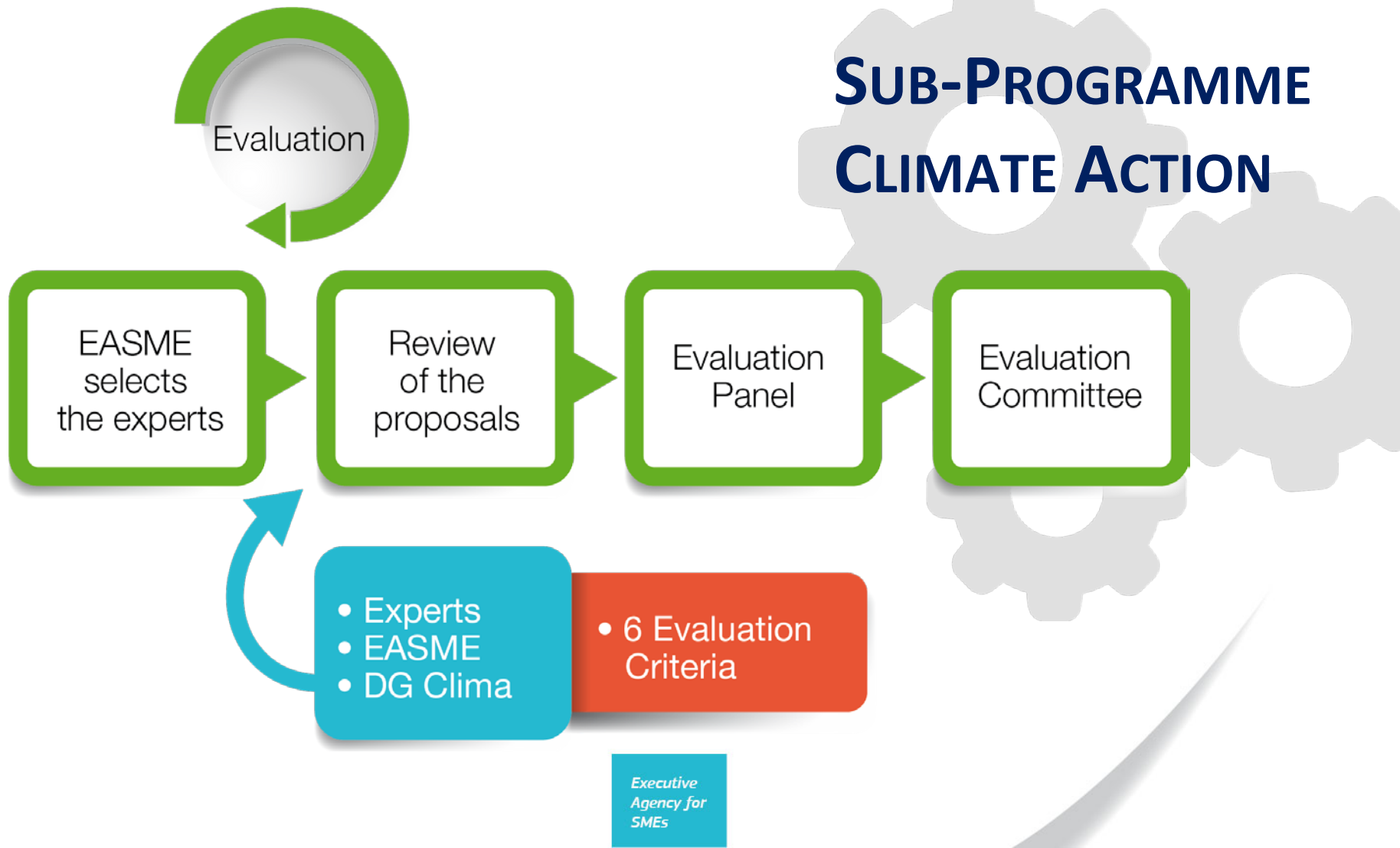
	Award criteria	Minimum pass score (*)	Maximum score
Technical and Financial coherence and quality			
1	Technical coherence and quality	10	20
2	Financial coherence and quality (including value for money)	10	20
EU added value			
3	Extent and quality of the contribution to the specific objectives of the priority areas of the LIFE sub-programme for Environment	10	20
4	Sustainability (continuation, replication, transfer)	8	15
	Overall (pass) score	50 (*)	
Bonus			
5	Contribution to the project topics	—	0 or 5 or 10
6	• Synergies (including multipurpose and integration/ complementarity (max. 8 points), Green Public Procurement (max. 1 point), Ecolabel (max. 1 point), and uptake EU-research results (max. 1 point))	—	15
	• Transnational (max. 4 points)		
	Maximum score		100

❖ 6 criteria detailed in:

❖ the evaluation guidelines
(*applicant's package*)

❖ The MAWP 2018-2020

❖ criteria 5 & 6 are bonus points



EVALUATION CRITERIA

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2	Financial coherence and quality (including value for money)	10	20
EU added value			
3	Extent and degree of quality of the contribution to the LIFE sub-programme for Climate Action priority areas and related specific objectives contained in Articles 14, 15 and 16 of the LIFE Regulation	10	20
4	Sustainability (continuation, replication, transfer)	8	15
	Overall (pass) score	50 (*)	
Bonus			
EU added value: contribution to the implementation of the Paris Agreement			
5	Contribution to the Climate Action policy areas set out in Section 4	—	0 or 5
	Contribution to the detailed work areas contained in the LIFE Climate Action annual call for proposals	—	0 or 5
6	• Synergies (including multipurpose and integration/ complementarity (max. 8 points), Green Public Procurement (max. 1 point), Ecolabel (max. 1 point), and uptake EU-research results (max. 1 point))	—	15
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ENVIRONMENT SUB-PROGRAMME

CRITERION 1 - “TECHNICAL COHERENCE AND QUALITY”

- ❖ The preoperational context is not sufficiently described.
- ❖ The proposal is lacking important detail to fully assess the problems to be addressed and the status of preparatory actions
- ❖ Fails to provide sufficient qualitative and quantitative information, and relevant baseline information, about threats and environmental problems
- ❖ Fails to adequately describe previous research and experience
- ❖ Actions x & y present a list of activities to establish baseline knowledge on the problems and threats to be tackled which should ideally have been concluded as part of the project design

CRITERION 1 - “TECHNICAL COHERENCE AND QUALITY”

- ❖ The proposal is not prepared in a clear and coherent way, particularly in time planning
- ❖ The proposal fails to put sufficient emphasis on the link between environmental threats, problems and related objectives, actions and expected results
- ❖ Expected results are not quantified
- ❖ Expected results and indicators of progress do not include measurable means of progress verification against set targets
- ❖ Technical descriptions of actions and deliverables not sufficiently detailed
- ❖ The communication and dissemination activities are reported as a list of activities without the necessary supporting strategies and defined targets

CRITERION 1 - SOME TIPS...

Ensure that the preoperational context is clearly described

Quantify expected results, link them coherently to the environmental problem targeted

Describe sufficiently actions and deliverables

Clear communication and dissemination strategy

Identify the project target, stakeholders and partnership

Build a consistent action plan to achieve the objectives

CRITERION 2 - “FINANCIAL COHERENCE AND QUALITY”

- ❖ The budget is not fully justified or coherent
- ❖ Costs not supported from the project description or not sufficiently detailed.
 - ❖ Personnel costs too generally described – e.g. “engineer”
 - ❖ High lump sums with insufficient detail
- ❖ Wrong classification of specific costs
 - ❖ Most or all foreseen equipment is readily available in the market ≠ prototype
 - ❖ prototype vs equipment → depreciation
 - ❖ Merging of durable costs should be avoided
- ❖ Unrealistically high (or low) project management costs
- ❖ The insufficient level of technical description of some key actions does not allow a proper financial evaluation

CRITERION 2 - “FINANCIAL COHERENCE AND QUALITY”

- ❖ The proposal is not considered to represent value for money
 - ❖ More than xx% of the total budget is foreseen for personnel costs and would allow for more than x full-time positions over the project period of y months, which is not considered reasonable for the size and scope of the actions proposed, and the expected results
 - ❖ Some budget items are overestimated
 - ❖ Daily rates are not in line with national conditions

CRITERION 2 - SOME TIPS...

Ensure that the technical description matches the project's budget

Provide full description of cost items

Classify costs following the LIFE guidelines

Avoid overtly high or low project management costs

Estimate daily rates and costs based on market conditions

CRITERION 3 - “EU ADDED VALUE: EXTENT OF QUALITY OF THE CONTRIBUTION TO THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE PRIORITY AREAS OF THE LIFE SUB-PROGRAMME FOR ENVIRONMENT”

- ❖ The proposal does not clearly demonstrate how updating of EU environmental policy would be achieved.
- ❖ The project does not address whether it would make a contribution to any complementary priority areas under the two LIFE sub-programmes.
- ❖ The project does not fully define its direct environmental impact, including at all steps in the life-cycle of the project.
- ❖ The socio-economic impact has not been discussed in sufficient detail.

CRITERION 3 - “EU ADDED VALUE: EXTENT AND QUALITY OF THE CONTRIBUTION TO THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE PRIORITY AREAS OF THE LIFE SUB-PROGRAMME FOR ENVIRONMENT”

- ❖ It is unclear whether or not the project would achieve clear and substantial impacts.
- ❖ The conservation benefit of the project is not quantified and the information provided is insufficient to enable an assessment of its impact (NAT).

CRITERION 3 - SOME TIPS...

Focus more on
updating EU
environmental
policy

Discuss in detail
any contribution
to complementary
priority areas

Discuss the impact
throughout
the life-cycle
of the project

Address in detail
the project's
socio-economic
impact

Quantify (baseline
and expected
results) the habitats
and species that will
be targeted (NAT)

Carefully complete
the performance
indicators table

CRITERION 4 - “EU ADDED VALUE: SUSTAINABILITY (CONTINUATION, REPLICATION, TRANSFER)”

- ❖ The project does not include concrete actions, or clearly explain how it would be targeting replication during or after its duration.
- ❖ The proposed approach is not considered sufficiently realistic or ambitious for reaching a critical mass and mobilizing wider uptake.
- ❖ Dissemination activities are not sufficiently developed and do not have a clear strategy aimed at stakeholders representing other sectors or regions.

CRITERION 4 - SOME TIPS...

Integrate in the proposal actions aimed at the project's replication. Go beyond communication and networking.

Ensure that the strategy is ambitious enough

Involve well targeted stakeholders

CRITERION 5 - “EU ADDED VALUE: CONTRIBUTION TO THE PROJECT TOPICS”

- ❖ The proposal does not clearly demonstrate or clarify how it can be considered a demonstration or pilot action performed for the first time in the EU.
- ❖ The project is not perceived as a demonstrative or pilot action performed in Europe for the first time.
- ❖ The project does not clearly focus on at least 1 project topic.

CRITERION 5 - SOME TIPS...

Clearly mention
in which aspect
the proposed
project is
innovative

Identify
commonalities with
similar projects and
address the
significance of the
differences

Clearly explain
whether and why the
project fully complies
with 1 or max 2
project topics
selected

CRITERION 6 - “EU ADDED VALUE: MULTIPURPOSE, SYNERGIES, AND INTEGRATION — TRANSNATIONALITY - GREEN PROCUREMENT, UPTAKE”

- ❖ The proposal does not clearly demonstrate or explain how it would develop additional synergies with other Union policies beyond its environmental focus
- ❖ The proposal does not clearly demonstrate or explain how it would include a multi-purpose delivery mechanism to achieve the integration of its actions to the subject policy areas
- ❖ The project would not represent an uptake of results of other funding programmes other than Union research and innovation programmes

CRITERION 6 - “EU ADDED VALUE: MULTIPURPOSE, SYNERGIES, AND INTEGRATION — TRANSNATIONALITY - GREEN PROCUREMENT, UPTAKE”

- ❖ The project does not present a clear mechanism for applying green procurement in the project’s implementation.
- ❖ The proposal would only be implemented in one Member States and it does not involve trans-national cooperation.

CRITERION 6 - SOME TIPS...

Exhibit how the objectives are linked with other EU policies.

Explain in detail how the project's results will be integrated into other policy areas or synergies created

Link the project with previous research (ENV)

Explain in detail the green procurement principles that will be used

Include in the project design results from previous Framework Programmes

If possible, aim for transnational cooperation and justify it in the proposal

CLIMATE ACTION SUB-PROGRAMME



CRITERION 1 - “TECHNICAL COHERENCE AND QUALITY”

- ❖ The preoperational context is described on a global level only and no assessment of the current impacts and changes in the project areas are provided.
- ❖ The proposal lacks appropriate means to assess how progress will be measured against set targets; no qualitative or quantitative indicators.
- ❖ The description of actions is very general.
- ❖ The proposal fails to put sufficient emphasis on the link between environmental threats, problems and related objectives, actions and expected results.
- ❖ The involvement of stakeholders and key audience is not convincingly addressed.

CRITERION 1 - SOME TIPS...

Preoperational
context
properly
described

Results well
quantified and
with relevant
indicators

Describe
actions and
deliverables in
detail

Link the results
against
set targets

Include relevant
stakeholders
in actions

CRITERION 2 - “FINANCIAL COHERENCE AND QUALITY”

Overall value for money concept not satisfactory:

- ❖ Costs insufficiently detailed and not justified
- ❖ Too much focus on personnel costs (desk research)
- ❖ Project management costs too high
- ❖ Costs misallocated (i.e. Equipment budgeted under External Assistance)

CRITERION 2 - SOME TIPS...

Reasonable
and well
presented
budget

Sufficiently
detailed costs
(e.g. external
assistance,
travel etc)

Project
management costs
proportional to
the project's size

Follow the
LIFE guidelines
regarding
cost allocation

Value
for money
principle

CRITERION 3 - “EU ADDED VALUE: EXTENT AND DEGREE OF QUALITY OF THE CONTRIBUTION TO THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE PRIORITY AREAS OF THE LIFE SUB-PROGRAMME FOR CLIMATE ACTION”

- ❖ The proposal fails to identify how precisely it would contribute to the EU policy priorities mentioned
- ❖ The proposal lacks clear activities addressing the enhanced integration of results into national/regional policies
- ❖ Baseline and/or expected results are not quantified
- ❖ EU added value is limited: there is no confirmation in the project that its contribution would be significant and sustainable

CRITERION 3 - SOME TIPS...

Associate the
project with
the EU policy
priorities

Clearly show
how the project
contributes
to those
priorities

Include integration
of the project
results to
national/regional
policies

Quantify baseline
and
expected results

CRITERION 4 - “EU ADDED VALUE: SUSTAINABILITY (CONTINUATION, REPLICATION AND TRANSFER)”

- ❖ The proposal does not include concrete replication or transfer actions during implementation, except the obligatory dissemination and networking activities
- ❖ Stakeholders viewed as dissemination audience and not involved in the project
- ❖ The proposal does not give enough details on the actions required to mobilise a critical mass to guarantee wider uptake
- ❖ The uptake of the approach does not go beyond the Member State of the applicant
- ❖ No evidence that results will be maintained

CRITERION 4 - SOME TIPS...

Mention how the proposed methodology may be applied in regions with similar characteristics or in other sectors

Involve various stakeholders in the project design and actions

Present the strategy for the long term use of the project's results

Most important: include actions during project to ensure results' uptake and replication

CRITERION 5 & 6 - “EU ADDED VALUE – CONTRIBUTION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT

CRITERION 5: 2 BONUS

- ❖ Contribution to the Climate Action policy areas set out in Section 4 (0 or 5)
- ❖ Contribution to the detailed work areas contained in the LIFE Climate Action annual call for proposals (0 or 5)

CRITERION 5 - SOME TIPS...

Provide clear
methodology of
quantifying
the project's
impact

Show clearly
the contribution
to a shift towards
a climate resilient
economy

CRITERION 6 - “EU ADDED VALUE: SYNERGIES (INCL. MULTIPURPOSE AND INTEGRATION/COMPLEMENTARITY, GREEN PROCUREMENT, ECOLABEL AND UPTAKE EU RESEARCH RESULTS)”

- ❖ Synergies, including multipurpose and integration /complementarity , Green public procurement, Ecolabel and uptake EU research results (max 11)
- ❖ Transnational (max 4)

CRITERION 6 - “EU ADDED VALUE: SYNERGIES (INCL. MULTIPURPOSE AND INTEGRATION/COMPLEMENTARITY, GREEN PROCUREMENT, ECOLABEL AND UPTAKE EU RESEARCH RESULTS)”

- ❖ The proposal does not demonstrate or explain how it would be integrating specific environmental objectives into other policy areas and Union policies or create any synergies between them
- ❖ Involvement of the stakeholders not clearly outlined
- ❖ No clear plan is presented to promote the long-term involvement of local actors
- ❖ The project does not represent any uptake of results of other funding programmes other than Union research and innovation programmes

CRITERION 6 - “EU ADDED VALUE: SYNERGIES (INCL. MULTIPURPOSE AND INTEGRATION/COMPLEMENTARITY, GREEN PROCUREMENT, ECOLABEL AND UPTAKE EU RESEARCH RESULTS)”

- ❖ The project does not present a clear mechanism for applying green procurement in the project’s implementation
- ❖ The proposal would only be implemented in Member State of the applicant and it does not involve trans-national cooperation

CRITERION 6 - SOME TIPS...

Mention and elaborate synergies with other EU policies

Involve possible stakeholders in the project actions and in the long-term

Identify other networking opportunities (e.g. EU projects)

Explain in detail the green procurement principles that will be used

Include in the project design results from previous Framework Programmes

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CALL 2018: CLIMATE ACTION WORK AREAS

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MAWP 2018-2020: SECTION 4

'LINKING THE GENERAL OBJECTIVES TO ACTION GRANTS UNDER THE SUB-PROGRAMME FOR CLIMATE ACTION'

- ❖ 3 Climate action priority areas (art.13 of the LIFE Regulation) : CCM, CCA, GIC
- ❖ Climate Action policy areas set out and listed in Section 4
- ❖ Detailed work areas contained in the annual call for proposals

CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

POLICY AREAS IN THE MAWP 2018-2020

- ❖ Member States' and regional / local authorities' efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the sectors not covered in the EU Emissions Trading System and in the Effort Sharing Decision: transport and fuels, agriculture, construction, land use, land-use change and forestry;
- ❖ The development and implementation of greenhouse gas accounting and climate change mitigation in the land use sector;
- ❖ The development of land management practices which have an impact on emissions and removals of emissions;
- ❖ Actions which enhance the functioning of the emissions trading system and which have an impact on energy and greenhouse gas intensive industrial production;
- ❖ Fluorinated gases and ozone – depleting substances;
- ❖ Greenhouse gas monitoring and reporting by authorities.

WORK AREAS FOR THE CALL 2018

CLIMATE MITIGATION

SPECIFIC EU WORK AREAS UNDER POLICY AREAS N° 1, 2 AND 3 :

❖ Land use: new, innovative and cost-efficient landscape and land management techniques, to improve the implementation of mitigation measures

❖ Sustainable Forest Management and cascading use of solid biomass: developing and promoting particular forms of climate smart forestry activities; efficient conversion of solid biomass into long-term carbon storage and sources or renewable energy

WORK AREAS FOR THE CALL 2018

CLIMATE MITIGATION

4. Actions which enhance the functioning of the emissions trading system and which have an impact on energy and greenhouse gas intensive industrial production

In 2018, the **work areas** are related to energy-intensive industries (EIs) and especially (but not exclusively) those industries which may be exposed to a significant risk of carbon leakage.

WORK AREAS FOR THE CALL 2018

CLIMATE MITIGATION

5. Fluorinated gases and ozone – depleting substances, in particular support for implementation of the Montreal Protocol and its Kigali amendment and the EU Regulation on fluorinated greenhouse gases:

- availability of suitable alternatives
- barriers posed by standards

6. Greenhouse gas monitoring and reporting by authorities
There are no work areas for this policy area under 2018 call.

CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

POLICY AREAS IN THE MAWP 2018-2020

1. Urban adaptation and land use planning which limits the impacts of climate change;
2. Resilience of infrastructure, including application of blue-green infrastructure and ecosystem-based approaches to adaptation;
3. Sustainable management of water in drought-prone areas, flood and coastal management;
4. Resilience of agricultural, forestry and tourism sectors, including in island and mountain areas;
5. Support to the EU's Outermost Regions: preparedness for extreme weather events, notably in coastal areas.

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION - CALL 2018

1. Urban adaptation and land use planning which limits the impacts of climate change:

- ❖ developing and implementing adaptation initiatives through the Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy
- ❖ developing and deploying innovative adaptation solutions in urban areas, including in the water, energy and construction sectors and solutions addressing health and wellbeing
- ❖ public-private partnerships to mobilize private sector involvement and finance of adaptation, including through integrating insurance solutions.

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION - CALL 2018

2. Resilience of infrastructure, including application of blue-green infrastructure and ecosystem-based approaches to adaptation

There are no work areas for policy area N^o 2 under 2018 call

3. Sustainable management of water in drought-prone areas, flood and coastal management:

- ❖ cross-border management of floods
- ❖ trans-boundary coastal management, with emphasis on densely populated deltas and coastal cities;

4. Resilience of agricultural, forestry and tourism sectors, including in island and mountain areas:

- ❖ adaptation in forest management to reduce forest fire risk

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE ADAPTATION - CALL 2018

5. Support to the EU's Outermost Regions: preparedness for extreme weather events, notably in coastal areas:

- ❖ development and implementation of risk and vulnerability assessments and adaptation strategies
- ❖ early warning systems for extreme events
- ❖ coastal management to adapt to extreme weather events through ecosystem-based approaches to adaptation
- ❖ implementation of innovative approaches to ensure resilience of energy infrastructure from extreme weather events, specially renewable energy infrastructure.

CLIMATE GOVERNANCE AND INFORMATION

POLICY AREAS IN THE MAWP 2018-2020

1. Development and implementation of national 2030 climate and energy strategies and/or mid-century strategies;
2. Incentivise behavioural change, mainstream emission reduction and resource efficiency actions in sectors;
3. Assessment by authorities of the functioning of the EU ETS;
4. Building capacities, raising awareness among end-users and the equipment distribution chain of fluorinated gases;
5. Climate policy monitoring, assessment and ex-post evaluation;
6. Best practices and awareness raising activities addressing adaptation needs.

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE GOVERNANCE & INFORMATION - CALL 2018

1. Development and implementation of national 2030 climate and energy strategies and/or mid-century strategies:

- ❖ development and use of quantitative modelling tools and the implementation of quantitative projections (concrete actions for the use and implementation of such modelling tools and strategies)

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE GOVERNANCE & INFORMATION - CALL 2018

2. Incentivise behavioural change, mainstream emission reduction and resource efficiency actions in sectors

- ❖ Encouraging climate actions in communities where the land-based potential for climate change mitigation is particularly relevant and improving the understanding of the economic and social benefits of such actions;
- ❖ Enhancing consumers' empowerment to benefit from real-world fuel consumption savings in cars and vans;
- ❖ Driving the integration of climate mitigation and adaptation considerations in the EU financial system (new!)

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE GOVERNANCE & INFORMATION - CALL 2018

3. Assessment by authorities of the functioning of the EU ETS

- ❖ building broader and stronger international networks of experts and to ensure wider dissemination of knowledge on building political support for carbon markets and further technical aspects.

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE GOVERNANCE & INFORMATION - CALL 2018

4. Building capacities, raising awareness among end-users and the equipment distribution chain of fluorinated gases

- ❖ In 2018, special focus on improving the uptake of climate-friendly technologies and working on the development of additional technical specifications for the installation and operation of flammable alternatives, in particular hydrocarbons.

WORK AREAS FOR CLIMATE GOVERNANCE & INFORMATION - CALL 2018

5. Climate policy monitoring, assessment and ex-post evaluation

- ❖ Test and implement solutions building or strengthening the capacity to:
use spatially-explicit geographical data, exploiting existing EU and national data collection systems; monitor and communicate on the loss and degradations of carbon storage; monitor and estimate carbon stocks and fluxes (...)

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6. Best practices and awareness raising activities addressing adaptation needs

- ❖ integration of climate change adaptation into the disaster risk management cycle;
- ❖ focus on understanding the economic and social impacts, costs and effectiveness of adaptation;
- ❖ development and use of adaptation indicators and monitoring systems and the uptake of climate services in adaptation planning.



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THE BASELINE IS INCOMPLETE

- ❖ What is **the problem** you want to address
- ❖ What are the challenges **in your specific context**
- ❖ What has been done so far – **value added of the project**
- ❖ **Baseline data** (surveys, results of tests, etc.) → provide the data source and, when relevant, maps

TARGET GROUP, STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERSHIP NOT APPROPRIATE



- ❖ Who is **affected by the problem**? Who will use the solutions/tools developed?
- ❖ **Local authorities** involved? How? Ensure active participation of key stakeholders
- ❖ **Partnership based on expertise** needed in the project

UNCLEAR LINK BETWEEN ACTIONS AND OBJECTIVES



- ❖ **Are the actions appropriate** to address the problem identified? Use **logical framework**
- ❖ Clearly present **who does what and when**
- ❖ Tools/strategies/methodologies → needed for **concrete implementation**
- ❖ **Transnational?**

SUSTAINABILITY NOT ENSURED



- ❖ Technical sustainability **should be built in the project** ex. scale up pilot, uptake of policy recommendations/tools
- ❖ Responsibilities – who will do the job afterwards?
Who will use the tool/ products developed?
- ❖ Financial sustainability

LOW IMPACT/LITTLE EU ADDED VALUE



- ❖ What are the **changes achieved?**
- ❖ **Value for the EU:** policy update, **new legislation**, changes in **behaviour**, **new product on the market**
- ❖ **Indicators** of impact – n. of people trained is not an impact indicator
- ❖ Negative impact on environment

REPLICATION AND TRANSFER OF RESULTS NOT DEVELOPED



- ❖ Replication in **another area/sector**
- ❖ Only a replication strategy or final workshop is not sufficient
- ❖ Transfer but **adapted to the new context**
- ❖ **Should be built in the project**



CLOSE TO MARKET STRATEGY NOT WELL DEVELOPED

- ❖ What is the **state of art of the solution** /process?
Technical readiness – **no research** (accepted if strictly needed)
- ❖ Quantification of **environmental benefits** - LCA
- ❖ **Market positioning**/ commercialisation can start within the project
- ❖ **Business plan**/ licences



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