

# Life + 2017 - EC DG Environment

## 'Traditional projects'

**Overall Budget:** EUR 373,145,000. (\*)

Of these:

- 290,895,000 for sub-programme Environment
- 82,430,000 for sub-programme for Climate Action

*(\*) includes all types of projects, while this Tech-Sheet only includes the 'Traditional Projects'*

**Submission deadline:**

- Climate Change Mitigation - 07/09/2017 at 16:00
- Climate Change Adaptation - 07/09/2017 at 16:00
- Climate Governance & Information - 07/09/2017 at 16:00
- Environment & Resource Efficiency - 12/09/2017 at 16:00
- Nature & Biodiversity - 14/09/2017 at 16:00
- Environmental Governance & Information – 14/09/2017 at 16:00

### 01. Beneficiaries

Public bodies, private commercial organisations and private non-commercial organisations (including NGOs).

### 02. Abstract

**LIFE is the EU's financial instrument supporting environmental, nature conservation and climate action projects throughout the EU.**

"Traditional" projects cover the following priority areas:

- Under the sub-programme for Environment:
  - LIFE Nature & Biodiversity
  - LIFE Environment & Resource Efficiency
  - LIFE Environmental Governance & Information
- Under the sub-programme for Climate Action:
  - LIFE Climate Change Mitigation
  - LIFE Climate Change Adaptation
  - LIFE Climate Governance and Information

"Traditional" types of projects may be:

- **"pilot projects"** means projects that apply a technique or method that has not been applied or tested before, or elsewhere, and that offer potential environmental or climate advantages compared to current best practice and that can subsequently be applied on a larger scale to similar situations;
- **"demonstration projects"** means projects that put into practice, test, evaluate and disseminate actions, methodologies or approaches that are new or unknown in the specific context of the project, such as the geographical, ecological, socio-economic context, and that could be applied elsewhere in similar circumstances;
- **"best practice projects"** means projects that apply appropriate, cost-effective, state-of-the-art techniques, methods and approaches taking into account the specific context of the project;
- **"Information, awareness and dissemination projects"** means projects aimed at supporting communication, dissemination of information and awareness raising in the fields of the sub-programmes for Environment and Climate Action.

The following table shows which type of project may be submitted to which priority area:

<b>Sub-Programme</b>	<b>Priority Area</b>	<b>Types of Traditional Projects Eligible</b>
Environment	Environment and Resource Efficiency	Demonstration and pilot projects
Environment	Nature and Biodiversity	Best practice, demonstration, and pilot projects
Environment	Environmental Governance and Information	Information, awareness and dissemination projects
Climate Action	Climate Change Mitigation	Best practice, demonstration, and pilot projects
Climate Action	Climate Change Adaptation	Best practice, demonstration, and pilot projects
Climate Action	Climate Governance and Information	Information, awareness and dissemination projects

Co-financing rates under this call: co-financing **rate is 60%**, except in cases where a project focuses on concrete conservation actions for priority species or habitat, where cofinancing can, **under certain conditions, increase to 75%**.

Typical EU contribution per project: 1 to 2 million

Geographical scale: Shall be implemented on a local, regional, multiregional, national or transnational scale.

Project period (average): 1 to 5 years

Web link (all information): <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/funding/life2017/index.htm>

#### 04. Eligible expenditure

- Direct personnel costs
- Travel and subsistence costs
- External assistance costs (limited to 35% of the total budget unless a higher level is justified in the proposal)
- Durable goods
- Infrastructure costs
- Equipment costs
- Prototype costs
- Costs for consumables
- Other costs
- Overheads

#### 04. Evaluation criteria

Award Criteria	Minimum pass score*	Maximum score
1. Technical coherence and quality	10	20
2. Financial coherence and quality	10	20
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	10	20
4. Contribution to the project topics	-	10
5. EU added value: multipurpose, synergies, and integration	7	15
6. EU added value: replicability and transferability	5	10
7. EU added value: transnational, green procurement, uptake	-	5
<b>Overall (pass) scores</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>100</b>