

# LIFE programme, New European Bauhaus and Ukraine



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#### **LIFE 2021-2027**: total budget of €5.4 billion

#### **Objectives**

To contribute to the shift to a circular, energy-efficient, renewable energy based- and climate resilient economy

To protect and improve the quality of the environment

To halt and reverse biodiversity loss

**Sub-programmes** 



Nature and biodiversity 2.143 M€



Circular economy and quality of life 1.345 M€



Climate mitigation and adaptation
947 M€



Clean energy transition 997 M€

#### **Actions**

#### **Projects**

- Develop and demonstrate ecoinnovative techniques and approaches
- Help to implement and enforce plans and strategies, in compliance with EU legislation.
- Promote best practices and behavioral changes
- Catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful solutions

#### On legislation and policies

- Support their development, monitoring and enforcement
- Help Member States to improve their implementation

#### Project beneficiaries are:

- 1/3 private enterprises
- 1/3 NGOs and civil society organisations
- 1/3 public authorities

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### Who can apply?

Entities eligible are public or private legal entities established in:

- the EU or an overseas country or territory linked to it;
- a third country associated to the LIFE programme (Iceland, Ukraine, Moldova); or
- a legal entity created under Union law or any international organisation.

Natural persons are not eligible to apply.

Legal entities established in a third country which is not associated to the LIFE Programme may exceptionally be eligible to participate where this is necessary for the achievement of the objectives of a given action to ensure the effectiveness of interventions carried out in the Union. Those legal entities shall in principle bear the cost of their participation.





### Advice for legal entities from third countires

- Consider teaming up with applicants from EU-27
  - ✓ you can learn from their experience
  - ✓ if your project covers more than one country, the impact (and therefore the score during evaluation) can be higher.
- Use LIFE <u>virtual networking tool</u> to find project partners.
  - Publish your organisational focus and your collaboration wishes
  - Send meeting request
  - Meet virtually if the meeting is accepted





## Projects addressing Legislative and Policy priorities (PLP)

- Determined on annual basis, following a consultation with Member States
- Focused on current policy priorities one grant per topic

#### This year:

- 2 topics focus specifically on Ukraine
- 1 topic focusses on the Emerald network in Ukraine and Moldova
- 1 topic focusses on cooperation with New European Bauhaus Academy in the wood sector





Project for a holistic orientation towards environmental new infrastructure in Ukrainian Cities – waste

- Can apply: a consortium including the municipal authorities of one or more Ukrainian small or medium-sized city and one or more EU cities
- Objective: contribute to the implementation of the waste management framework, including:
  - 1) development of relevant urban planning and permitting actions;
  - 2) identification and design of innovative solutions i.e. for waste recovery or for the management of hazardous waste;
  - 3) promotion of innovative solutions for the design and (re)construction of waste management facilities.



Project for a holistic orientation towards environmental new infrastructure in Ukrainian Cities – water

- Can apply: a consortium including the municipal authorities of one or more Ukrainian small or medium-sized city and one or more EU cities
- Objective: contribute to the implementation of the water management framework, including:
  - 1) the development of relevant urban planning approaches and permitting actions;
  - 2) the identification and design of innovative solutions to improve access to safe drinking water and wastewater treatment;
  - 3) the promotion of innovative solutions for the design and reconstruction of water and wastewater infrastructures and treatment facilities.



Supporting the implementation of the Birds and Habitats Directive and Natura 2000 in Ukraine and Moldova, based on their current Emerald network

- Can apply: relevant stakeholders and authorities in Ukraine and Moldova
- **Objective:** to support Ukraine and Moldova establishment and management of the Emerald Network of protected sites, through support in different areas:
  - 1) Legal: support for a preliminary study to define baselines, propose a roadmap and/or legal recommendations
  - Technical: support the mapping sites and the identification of site-specific conservation objectives and measures
  - 3) Operational: support for assessments, for the preparation of action plans and guidelines





#### New European Bauhaus – LIFE in the building and construction Sector

Can apply: EU legal entities from EU and associated countries

We expect especially members of the New European Bauhaus community, such as universities, training providers, associations, public-private consortia.

- **Objective:** to enhance skills in the construction eco-system for sustainable construction; with special focus on the use of bio-based materials and circularity, to contribute to the NEB Academy, through activities such as:
  - 1) Testing of pilot projects and promoting and support technology transfer
  - 2) Providing capacity building, support visits for exchange of ideas
  - Supporting specific training of technicians, land planners and others for the development of New European Bauhaus specific projects.



- Funding rate: 90% of the eligible budget
- Maximum EU contribution: EUR 1 million
- Deadlines

LIFE 2023-PLP-Bauhaus-Phoenix-Emerald - Timetable and deadlines	
Call opening	18 April 2023
Deadline for submission	7 September 2023 17:00 CET (Brussels)
Information on evaluation results	October 2023
Grant Agreement signature	November 202





## Standard action projects (SAPs) on New European Bauhaus

#### 'Traditional' LIFE projects aimed to:

- ✓ develop, demonstrate and promote innovative techniques, methods and approaches;
- ✓ contribute to the knowledge base and to the application of best practices;
- ✓ improving governance at all levels, in particular through enhancing capacities of public and private actors and the involvement of civil society;
- ✓ catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful technical and policy related solutions

#### Bottom-up approach with priority topics

- ✓ Proposals focussed on a holistic reduction of environmental impacts of new buildings;
- ✓ Proposals on circular districts involving creation of circular value chains to boost urban economies whilst producing urban and territorial regeneration.
- ✓ Proposals for maintaining or restoring biodiversity that contribute to the implementation of the New European Bauhaus initiative.

Synergies for supporting this initiative under LIFE Circular economy and quality of life and LIFE Nature and Biodiversity, including for showcasing the potential of the Bauhaus initiative in third countries associated to the LIFE Programme, will be welcomed.





## Standard Action Projects

#### **New European Bauhaus**

- Funding rate: max. 60% of the eligible budget
- No maximum EU contribution
- Deadlines

Circular Economy, resources from Waste, Air, Water, Soil, Noise, Chemicals, Bauhaus - Timetable and deadlines	
Call opening	18 April 2023
Deadline for submission	6 September 2023 17:00 CET (Brussels)
Information on evaluation results	February 2024
Grant Agreement signature	May/June 2024





## Help in Preparing Applications

- Read the call documents and FAQs on the Funding and Tenders Portal
- Your National Contact Point can provide advice and suggestions on your proposal
- You might be inspired by ongoing projects (see
   <a href="https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/life/publicWebsite/search">https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/life/publicWebsite/search</a>) but beware that requirements may have changed
- For clarifications on the call documents, send an email to <u>CINEA-LIFE-ENQUIRIES@ec.europa.eu</u> your question and answer may be posted in the FAQ list for transparency





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