

New calls are available at EuroAccess!

The European Commission has decided to launch a €1 billion call for research and innovation projects that respond to the climate crisis and help protect Europe's unique ecosystems and biodiversity. The Horizon 2020-funded [European Green Deal Call](#) will spur Europe's recovery from the coronavirus crisis by turning green challenges into innovation opportunities.

This Green Deal Call differs in important aspects from previous [Horizon 2020 calls](#). Given the urgency of the challenges it addresses, it aims for clear, discernible results in the short to medium-term, but with a perspective of long-term change. There are fewer, but more targeted, larger and visible actions, with a focus on rapid scalability, dissemination and uptake.

The projects funded under this call are expected to deliver results with tangible benefits in ten areas:

Eight thematic areas reflecting the key work streams of the European Green Deal:

1. Increasing climate ambition
2. Clean, affordable and secure energy
3. Industry for a clean and circular economy
4. Energy and resource efficient buildings
5. Sustainable and smart mobility
6. Farm to fork
7. Biodiversity and ecosystems
8. Zero-pollution, toxic-free environments

And two horizontal areas - strengthening knowledge and empowering citizens, which offer a longer-term perspective in achieving the transformations set out in the European Green Deal.

The deadline for submissions is 26 January 2021, with selected projects expected to start in autumn 2021.

Following calls, which could be interesting for you, are launched:

[LC-GD-10-2-2020: Behavioural, social and cultural change for the Green Deal](#)

[LC-GD-10-3-2020: Enabling citizens to act on climate change and environmental protection through education, citizen science, observation initiatives, and civic engagement](#)

[LC-GD-1-2-2020: Towards climate-neutral and socially innovative cities](#)

[LC-GD-1-3-2020: Climate-resilient innovation packages for EU regions](#)

[LC-GD-2-1-2020: Innovative land-based and offshore renewable energy technologies and their integration into the energy system](#)

[LC-GD-2-2-2020: Develop and demonstrate a 100 MW electrolyser upscaling the link between renewables and industrial applications](#)

[LC-GD-2-3-2020: Accelerating the green transition and energy access partnership with Africa](#)

[LC-GD-3-1-2020: Closing the industrial carbon cycle to combat climate change](#)

[LC-GD-3-2-2020: Demonstration of systemic solutions for the territorial deployment of the circular economy](#)

[LC-GD-4-1-2020: Building and renovating in an energy and resource efficient way](#)

[LC-GD-5-1-2020: Green airports and ports as multimodal hubs for sustainable and smart mobility](#)

[LC-GD-6-1-2020: Testing and demonstrating systemic innovations for sustainable food from farm to fork](#)

[LC-GD-7-1-2020: Restoring biodiversity and ecosystem services](#)

[LC-GD-8-1-2020: Innovative, systemic zero-pollution solutions to protect health, environment and natural resources from persistent and mobile chemicals](#)

[LC-GD-8-2-2020: Fostering regulatory science to address chemical and pharmaceutical mixtures: from science to evidence-based policies](#)

[LC-GD-9-1-2020: European Research Infrastructures' capacities and services to address European Green Deal challenges](#)

[LC-GD-9-2-2020: Developing end-user products and services for all stakeholders and citizens supporting climate adaptation and mitigation](#)

[LC-GD-9-3-2020: Transparent & Accessible Seas and Oceans: Towards a Digital Twin of the Ocean](#)

[LC-GD-10-1-2020: European capacities for citizen deliberation and participation for the Green Deal](#)

[LC-GD-1-1-2020: Preventing and fighting extreme wildfires with the integration and demonstration of innovative means](#)

Information from the Macro-Regions

11th Annual Forum of EUSBSR - www.annualforum2020.eu

The EUSBSR Annual Forum will be held online on 20th October 2020.

Please register here: <https://bit.ly/2RwTXnX>. The deadline for registration is 18 October 2020. After you register a personal link to the Annual Forum will be sent to you a day before the event on 19 October 2020.

You can now find information about the speakers and moderators from our programme. The Forum will be moderated by Finnish journalist and media professional **Peter Nyman**, Chief Market Manager at COWI **Bettina Rafaelsen** and Director of The Baltic Institute of Finland **Esa Kokkonen**. In the opening session, Mayor of Turku **Minna Arve** and Director General of CBSS **Grzegorz Poznanski** will welcome you to the Forum. The former President of Finland **Tarja Halonen** holds a keynote speech.

The program is structured in three parts. The first panel will focus on BSR cooperation and what it means to cooperate effectively even when the pandemic limited the ability to meet face-to-face.

The panel features for example Finnish Minister of the Environment and Climate **Krista Mikkonen**, Mayor of Gdansk **Aleksandra Dulciewicz**, Acting Director **Christos Economou**, Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission, **Madeleine Granvik** from Baltic University Programme, CEO **Tiina Tuurnala** from Finnish Shipowners' Association and **Jonas Faergeman**, Chair of #ReGeneration2030 Steering Committee.

The second discussion will focus on the emerging areas of cooperation. Minister of Economic Affairs and Employment of Finland **Mika Lintilä** will start the discussion. The panelists include for example General Secretary of BSSSC **Krystyna Wroblewska**, Executive Secretary of HELCOM **Rüdiger Stempel**,

Director of The Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being **Ülla-Karin Nurm**, Director of EU and International Affairs **Christiane Mißbeck-Winberg** from Confederation of Danish Employers and **Aline Mayr**, Representative of the Baltic Sea Youth Platform.

The third panel focuses on the future of the EUSBSR and outlines the main policies that will shape the Strategy in the next 10 years. For example, the panel features Ambassador for Baltic Sea Affairs at MFA Finland **Helena Tuuri**, Head of European Affairs at Eastern Norway County Network **Ann Irene Sæternes**, CEO of Nordic West Office **Risto E. J. Penttilä**, Chair of Interreg Baltic Sea Region Monitoring Committee of Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development **Iruma Kravale** and Member of the European Parliament **Delara Burkhardt**.

Closing words will be offered by **Pekka Haavisto**, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

Register now to workshops!

Before the Forum, a series of online workshops are organised in cooperation between the different Policy Areas of the EUSBSR and other relevant stakeholders. **Please remember to sign up in advance.**

Registrations are open right now and the workshops are already being

held: <http://www.annualforum2020.eu/en/11th-annual-forum-eusbsr-20-october-2020-online/programme/workshops>

9th Annual Forum of EUSDR - eusdr2020.hr/en/9th-annual-forum/

The 9th EUSDR Annual Forum, jointly organised by the Republic of Croatia, the European Commission and the Danube Transnational Programme with the support of the Danube Strategy Point, will take place on 22nd October 2020. **Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, the 9th EUSDR Annual Forum will be held as a virtual event.**

Before its official opening, the 7th Danube Participation Day – Youth Participation in the Danube Region event will be organised on 21st October 2020 as a side event.

The Danube Participation Day 2020 will present the first draft of the Guidance Paper for Youth Participation in the Danube Region. Against this background, participants will have the opportunity to exchange on possible ways forward in order to boost cooperation and participation of young people and youth initiatives. In doing so, the Danube Participation Day wants to provide a platform to raise awareness of valuable contributions from existing youth initiatives in the region and taking initial steps forward to acknowledge and involve youth in the Danube Region.

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic the Danube Participation Day will be a virtual event. In order to participate, your registration is obligatory. [Please use the registration form you can find here.](#)

The draft program is accessible below and will be kept updated at the [website](#) with most recent news as well.

We are at a crucial moment of the EU's history. Never has cooperation been so crucial, because never before have challenges been so global. The experiences gained during the previous period will be helpful in moving forward even more united.

At this moment, the main issue which the participating states of the Danube Region Strategy are faced with are the following: minimization of the impact of COVID-19 on healthcare systems and citizens' health along with the simultaneous restoration of economic and social activities.

There will be also a great and unique opportunity for promotion of deeper and wider cooperation between EUSDR EU-member states and candidate/potential candidate countries participating in the EUSDR with special focus on the fields of how to put the EUSDR Action Plan into practice.

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