

The LIFE Programme: Opportunities for the EUSDR



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The LIFE programme

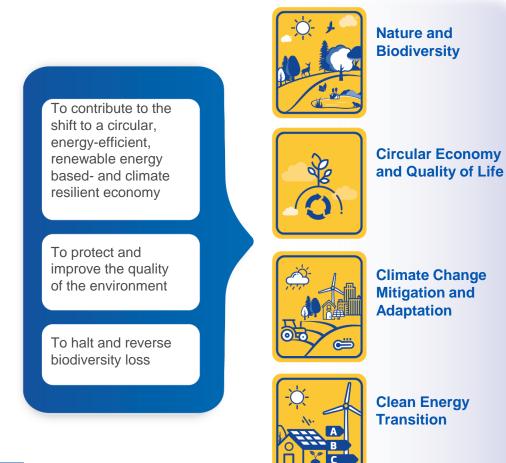
- The LIFE programme as a whole constitutes a 100% contribution to the objectives and targets of the European Green Deal.
- The only EU programme dedicated exclusively to the environment, nature conservation and climate action.
- LIFE is over 30 years 'young'
- For the years 2021-2027, a budget of 5.43 billion €.
- The multiannual work programme for 2021-2024 was adopted in July 2021.
- Call 2023 budget: 611 million €







The LIFE Programme 2021-2027



Develop and demonstrate innovative techniques and approaches to solving environmental challenges Help to implement plans and strategies, required by EU legislation. Promote best practices and behavioral changes

Projects

• Catalyse the large-scale deployment of successful solutions

Impact

- Support the development, monitoring and implementation of EU environment & climate policy
- Provide models to copy and upscale

Project beneficiaries are:

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





How LIFE has previously supported LIFE projects in the Danube region? A few examples:

- → Nature and Biodiversity projects (contributing to PA 6)
- River restoration / Improvement of ecological connectivity along the Danube and tributaries (e.g. *LIFE Blue Belt Danube-Inn, LIFE Network Danube+*)
- Restoration/conservation of key habitats such as riparian/alluvial forests, floodplains, grasslands, wetlands etc. (e.g. *Dynamic LIFE Lines Danube, LIFE Riparian Forests, LIFE Danube floodplains, LIFE Auenwildnis Wachau, LIFE Flusserlebnis Isar, LIFE WILDisland* etc,)
- Protection of birds, fishes, amphibians and other priority species etc. (e.g. *LIFE For Danube Sturgeons, LIFE Metamorphosis, LIFE Danube Free Sky, Living Space for Danube salmon habitat* etc,)





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- → Circular Economy and Quality of Life (contributing to PA4 and PA5)
- Innovative and ecological approach for dam restoration (e.g. LIFE INADAR)
- Integrated SOlutions for BEd Load management (LIFE ISOBEL)
- Reconnecting town and river (LIFE CityRiver)





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- → LIFE Operating Grants (contributing to PA4 and PA5)
- Support for the development of the 3rd Danube river basin management and 2nd Danube flood risk management plan update 2021 (LIFE DRBMP DFRMP 2021)
- → LIFE Integrated Projects (now: SIP) (contributing to PA4 and PA5)
- Integrated River Solutions in Austria (LIFE IP IRIS AUSTRIA)
- Implementation of the river basin management plan in selected river subbasins in Slovakia (LIFE Living Rivers)





Funding opportunities – Overview Calls 2023

Call	Possible link to EUSDR PAs	Indicative enveloppe (M€)	Opening date	Closing date
Standard Action Projects (SAP) – Nature and Biodiversity	PA 6	148,4	18/04/23	06/09/23
SAP – Circular economy and quality of life	PA 4, PA 5, PA 6	81	18/04/23	06/09/23
SAP – Climate Mitigation and Adpatation	PA 6	66,3	18/04/23	21/09/23
CSA – Clean Energy Transition	PA 2	99	11/05/23	16/11/23

Please read the different Call documents for detailed information about the scope of each Call / subprogramme: Link to Call pages





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SNaP – Strategic Nature Projects	PA 6		No call in 2023	
SIP - Circular economy and quality of life	PA 4, PA 5, PA 6	52,8	Phase 1 (CN): 18/04/23 Phase 2 (FP): November 2023	Phase 1 (CN): 05/09/23 Phase 2 (FP): 05/03/24
SIP – Climate Mitigation and Adaptation	PA 6	30		
PLP – Policy and Legislative Priorities Projects	PA 4, PA 5, PA 6	14,9	18/04/23	07/09/23
TA-PP		0,9	18/04/23	07/09/23
TA-R		6,5	18/04/23	27/07/23





Thank you

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Useful links:

- LIFE Public database (all LIFE projects supported in the last 30 years)
- Link to Call pages
- 2023 Call info days



