Assessing direct and indirect drivers of biodiversity decline of invertebrates

Horizon Europe

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Code
HORIZON-NATURE-2027-02-01

Scope
International - Europe

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FINANCIAL DETAILS

Support type
Non-Refundable

Maximum Funding Rate
100%

Budget
15M€

Eligible Project Value
Up to 7.5M€

Bonuses & Majorations

- Effective contribution and involvement of SSH disciplines and experts
- International cooperation encouraged
- Participation in common networking and joint activities
- Data produced must be FAIR and accessible via EOSC

The support is provided as a non-refundable lump sum grant under Horizon Europe Research and Innovation Actions. Each project will receive a fixed contribution of 7.500.000 EUR, with a total topic budget of 15.000.000 EUR and two expected grants. Eligible costs are covered as defined in the Horizon Europe lump sum decision and related guidance.

DATES & DEADLINES

Opening Date
October 13, 2026

Deadline
January 14, 2027 at 05:00 PM (71 days left)

OBJECTIVES

This call aims to enhance the understanding and management of the direct and indirect drivers of biodiversity decline in invertebrates across European terrestrial, freshwater, and marine ecosystems. The focus is on both insects (Area A) and molluscs and crustaceans (Area B), with the goal of supporting stakeholders involved in biodiversity conservation and restoration. The call seeks to improve the implementation of EU biodiversity policies, particularly the Nature Restoration Regulation, and to equip primary producers and other stakeholders with strategic decision-making tools that support biodiversity and ecosystem services. Proposals must involve relevant stakeholders and ensure the effective contribution of social sciences and humanities (SSH) disciplines. International cooperation is encouraged. Eligible applicants include consortia of legal entities from EU Member States and associated countries, as defined in the Horizon Europe General Annexes.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

- Personnel Costs
- Travel costs
- Equipment costs
- Other goods, works and services costs
- Subcontracting
- Indirect Costs

ELIGIBILITY

Application Mode
Consortium / Copromotion

Company Typologies

- Micro
- SME
- Small Mid-Cap
- Mid-Cap
- Large
- Private non-profit entities
- Public entities

Action Types

- Assessment and ranking of biodiversity decline drivers in invertebrates
- Spatial and temporal analysis of biodiversity trends
- Development of decision-support tools for stakeholders
- Integration of anticipatory and predictive ecosystem modelling

- Creation of early-warning systems and stress-testing approaches
- Replication methods for biodiversity driver analysis
- Stakeholder engagement and co-creation of solutions
- Data management ensuring FAIR principles
- Collaboration and networking with other funded projects
- Common dissemination and communication strategies
- Workshops, trainings, and thematic working groups
- Cooperation with the EC Knowledge Centre for Biodiversity
- Research and Innovation Action

EU PROGRAMME DETAILS

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Cluster
Horizontal Activities

Destination
Transformative change towards a nature-positive economy and society

Submission Mode
single-stage

EU Contribution
€7,500,000.00 per project

Expected Projects
2

Funding Rate Rule
Up to 100% of eligible costs for Research and Innovation Actions (RIA)

OFFICIAL LINKS

Official Regulation
https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/HORIZON-NATURE-2027-02-01

Grantavia page
https://grantavia.com/en/incentives/assessing-direct-and-indirect-drivers-of-biodiversity-decline-of-invertebrates

Schedule a meeting
https://calendly.com/filipa-silva-epsa/reuniao