

Circular Economy and Quality of Life - Standard Action Projects (SAP)

LIFE

CODE	SCOPE
LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV	International
LOCATION	STATUS
Europe	Open
PROGRAM	CURATED BY
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Financial Details

SUPPORT TYPE	MAXIMUM FUNDING RATE
Non-Refundable	60%
BUDGET	ELIGIBLE PROJECT VALUE
79M€	2M€ - 10M€
MAXIMUM DURATION	
120 months	

Dates & Deadlines

PUBLICATION DATE	OPENING DATE
April 21, 2026	April 21, 2026

Application Phases

- Fase única: September 22, 2026 at 03:00 PM (74 days left)

Objectives

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This call aims to support innovative projects within the LIFE Programme to facilitate the transition towards a sustainable, circular, energy-efficient, and climate-resilient economy. The objective is to contribute to a toxic-free environment and protect, restore, and improve environmental quality in line with the European Green Deal. Eligible applicants include public, non-governmental, and private entities from any sector within eligible European countries. Priority themes include Circular Economy and Waste, Zero Pollution and Sustainable Management of Natural Resources, and Environmental Governance. Projects must address specific topics such as recovery of resources from waste, implementation of circular business models, reduction of hazardous substances, reduction of single-use products, water resilience, air quality improvements, and sustainable management of natural resources.

Funding

Selected projects are eligible for co-financing rates up to 60% of eligible costs. The minimum and maximum budget amounts can range from 2.000.000€ to 10.000.000€ and will depend on the project scope and relevance to the specific themes. Proposals should be innovative, cost-effective, and scalable for EU-wide replication, demonstrating clear environmental impact within the project period.

Eligible Expenses

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

Eligibility

Eligible Sectors

- Energy & Environment
- Industry
- Agro-Food
- Mobility & Transport
- Construction
- Blue Economy
- ICT & Software

Company Sizes

- Micro
- Sme
- Small Mid-Cap
- Mid-Cap
- Large
- Non-business entities of the R&I system (ENESII)
- Private non-profit entities
- Public entities

Application Mode

- Individual or Consortium

Action Types

- Demonstration of innovative techniques and methods
- Circular economy and waste
- Zero pollution solutions
- Environmental resource management
- Air and water quality improvement
- Waste prevention and recycling
- Hazardous substances treatment
- Sustainable urban mobility
- Integrated water management
- Circular business models

EU Programme Details

CALL ID

LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV

SUBMISSION MODE

Single-stage

EXPECTED PROJECTS

31

FUNDING RATE RULE

Maximum 60% of eligible costs

Official Links

Official Regulation:

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/LIFE-2026-SAP-ENV-ENVIRONMENT?order=DESC&pageNumber=1&pageSize=50&sortBy=startDate&isExactMatch=true&status=31094501,31094502,31094503&frameworkProgramme=43252405>

Grantavia page: <https://grantavia.com/en/incentives/circular-economy-and-quality-of-life-standard-action-projects-sap>

Schedule a meeting: <https://calendly.com/ines-carreira-fi-group/reuniao>