

Living Labs for co-creating solutions to reduce eutrophication from agriculture

Horizon Europe

● PENDING

Code	Scope
HORIZON-MISS-2027-05-SOIL-02-two-stage	International
Location	Curator
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FINANCIAL DETAILS

Support type	Maximum Funding Rate
Non-Refundable	100%
Budget	
24M€	

DATES & DEADLINES

Publication Date	Opening Date
October 12, 2026	February 4, 2027
Fase 1	Fase 2
April 8, 2027 at 05:00 PM GMT+2	September 14, 2027 at 05:00 PM GMT+2

DESCRIPTION

Objectives

This incentive aims to support the establishment of living labs dedicated to improving soil health and mitigating eutrophication arising from agriculture, contributing to the Mission Soil objective of setting up 100 living labs and lighthouses by 2030. Eligible applicants are consortia from at least three different EU Member States or Associated Countries, including researchers, SMEs, industry representatives, public administrations, land managers, civil society, and relevant stakeholders across the agri-food, environment, and water sectors. The initiative addresses the goals of the Common Agricultural Policy, European Green Deal, EU Biodiversity Strategy, EU Soil Strategy, Soil Monitoring and Resilience Directive, Water Framework Directive, and further relevant EU frameworks.

Funding

Funding is provided under a Horizon Europe Research and Innovation Action (RIA) within the framework of the EU Mission "A Soil Deal for Europe". The topic has an indicative budget of €24 million, with the

European Commission expecting to fund two projects. The expected EU contribution is around €12 million per project, although proposals requesting different amounts may be considered where appropriately justified.

The topic follows a two-stage submission procedure, with a first-stage deadline of 8 April 2027 and a full proposal deadline of 14 September 2027.

As a Horizon Europe Research and Innovation Action, projects are eligible for 100% funding of eligible costs, in accordance with Horizon Europe funding rules. The funding is intended to support large-scale research and innovation activities addressing soil health challenges, combining scientific excellence with practical implementation and stakeholder engagement.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

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

BONUSES & MAJORATIONS

- Involvement of a wider range of actors and local stakeholders
- Integration of social sciences, humanities, and arts
- Long-term sustainability strategies

ELIGIBILITY

Application Mode

Consortium / Copromotion

Eligible Sectors

- Agro-Food
- Energy & Environment

Company Typologies

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

- Public entities

Action Types

- Living labs for soil health
- Mitigation of eutrophication
- Water quality improvement
- Participatory and transdisciplinary research
- Demonstration activities
- Capacity building
- Research and Innovation Actions

EU PROGRAMME DETAILS

Call ID	Cluster
HORIZON-MISS-2027-05-SOIL-02-two-stage	Mission
Destination	Submission Mode
A Soil Deal for Europe	Two-stage
EU Contribution	Expected Projects
Around €12,000,000.00 per project	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-MISS-2027-05-SOIL-02-two-stage?order=DESC&pageNumber=1&pageSize=50&sortBy=startDate&keywords=HORIZON-MISS-2027-05-SOIL-02-two-stage&isExactMatch=true&status=31094501,31094502,31094503&frameworkProgramme=43108390>

Grantavia page

<https://grantavia.com/en/incentives/living-labs-for-co-creating-solutions-to-reduce-eutrophication-from-agriculture>

Schedule a meeting

<https://calendly.com/sandra-cardoso-epsa/reuniao>