



# 2019 BIODIVCLIM JOINT CALL

# Biodiversity and Climate change

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# How does an ERA-Net work?

Funding Organisation #1  
Funding Organisation #2  
Funding Organisation #3  
...  
Funding Organisation #N



## One joint Call

With one single joint (international) evaluation

- One ranking list
- Funding of the best top projects



NO NATIONAL PRE- OR POST-  
SELECTION

# Participating countries

30 Partners  
from 23  
countries  
For 19.3M€

+4M€ from  
the European  
Commission

Total funding  
for the Call:  
**23,3M€**

Country	Organisation
Austria	FWF
Belgium	BelSPO
Belgium	F.R.S.-FNRS
Belgium	FWO
Brazil	FAPESP
Bulgaria	BNSF
<b>Czech Republic</b>	<b>TACR</b>
Denmark	IFD
Estonia	ETAG
Finland	AKA
France	ANR
France	GUA-REG
France	REU-REG
Germany	DFG
Germany	DLR-PT
Ireland	EPA
Israel	MoEP
Lithuania	RCL
Norway	RCN
Poland	NCN
Portugal	FCT
Portugal	FRCT
Romania	UEFISCDI
Slovakia	SAS
South Africa	DST
Spain	AEI
Spain	ACIISI / GOBCAN
Sweden	Formas
Switzerland	SNSF
Turkey	TAGEM

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## Priorities of the call “Biodiversity and climate change”

- This call aims to support **transnational research projects addressing issues at the interface between biodiversity and climate change** across a range of spatial and temporal scales in order to advance knowledge and support evidence-based and reflected decision-making
  
- **All environments** eligible
  
- **4 non-exclusive themes:**
  - Consequences of climate change on biodiversity and nature’s contributions to people
  - Climate-biodiversity feedback processes
  - Potential of nature-based solutions for mitigating and adapting to climate change
  - Synergies and trade-offs between policies on biodiversity, climate and other relevant sectors, and the role of agents of change

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## TYPES OF RESEARCH FUNDED

### □ Average size of collaborative research projects:

- **Medium size projects**
- **1.2M€** (on average)
- **5 Partners** (on average)

### □ Evaluation criteria:

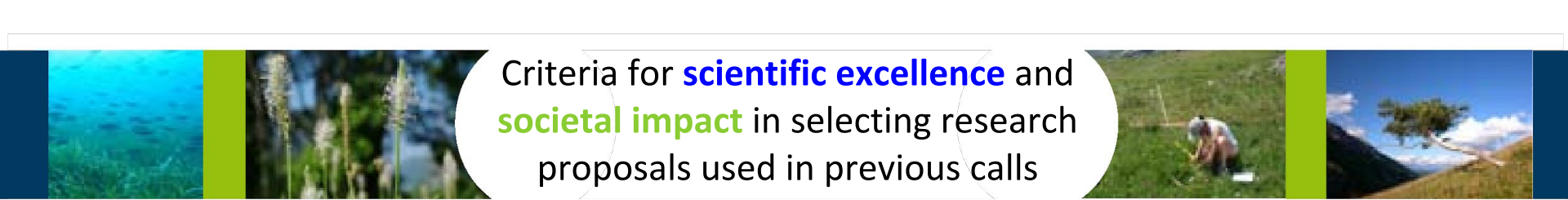
#### STEP 1

- **Fit to the scope of the call**
- **Novelty of the research**
- **Transnational added value**

#### STEP 2:

- **Academic Excellence**
- **Quality and efficiency of the implementation**
- **Expected Impact (incl. stakeholder engagement)**





Criteria for **scientific excellence** and **societal impact** in selecting research proposals used in previous calls

- **Criteria for evaluation of scientific excellence**

Scientific quality of the proposed research

Novelty / Originality and innovation

Clarity of the hypothesis, theories and/or research questions

Quality and suitability of the consortium

Level of inter/multi/trans-disciplinarity

**Transnational added value**

Feasibility and risk

Level of integration and collaboration

Relation to other projects

Suitability of budget requirements

Quality of project governance

- **Approach to stakeholder engagement:**

- Reasons for undertaking or not
- Identification of appropriate, and the desired outcomes
- Evidence of support/commitment to engage
- Methods/activities proposed for engagement and collaborative learning, planning and resources
- Evidence of skills to engage
- Knowledge transfer methods and plans

- **Policy and/or societal relevance and importance of the research for solving pressing issues**

- Clear statement of the policy/societal application
- Clearly identified policy makers who are end users of the research results and ways to engage them.
- Arrangements for knowledge transfer.

- **Transnational added value**

There should be clear evidence of added value either directly within the countries involved in the research, or indirect value accrued as a result of, e.g. learning from models applied to countries outside of the countries involved.

## TYPES OF PROJECTS FUNDED

### Projects are expected to:

- Be **scientifically excellent**
- Be **multi-disciplinary**, where relevant
- Demonstrate a **transnational added value**
- **Engage stakeholders**

Consult the **BiodivERsA Stakeholder engagement Handbook**:  
<http://www.biodiversa.org/stakeholderengagement>

- **Demonstrate political / societal relevance**

Consult the **BiodivERsA Guide for policy relevance of research projects**  
<http://www.biodiversa.org/1543>



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## Call process

- **STEP 1: Mandatory submission of pre-proposals through the online platform (EPSS)**

**!! Applicants cannot enter the procedure at a later stage !!**

- Eligibility check
- First evaluation by an independent evaluation panel according to the following criteria:
  - fit to the scope of the call*
  - novelty of the research*
  - transnational added value*

- **STEP 2: Applicants invited to step 2 have to submit a full proposal via the EPSS**

- Evaluation by external reviewers and an independent evaluation panel according to the following criteria:
  - Excellence*
  - Quality and efficiency of the implementation*
  - Impact*

**INDICATIVE APPLICATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE LAUNCH OF THE CALL**  
**Regularly check: [www.biodiversa.org/2019-call](http://www.biodiversa.org/2019-call)**



## GENERAL TIMING

- Official launch of the call: **1 September 2019**
- Deadline to submit pre-proposals: **5 November 2019**
- Deadline to submit full proposals: **10 April 2020**



## General eligibility criteria

### Consortium composition:

- **Proposals must involve teams from at least three different countries participating in the call** (including minimum 2 from EU Member States or Associated Countries) and must be supported by at least three different Participating Organisations.
- A particular rule apply for Outermost Regions and Overseas Countries and Territories

### Project duration: 3 years

### Other general eligibility rules:

- The main applicant is employed by an eligible organisation in one of the countries participating to the call
- Proposals must be written in English.
- The scope or scale of the proposed research should exceed a single country.



## Funding organisations' financial rules and eligibility criteria

**Each National / regional Funding Organisation funds its own national / regional team**



**!!** Applicants thus have to comply with their funding organisations' eligibility criteria and rules (e.g. eligible budget items)

Applicants are strongly advised to approach their respective Funding organisation Contact Point to make sure they respect all the eligibility criteria and rules **!!**

□ Funding Organisations' rules and list of Funding Organisations' Contact Point will be available online at the launch of the call

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The banner features a central white circle containing the text 'BiodivERsA Partner Search Tool'. This circle is flanked by two smaller white circles. The background of the banner is a collage of nature-related images: a blue sky with clouds, a green field with a person, a close-up of white flowers, and a landscape with a tree and mountains.

## BiodivERsA Partner Search Tool

**Looking for a Partner for a Project you would like to submit?  
OR  
Looking for a Project to join?**

## Use the **BiodivERsA Partner Search Tool**

You simply have to fill in a Partner / Project Search form on the online platform that will soon be available online

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- ❖ Your form will be visible on the platform and you may be contacted by other applicants
- ❖ Have a look at the forms submitted through a **user-friendly search function**: search for partners or projects to join on the platform according to different criteria: country, discipline, keywords





# Thank you for your attention!

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