



2019-2020 BIODIVCLIM JOINT CALL on

« Biodiversity and Climate change »

INFORMATION WEBINAR

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<https://www.biodiversa.org/2019-call>





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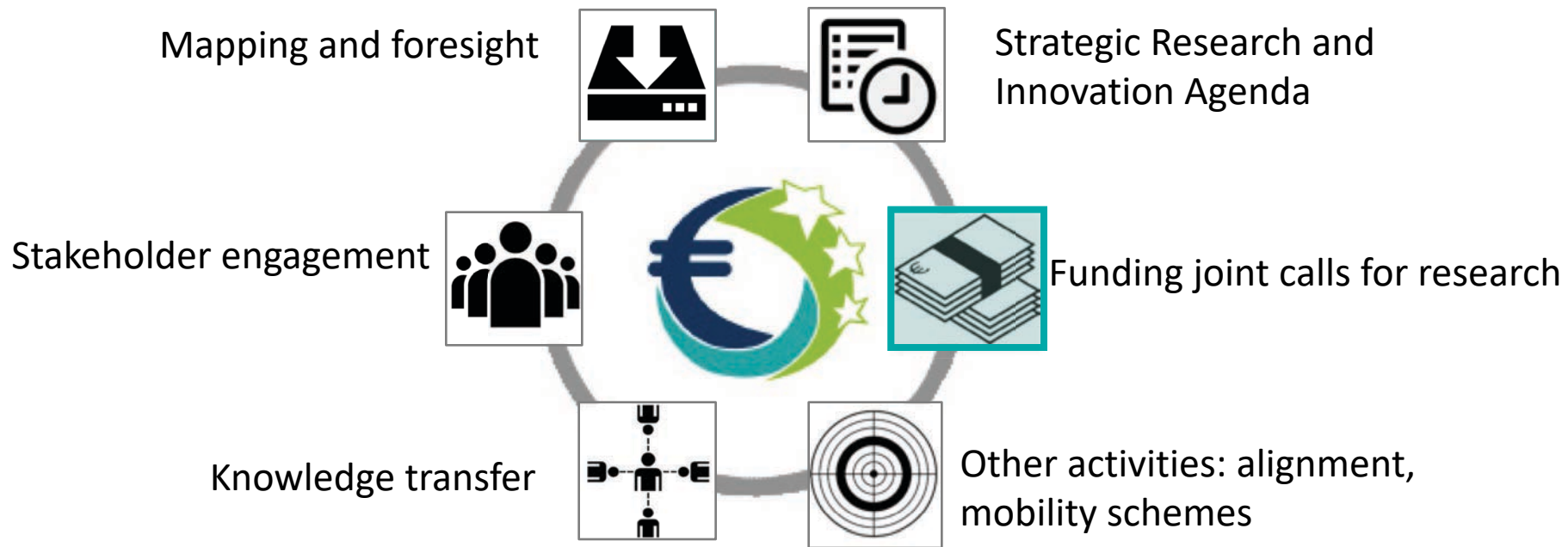
**Coordinating and supporting trans-national
research on biodiversity, ecosystem services and
Nature-based Solutions**

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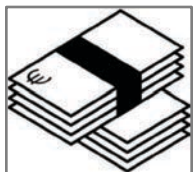
BiodivERsA: a network with a biodiversity focus and an increasing international dimension



Main functions of BiodivERsA



BiodivERsA research funding opportunities



Launching Joint Calls for transnational medium-sized projects

9
Calls launched

103

projects funded

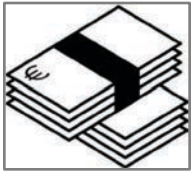
238€*
(total costs)

Incl.
150M€*
(in cash)

raised by BiodivERsA Partners and
the EC

** incl. tentative figures for the 2019-2020 Call*

BiodivERsA research funding opportunities



Lauching Joint Calls for medium-sized projects

72

applications submitted
on average per call

18.4%

Application success
rate

1.4M€

of funding on average
per project

5

Different countries per
project on average

2. FUNCTIONING OF AN ERA-NET COFUND CALL

<https://www.biodiversa.org/2019-call>

How does an ERA-Net COFUND call work?

Funding Organisation #1
Funding Organisation #2
Funding Organisation #3

...

Funding Organisation #N



Co-funding from the
European Commission (EC)*



*Pending signature of the
Grant Agreement with EC



One joint Call

With one single joint (international) evaluation

- One ranking list
- Funding of the best top projects



NO NATIONAL PRE- OR POST- SELECTION

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1. TOPIC & SCIENTIFIC CONTENT OF THE CALL



CALL TOPIC & CONTENT

- 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.

Projects addressing only biodiversity issues or only climate change issues will not be considered within the scope of the call

- **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

➤ CONSULT THE **ANNOUNCEMENT OF OPPORTUNITY** FOR MORE INFO:
<http://www.biodiversa.org/2019-call>

2. TYPES OF PROJECTS FUNDED & EXPECTATIONS TOWARDS APPLICANTS



TYPES OF RESEARCH FUNDED

➤ Average size of collaborative research projects:

- Medium size projects
- 1.4M€ (on average)
- 5 Partners from different countries (on average)

NB: For the 2019-2020 Call, we will fund **classic collaborative research projects**, producing new primary data & generating new knowledge & and no synthesis research projects

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2018-2019 Call on biodiversity & Health

➤ Evaluation criteria:

STEP 1: pre-proposal stage

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

STEP 2: full-proposal stage

- Scientific **Excellence**
- **Quality and efficiency of the implementation**
- **Impact** (incl. expected policy and/or societal impact and approach to stakeholder engagement)

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 on policy relevance of research projects
<http://www.biodiversa.org/1543>



3. CALL PROCESS & ELIGIBILITY RULES



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**

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

- **CONSULT THE INDICATIVE PRE-PROPOSAL and FULL-PROPOSAL APPLICATION FORMS:**
www.biodiversa.org/2019-call



GENERAL CALL SCHEDULE

**!! Do not wait
the last minute
to submit !!**

June 2019:	Pre-announcement of the call
2 September 2019:	Official launch of the call
5 November 2019, 16:00 CET (local time in Brussels):	Deadline for submitting pre-proposal
November 2020	First eligibility check completed
Late January / early February 2020	1 st Evaluation Committee (EvC) meeting > Results of the 1 st step communicated mid-February to the applicants
10 April 2020, 16:00 CEST (local time in Brussels):	Deadline for submitting full proposals
April 2020	Second eligibility check completed
Late June/early July 2020:	Final EvC meeting > Ranked list of proposals established by the EvC
Mid-Late September 2020:	Recommendation for funding projects by the CSC
1 December 2020	Earliest possible start of funded projects
1 April 2021:	Latest possible start of funded projects



General eligibility criteria (1/3)

Consortium composition:

- Scientific teams will be invited to form transnational research consortia with teams from **minimum 3 countries participating in the call**
 - In addition, part of the eligible Partners, **at least two must be from different EU Member States or Associated Countries** participating in the call.
- A **particular rule apply for Outermost Regions and Overseas Countries and Territories:**
 - Provided the latter criterion is met (Partners from at least two different EU Member States or Associated Countries participating in the call), for proposals including Partners from outermost regions and overseas countries and territories participating in the call, **if two outermost regions and overseas countries and territories are from the same country, these are counted as two participating countries** (for the criteria: at least three different countries). Where a proposal includes three or more Partners from outermost regions and overseas countries and territories from the same country, these will be counted as two participating countries (for the criteria: at least three different countries).

a consortium including teams from France
mainland, Guadeloupe Region and Germany

Eligible

- Partners from 3 different countries &
2 different EU MS and AC

a consortium including teams from France
mainland, Guadeloupe Region and Reunion Region

Not eligible

- Partners from only 2 different countries

Participating counties

34 funding
organisations
from 26
countries

Total funding
for the Call:
26M€

➤ CONSULT THE UPDATED LIST OF
COUNTRIES INVOLVED ONLINE:

<https://www.biodiversa.org/1645>

Country	Funding Organisation	Indicative budget (LOW)	Indicative budget (HIGH)
<i>Austria</i>	<i>FWF</i>	<i>Pending</i>	<i>Pending</i>
Belgium	BeSPO (*)	500,000€	500,000€
Belgium	F.R.S.-FNRS (*)	200,000€	200,000€
Belgium	FWO (*)	700,000€	700,000€
Brazil (Sao Paulo)	FAPESP (*)	400,000€	400,000€
Brazil	CONFAP (*)	1,220,000	1,220,000
Bulgaria	BNSF (*)	300,000€	300,000€
Czech Republic	TACR (*)	1,640,000€	1,640,000€
Denmark	IFD (*)	1,000,000€	1,000,000€
Estonia	ETAG (*)	100,000€	100,000€
Finland	AKA (*)	850,000€	850,000€
France	ANR (*)	2,000,000€	2,000,000€
France	Guadeloupe Region (*)	100,000€	100,000€
<i>France</i>	<i>Reunion Region (*)</i>	<i>Pending</i>	<i>Pending</i>
<i>Germany</i>	<i>DFG</i>	<i>Pending</i>	<i>Pending</i>
<i>Germany</i>	<i>DLR-PT</i>	<i>Pending</i>	<i>Pending</i>
Greece	GSRT (*)	750,000€	750,000€
Ireland	EPA (*)	650,000€	650,000€
Israel	MOEP (*)	100,000€	100,000€
Latvia	VIAA (*)	400,000€	400,000€
Lithuania	RCL (*)	100,000€	100,000€
Norway	RCN (*)	1,000,000€	1,500,000€
Poland	NCN	500,000€	500,000€
<i>Portugal</i>	<i>FCT (*)</i>	<i>Pending</i>	<i>Pending</i>
Portugal	FRCT (*)	100,000€	100,000€
Romania	UEFISCDI (*)	500,000€	500,000€
Slovakia	SAS (*)	240,000€	240,000€
South Africa	DST (*)	150,000€	150,000€
Spain	AEI (*)	700,000€	700,000€
Spain	GOBCAN (*)	200,000€	200,000€
Sweden	Formas (*)	2,500,000€	2,500,000€
Switzerland	SNSF	CHF 2,600,000	CHF 2,600,000
Tunisia	MHESR (*)	200,000€	200,000€
Turkey	TAGEM (*)	200,000€	200,000€

(*) The funding organisation has defined maximum allowed budget per partner and/or project.

Please consult the Funding Organisations' rules for more details.



General eligibility criteria (2/3)

Project duration: 3 years maximum

Other general eligibility rules:

- The project coordinator is eligible and 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.



General eligibility criteria (3/3)

Changes allowed between pre & full proposals

!! The information given in the pre-proposals is binding!!

- **No changes regarding the proposals' content** will be allowed by the call steering committee (CSC) between the pre-proposals and full proposals.
- Regarding the administrative details, a limited number of changes may be allowed by the funding organisations contact points (FCP) and CSC, provided they are in line with the general rules of the call and the rules of the Funding Organisations:
 - **Minor change of budget can be allowed by the relevant Funding Organisation.** The Funding Organisation can decide according to its own rules whether it needs a justification for it. If the national/regional Funding Organisation agrees to the budget change, the project coordinator has to inform the Call Secretariat about the change with the Funding Organisation Contact Point (FCP) in copy.
 - **No changes of Partners are allowed** between the pre-proposals and full proposal stages, except if explicitly requested by the Funding Organisations or in case of force majeure. In both cases, a detailed justification of the changes will have to be communicated to the Call Secretariat and CSC by the project coordinator as soon as possible.

WHAT IS CONSIDERED AS A CHANGE?

- **addition, removal or replacement of a Partner**
- If a researcher in charge (person) remains the same but changes the institutions, this won't be considered as a change, provided the institution fulfils eligibility criteria. Individual cases will be examined.



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 **!!**

- Consult the updated Funding Organisations' rules and Funding Organisations' Contact Points here:

<https://www.biodiversa.org/1645>



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

Link: <https://proposals.etag.ee/biodivclim/partner-search>

- ❖ 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

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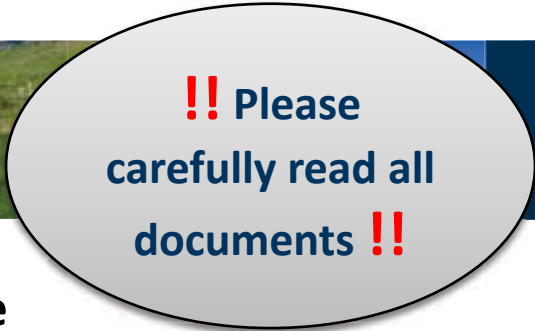
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General information



**!! Please
carefully read all
documents !!**

Lots of resources available online on the BiodivERsA website

CALL DOCUMENTS

<http://www.biodiversa.org/2019-call>

- Consult the **complete call documents** (including the scientific call text, more information on procedures, evaluation criteria, etc.)
- Consult the **pre-proposal application form** (.doc version) - for information only, submission of pre-proposals has to be done online only, via the EPSS.
- Consult the **full proposal application form** (.doc version) - for information only, submission of full proposals has to be done online only, via the EPSS.

<http://www.biodiversa.org/1645>

> **The Funding Organisations' rules and Funding Organisations' Contact Point (FCP) are
now available [here](#)** <

<http://www.biodiversa.org/1646>

Check our **FAQ !**

All the best with the preparation of your application!



Thank you for your participation!

Find out more about the call:

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National/Regional Contact Points: <http://www.biodiversa.org/1645>

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