

GREEN TRANSITION, CLIMATE AND BLUE GROWTH

Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership (SBEP) — 4th Joint Transnational Call

Call	SBEP 2026 Joint Transnational Call — Building a sustainable and innovative Blue Economy: mastering digital opportunities and fostering resilience.
Programme	Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership , a co-funded European Partnership under Horizon Europe Cluster 6.
Deadline	Pre-proposals: 16 November 2026 , 15:00 CET. Full proposals: 14 June 2027, 15:00 CEST.
Priorities	Blue economy transition and strategic autonomy Digital and ecosystem-based management of sea uses Sustainable blue bioresources Coastal community resilience.
Objective	The Sustainable Blue Economy Partnership, a European partnership under the Horizon Europe Programme, aims to foster a climate-neutral, sustainable, and innovative blue economy in Europe by supporting research, innovation, and collaboration across marine and maritime sectors. This fourth call funds transnational research and innovation projects , each addressing one of four priority areas:



Maturity	- Transitioning blue economy sectors for sustainability and strategic autonomy - Managing sea uses through digital and ecosystem-based approaches - Sustainable blue bioresources in marine production and harvesting - Resilience in coastal communities, infrastructure and businesses Research and innovation across the four priority areas; each project must involve at least one quadruple-helix stakeholder. The proposals are recommended to consider a minimum of two European sea basins and to assess the project proposal's impact on various basins. Proposals can target European regional seas such as Adriatic Sea, Aegean Sea, Arctic, Barents Sea, Celtic Sea, etc. however the recommended sea basins to address are: the Baltic Sea, the Black Sea, the Mediterranean Sea, the North Sea and the Atlantic Ocean.
Co-financing	Set by each national or regional funding organisation — partners are funded under their own national rules, not by a single EU rate
Consortium	At least 3 participating countries and funding requested from at least 3 different national funding organisations; at least 2 independent legal entities from 2 different EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries. No single country may take more than 60% of project funding. 33 funding organisations from 28 countries participate, Bulgaria among them.
Duration	36 months, with aligned start and end dates across the consortium
Additional Info:	A general information webinar will be organised on 29 September to answer potential applicants questions regarding the call.
Link	https://www.bluepartnership.eu/funding-opportunities



Horizon Europe — Cluster 6: Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment

Call	HORIZON-CL6-2026-04-GOVERNANCE-01 — Additional activities for the European Partnership of Agriculture of Data
Programme	Horizon Europe, Cluster 6 — Programme Co-fund Action (COFUND)
Deadline	26 November 2026 , 17:00 Brussels time (single stage)
Budget	EUR 23 million in 2026 plus EUR 37 million in 2027; around EUR 60 million to a s
Priorities	Agriculture of Data partnership Data-driven farming Digital transition of agriculture
Objective	The objective of this action is to continue to provide support to the European partnership of Agriculture of Data identified in the Horizon Europe Strategic Plan 2021-2024 first implemented under the topic HORIZON-CL6-2024-GOVERNANCE-02-01: European Partnership of Agriculture of Data, and in particular to fund additional activities (which may also be undertaken by additional partners) in view of its intended scope and duration, and in accordance with Article 24(2) of the Horizon Europe Regulation.
Maturity	Co-fund action — a multi-year partnership programme rather than a single research project
Co-financing	Co-funding rate depends on the type of activities included – for the additional activities covered by this action the funding rate is 30% of the eligible costs.

¹ This action is intended to be implemented in the form of an amendment of the grant agreement concluded pursuant to topic HORIZON-CL6-2024-GOVERNANCE-02-01.

Consortium	A single partnership consortium of national funders and research actors; standard Horizon Europe eligibility applies
Duration	Multi-annual partnership spanning 2026–2027 funding and beyond
Link	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/HORIZON-CL6-2026-04-GOVERNANCE-01

Horizon Europe — New European Bauhaus Facility

Call	HORIZON-NEB-2026-01-PARTICIPATION-03 — Understanding inhabitants' experiences of neighbourhoods to support their health and well-being
Programme	Horizon Europe, New European Bauhaus Facility — Research and Innovation Action (RIA)
Deadline	1 December 2026 , 17:00 Brussels time
Budget	EUR 15 million for the topic; around EUR 5 million per project; 3 projects expected
Priorities	Neighbourhood quality Health and wellbeing Green and nature-positive transition
Objective	This topic will further investigate how inhabitants experience their neighbourhoods, the impact of these experiences on their health and well-being, and how these experiences can be improved through NEB in the context of the green transition.



Proposals are expected to address all of the following:

- Obtain a deep understanding of inhabitants' sensory and emotional experience of their neighbourhood and the impact of these experiences on their health and well-being. Proposals are expected to:
 - Involve in the research a diversity of people and groups, including those in a vulnerable situation and/or marginalised (such as women, children, youth, older adults, people with physical and psychological functional variations and their families/carers, LGTBQA+ people, migrants and refugees).
 - Assess the extent to which experiences and impacts vary across sociodemographic groups as well as in neighbourhoods with different characteristics. For example, in relation to the geography (e.g. urban, peri-urban, rural, coastal, insular areas); the quality of the built environment, including its accessibility and perceived beauty; social, economic and demographic characteristics (e.g. population density, social mixing, social infrastructure[1], property census); reputation; access to natural, cultural and artistic spaces and offers.
 - Provide consistent and comparable data across different project sites and populations, making use of, among others, the NEB self-assessment method [6].
 - Validate the findings in at least three neighbourhoods (in urban, peri-urban and rural areas) located in at least three different Member States and/or Associated Countries.
- Obtain Based on the research evidence, provide recommendations to local authorities and the artistic, cultural and heritage sector in those neighbourhoods on how to:
 - Improve inhabitants' experiences and sense of belonging of/in their neighbourhoods.
 - Support the health and well-being of neighbourhood inhabitants.

Maturity	- Guide the green transition of neighbourhoods, including their nature-positive transformation and climate resilience. Research and Innovation Action — evidence generation with local authorities Proposals are expected to follow a participatory and transdisciplinary approach through the integration of different actors and disciplines - a strong fit for municipalities working with universities and civil society organizations
Co-financing	100% of eligible costs, eligible costs will take the form of a lump sum
Consortium	Standard Horizon Europe rules, plus: validation in at least 3 neighbourhoods in different Member States or Associated Countries, using the NEB self-assessment method for comparable data
Duration	Varies and must be defined by the applicants/consortia within their proposals based on the specific scope of the topic
Link	https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/HORIZON-NEB-2026-01-PARTICIPATION-03