

## Priorities and measures

Project proposals are evaluated according to their relevance to the selected Priority and Measure.

### 1 Promotion of socio-economic development and enhancement of territories

- 1.1 Support to innovation and research in the process of local development of the Mediterranean Sea Basin countries
- 1.2 Strengthening economic clusters creating synergies among potentials of the Mediterranean Sea Basin countries
- 1.3 Strengthening the national strategies of territorial planning by integrating the different levels, and promotion of balanced and sustainable socio-economic development

### 2 Promotion of environmental sustainability at the basin level

- 2.1 Prevention and reduction of risk factors for the environment and enhancement of natural common heritage
- 2.2 Promotion of renewable energies use and improvement of energy efficiency contributing to addressing, among other challenges, climate change

### 3 Promotion of better conditions and modalities for ensuring the mobility of persons, goods and capitals\*

- 3.1 Support to people flows among territories as a means of cultural, social and economic enrichment
- 3.2 Improvement of conditions and modalities of circulation of goods and capitals among the territories

\* The participation of actors coming from the eligible territories of Egypt and Tunisia to projects related to Priority 3 is not envisaged.

### 4 Promotion of cultural dialogue and local governance

- 4.1 Support to mobility, exchanges, training and professionalism of young people
- 4.2 Support to the artistic creativity in all its expressions to encourage dialogue among communities
- 4.3 Improvement of governance processes at local level

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## The call in brief

The Mediterranean area faces today common challenges that need joint solutions. In the framework of the various initiatives implemented under the European Neighbourhood Policy, the Mediterranean Sea Basin Programme promotes cooperation as a contribution to economic, social, environmental and cultural development at cross-border level.

Two calls were already launched by the Programme, both of them having drawn substantial interest from Mediterranean actors. The first call for standard projects, published in 2009, attracted 600 proposals. The 37 selected projects are currently being implemented in fields such as promotion of new forms of tourism, innovative water management at urban level or reinforcement of cooperation in the audiovisual sector. The 2011 call for strategic projects also proved to be a success as highlighted by the 300 applications received. The 50 preselected proposals address topics like waste recycling, solar energy or sustainable tourism.

In the context of the renewed approach for the European Neighbourhood Policy, the Programme is now launching the second call for standard projects, open to the 4 Priorities and 10 related Measures. The budget available for this last opportunity under the 2007-2013 period is € 56.5 million.

## Second call for standard projects

## Addressing new challenges in the Mediterranean



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## Rules for participation

Interested actors are invited to consider the following rules:

- applicants and partners must be established in the eligible regions of the 14 participating countries;
- project duration shall be comprised between 18 and 24 months;
- an organisation can participate only once as Applicant within the same Priority;
- an Applicant may not be awarded more than 2 grants under this call.

The administrative and technical evaluation criteria can be consulted in the "Guidelines for Applicants".



## Budget

Resources available for this call are € 56.5 million. Project total eligible costs shall be comprised between € 500.000 and € 2 million.

For a maximum of 50% of the budget allocated to Priority 4, the minimum ceiling is reduced to € 200.000.

Grants finance up to 90% of the total eligible costs while the remaining balance (at least 10%) has to be provided as co-financing at project level.

To encourage a real co-ownership of the Programme, at least 50% of the project budget shall be dedicated to activities implemented in Mediterranean Partner Countries. Moreover, a same organisation cannot manage more than 35% of the project total budget.

Any further information on the call budget breakdown by Priorities and eligible costs can be found in the Guidelines for Applicants.



## Building a partnership

The cross-border dimension of projects is the specific feature of the Mediterranean Sea Basin Programme, representing a key driver for its effectiveness.

For standard projects, partnerships shall represent a minimum of three countries and shall include at least one EU Mediterranean Country and one Mediterranean Partner Country.

Larger partnerships involving more participating countries are encouraged.

**Looking for partners or ideas?**

Check the "project ideas" on the Programme website

## Presenting a project

The procedure to apply for a grant consists of two stages:

1. submission of a Concept note
2. presentation of a Full application form (**only for preselected Concept notes**).

It is important to note that the following elements cannot be modified from the Concept note to the Full application form:

- selected Priority and Measure
- project specific objective
- expected results
- composition of the partnership



## Selection criteria

**Stage 1**

**Concept notes** will be assessed on the basis of the following criteria:

- Relevance
- Design

**Stage 2**

**Full application forms** will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Financial and operational capacity of the partnership
- Effectiveness and feasibility
- Sustainability
- Budget and cost-effectiveness