

# Second Call for Proposals for Standard Projects:

## Overview of the main features

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# Presentation overview



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# The call in brief



Programme resources dedicated to standard projects: € 107 million  
(€ 50.5 million already allocated to finance 37 projects under the first call)

Total ENPI funds available for this call: € 56.5 million

## Project budget

- Minimum € 500.000 (threshold reduced to € 200.000 for up to 50% of the budget allocated to Priority 4)
- Maximum € 2.000.0000

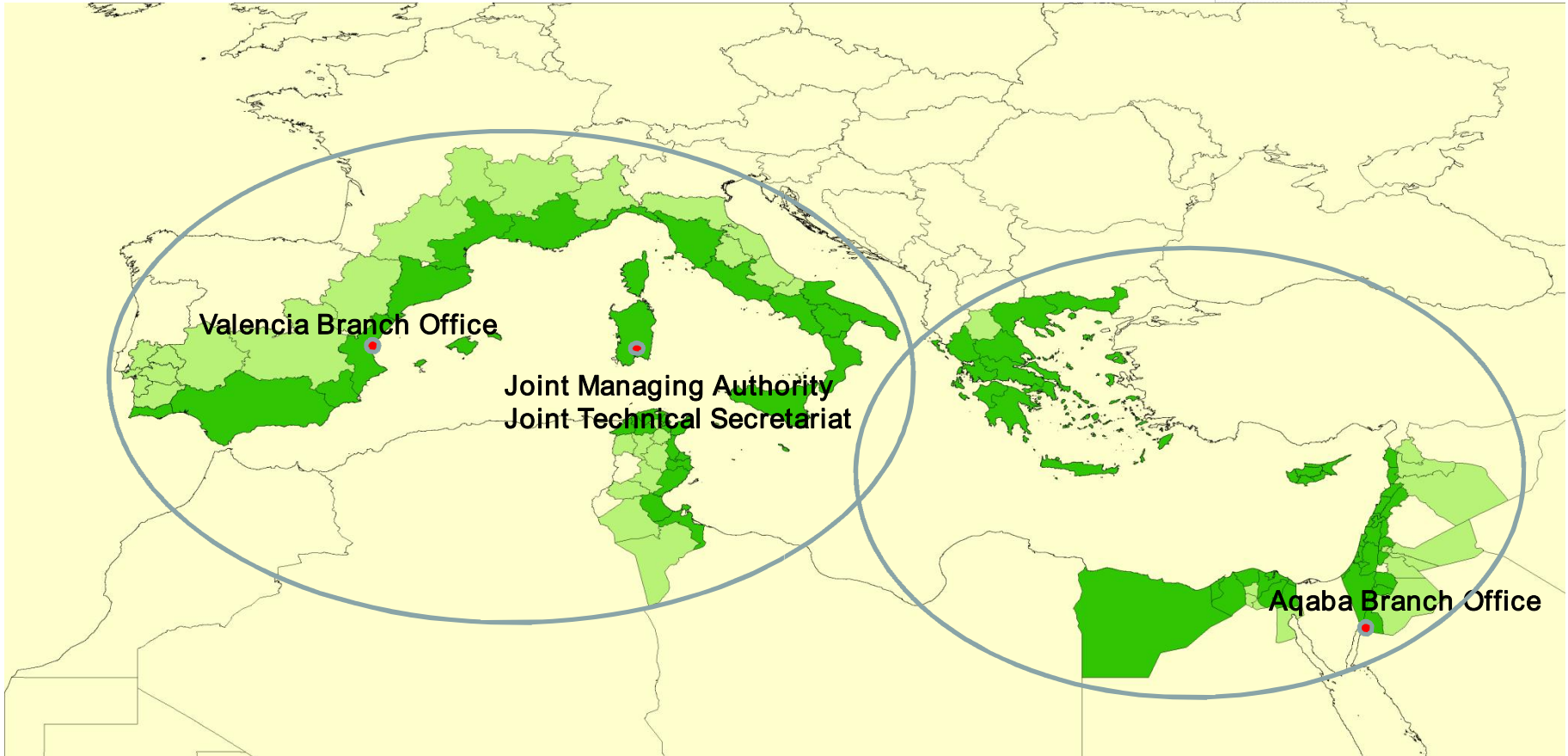
Programme contribution up to 90% of the project total eligible costs. At least 10% as co-financing at project level.

Participation criteria: at least 3 countries (one from EU Mediterranean Countries and one from Mediterranean Partner Countries)

Call open to the 4 Programme Priorities and 10 Measures

PRIORITY	MEASURES	BUDGET
<b>1. Promotion of socio-economic development and enhancement of territories</b>	<b>1.1</b> Support to innovation and research in the process of local development of the Mediterranean Sea Basin countries	<b>€ 5.795.331</b> <b>10,5 %</b>
	<b>1.2</b> Strengthening economic clusters creating synergies among potentials of the Mediterranean Sea Basin countries	
	<b>1.3</b> Strengthening the national strategies of territorial planning by integrating the different levels, and promotion of balanced and sustainable socio-economic development	
<b>2. Promotion of environmental sustainability at the basin level</b>	<b>2.1</b> Prevention and reduction of risk factors for the environment and enhancement of natural common heritage	<b>€ 8.053.979</b> <b>14,5 %</b>
	<b>2.2</b> Promotion of renewable energy use and improvement of energy efficiency contributing to addressing, among other challenges, climate change	
<b>3. Promotion of better conditions and modalities for ensuring the mobility of persons, goods and capitals</b> <i>(neither Egypt nor Tunisia)</i>	<b>3.1</b> Support to people flows among territories as a means of cultural, social and economic enrichment	<b>€ 14.092.847</b> <b>25 %</b>
	<b>3.2</b> Improvement of conditions and modalities of circulation of goods and capitals among the territories	
<b>4. Promotion of cultural dialogue and local governance</b>	<b>4.1</b> Support to mobility, exchanges, training and professionalism of young people	<b>€ 28.564.979</b> <b>50 %</b>
	<b>4.2</b> Support to the artistic creativity in all its expressions to encourage dialogue among communities	
	<b>4.3</b> Improvement of the governance processes at local level	

# Cooperation area: eligible territories and managing structures



 Eligible regions

 Adjoining regions

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# Eligible territories



## EU Mediterranean Countries

### Cyprus

France: Corse, Languedoc-Roussillon, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur

Greece: Anatoliki Makedonia - Thraki, Kentriki Makedonia, Thessalia, Ipeiros, Ionia Nisia, Dytiki Ellada, Sterea Ellada, Peloponnisos, Attiki, Voreio Aigaio, Notio Aigaio, Kriti

Italy: Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Lazio, Liguria, Puglia, Sardegna, Sicilia, Toscana

### Malta

Portugal: Algarve

Spain: Andalucía, Cataluña, Comunidad Valenciana, Murcia, Islas Baleares, Ceuta, Melilla

## Mediterranean Partner Countries

Egypt: Marsa Matruh, Al Iskandanyah, Al Buhayrah, Kafr ash Shaykh, Ad Daqahliyah, Dumyat, Ash, Sharquiyah, Al Isma'iliyah, Bur Sa'id, Shamal Sina'

### Israel

Jordan: Irbid, Al-Balga, Madaba, Al-Karak, Al-Trafila, Al-Aqaba

### Lebanon

### Palestinian Authority

Syria: Latakia, Tartous *(The participation of Syrian State actors in the call is not allowed for the time being. Only non-State actors are admitted).*

Tunisia : Médenine, Gabès, Sfax, Mahdia, Monastir, Sousse, Nabeul, Ben Arous, Tunis, Ariana, Bizerte, Béja, Jendouba

# Potential beneficiaries (art. 14 ENPI Regulation)



## Examples

- Ministries
- National authorities
- Local and regional public administrations
- Universities
- Research centres
- Organisations representing the civil society and socio-professional interests
- NGOs
- Companies

# Project coordination and management



The Applicant has to be **directly responsible** for the preparation and management of the project, not acting as an intermediary. It shall appoint as minimum requirement all the three following human resources:

- **a project coordinator:** responsible for its overall organisation and successful implementation. This person should be able to cope with the technical, administrative, financial nature of a project and its related communication issues.
- **a financial manager:** responsible for the accounts, financial reporting, the internal handling of the ENPI funds and national co-financing as well as for the eligibility of expenditure incurred.
- **a communication manager:** responsible for the communication strategy and dissemination activities of the project.



# Participation of Applicants and Partners: eligibility criteria



- **Geographical eligibility of Applicants:** Applicants must be established in eligible regions (except for Ministries, National Public Administrations, International Organisations) and cannot come from adjoining regions.
- **Geographical eligibility of partners:** same geographical eligibility criteria.
- **Partners from adjoining regions** admitted provided that the project budget dedicated to their participation is not higher than 20%.
- **Private companies from EU can participate** provided that they comply with the provisions on state aid (*de minimis* applies).

# Other organisations that can participate in a project



- **Associates:** may play a real role in the project but may not receive funding from the grant with the exception of per diem or travel costs. Associates do not have to meet the geographical eligibility criteria. **Role of associate is not compatible with that of subcontractor.** Associates cannot participate in the calls for tenders launched by the project.
- **Subcontractors:** the grant beneficiaries have the possibility to award contracts to subcontractors through the procurements rules set by Annex IV to the Grant Contract. Examples of subcontractors: company for the development of website, printing firm for the production of information material.
- **Organisations being awarded sub-grants:** financial support may be awarded to third parties for the achievement of the project objectives. Maximum amount: € 10.000 per third party and € 100.000 of the total project budget.

# Project eligibility rules (1)



**Non-commercial nature:** a grant must be restricted to the amount required to balance income and expenditure for the project. It cannot give rise to profit.

Projects concerning **only** or **mainly** the following activities are **ineligible**:

- individual sponsorships for participation in workshops, seminars, conferences, congresses;
- individual scholarships for studies or training courses;
- pure academic and research oriented activities;
- studies;
- one-off conferences: conferences can only be funded if they form part of a wider range of activities to be implemented in the life-time of the project.

Projects **already financed** by other European Union initiatives or other donors will be considered **ineligible**.

## Project eligibility rules (2)



- Planned duration of a project between **18** and **24** months.
- Application shall address **only one Measure** within the selected Priority.
- The same organisation can submit **only one proposal as Applicant under each Priority** (therefore maximum 4 projects - one for each Priority - can be presented by the same institution).
- No limitation if the same organisation participates as partner in different projects.
- “Organisation” is defined in footnote n. 11 of the Guidelines for Applicants:

*“Any legal entity indicated under article 14 of the Regulation (EC) No. 1638/2006 (ENPI Regulation) and according to the national legislations of Mediterranean Partner Countries, which is provided with juridical, economic, technical and human capacities committed by the legal person as a whole.....”* i.e. despite functional independence of their departments, **Ministries, regional or local public administrations, Universities, companies with the same registration number etc. count as the same organisation.**

## Project eligibility rules (3)



- **At least 50% of the total eligible budget costs of the project shall be dedicated to activities implemented in the Mediterranean Partner Countries.**

Two options available:

foresee to allocate at least the 50% of the budget costs to the partners from the Mediterranean Partner Countries;

OR

difference up to the 50% shall be justified by activities implemented by EU Applicant or partner/s and/or International Organisations in the Mediterranean Partner Countries.

- **No more than 35% of the budget shall be allocated to one partner**
- **Suggested maximum number of partners to be included: 6 + Applicant.**
- **Not more that 2 grants awarded to the same organisation.**

# From the Concept Note to the Full Application Form



The following elements assessed on the basis of the Concept Note **cannot be changed** in the Full Application Form:

- partnership composition
- Priority and Measure selected
- specific objective and expected results

The total eligible budget costs of the project cannot vary from the initial Concept Note estimate by more than 20%, provided that the following limits are respected:

- % of Programme contribution (up to 90% of the total eligible costs) and co-financing (at least 10% of the total eligible costs)
- total eligible budget costs of the project (between € 500.000 and € 2.000.000 - - except for priority 4)

**Any variation of the total eligible budget costs should be explained in the Full Application Form.**

# Application procedure



- **Two steps:** Applicants have to submit a Concept Note and the Declaration by the Applicant for Concept Note (Stage 1), and then, if pre-selected the Full Application Form and supporting documents (Stage 2);
- ✓ **Stage 1** - Applicant have to submit by **29<sup>th</sup> February 2012**:
  - Concept Note (pdf format)
  - Declaration by the Applicant for the Concept Note
- ✓ **Stage 2** - Pre-selected Applicants shall submit within **45** calendar days:
  - Full Application Form (FAF)
  - Declaration by the Applicant for FAF + Partnership Statements
  - Budget and Logical Framework
  - Supporting documents for the verification of eligibility of Applicants and partners (additional 45 calendar days).

# Operational Calendar



**Launching of the call: 21<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

**10 info events from 13<sup>th</sup> January to 7<sup>th</sup> February 2012**

**Deadline to ask questions\*: 14<sup>th</sup> February 2012**

**Last update of the questions and answers: 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2012**

**Deadline for the submission of CN: 29<sup>th</sup> February 2012**

**Notification on the outcomes of stage 1: around 150 calendar days after the deadline of the call**

**\* (always use the question submission tool on the Programme website:**

**<http://www.enpicbmed.eu/calls-for-proposals/second-call-standard-projects/questions-and-answers>**





**Thank you for your attention !**

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will be made using the Programme  
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