

# Extract from the Work programme for 2015 (Commission Implementing decision C(2014)10276 final of 09.01.2015)

## INTRODUCTION

On the basis of the objectives provided for in Regulation (EU) No 1293/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 on the establishment of a Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) and repealing Regulation (EC) No 614/2007<sup>1</sup> (hereinafter "LIFE Regulation"), this work programme contains the actions to be financed and the budget breakdown for year 2015 as it is shown in the below table.

Moreover, it includes the contributions paid by the Union as subscriptions to international and multilateral environment and climate agreements of which it is a member in accordance with Article 121(2)(d) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union<sup>2</sup> (hereinafter "Financial Regulation").

Actions	Indicative amount in EUR
Grants (1), of which	<b>321 432 750</b>
- call for proposals for integrated projects (1.1)	82 000 000
- call for proposals for traditional projects grants (1.2)	226 671 337
- call for proposals for technical assistance projects (1.3)	820 000
- call for proposals for preparatory projects (1.4)	1 841 413
- call for proposals for operating grants (1.5)	9 000 000
Procurement (2)	<b>68 055 400</b>
Procurement supporting the development, implementation and communication of the environment policies and legislation (4.1)	48 827 520
Procurement supporting the development, implementation and communication of the climate action policies and legislation (4.2)	19 227 880

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 185.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

## 1. GRANTS

### 1.1. ACTION GRANTS FOR INTEGRATED PROJECTS

#### 1.1.1 Legal basis

LIFE Regulation, and in particular Articles 17, 18, 19 and 20.

#### 1.1.2 Budget Lines and amounts

Budget article 07 02 01 - Contributing to a greener and more resource efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation - EUR 30 000 000.

Budget article 07 02 02 - Halting and reversing biodiversity loss - EUR 38 000 000.

Budget article 34 02 01 - Reducing of Union greenhouse gas emissions – EUR 7 000 000.

Budget article 34 02 02 - Increasing resilience of the Union to climate change – EUR 7 000 000.

#### 1.1.3 Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results

In the framework of the sub-programme for environment, the integrated projects (IP) aim at implementing one of the following environmental plans or strategies required by specific environmental Union legislation, developed pursuant to other Union acts or developed by Member States' authorities:

Natura 2000 network management: Prioritised Action Frameworks

Waste: Waste Management Plans

Water: River basin management plans

Air: Air quality management plans

In the framework of the sub-programme for climate action, the IP aim at implementing or supporting climate change mitigation/adaptation strategies, action plans or roadmaps.

The integrated projects financed under this AWP will be completed in 2020 or later and they are expected to contribute to the achievement of the following outcomes:

Thematic priorities	Quantitative outcomes	Qualitative outcomes
In the framework of the subprogramme for environment		
WATER	No. of river basin districts (RBD) covered by IPs	Implementation of compliant and efficient river basin management plans (RBMP) in the covered RBD, in conformity with article 4 of the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC  Additional funding mobilised
WASTE	No. of EU regions covered by waste IPs	Putting in place and implementing compliant and efficient Waste Management Plans (WMP) and/or

		<p>Waste Prevention Programmes (WPP) in the covered Region, in conformity with Articles 28 and 29 of the Waste Framework Directive 2008/98.</p> <p>Additional funding mobilised</p>
AIR	No. of EU regions covered by Air IPs	<p>Compliant and efficient Air Quality Plans and Programmes (AQPP) in the covered Region, in conformity with Article 23 of the Directive 2008/50 on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe.</p> <p>Additional funding mobilised</p>
NATURE	<p>No. of PAFs covered by Nature IPs.</p> <p>% of the Natura 2000 network covered by Nature IPs.</p>	<p>Improving conservation status within the meaning of Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora and Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds</p> <p>No. of Nature 2000 sites restored or brought to adequate management</p>
In the framework of the sub-programme for climate change		
MITIGATION	No. and area coverage and citizens reached under climate change mitigation strategies or action plans implemented.	<p>Increased no. of Member States/regions applying integrated approaches</p> <p>Tons of greenhouse gasses reduced by new technologies, systems, instruments and/or other best practice approaches developed and taken up</p> <p>Additional funding mobilised</p>
ADAPTATION	<p>No. and area coverage and citizens reached under adaptation strategies or action plans</p> <p>No. of trans-regional or cross-border adaptation projects.</p>	<p>Positive impact on climate resilience</p> <p>Increased No. of MS/regions applying integrated approaches</p> <p>Impact on climate resilience of particularly vulnerable areas identified in the EU Adaptation Strategy.</p> <p>Additional funding mobilised</p>

The priorities for 2015 are the following:

A. Under the sub-programme for Environment

IPs dealing with the implementation of Prioritized Framework Programmes (PAF) for NATURA 2000:

IPs designed to support the implementation of PAFs pursuant to Article 8 Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC.

The IP should contribute towards achieving target 1 of the EU Biodiversity Strategy and the general objectives of the Habitats and Birds Directives, and in particular contribute to improving the conservation status of species and habitat types of Community Interest (Habitats Directive) and/or the status of bird species (Birds Directive 2009/147/EC).

IP projects implementing river basins management plans (RBMPs):

IP designed to support the implementation of measures in River Basin Management Plans pursuant to Article 4 of the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC (WFD).

The IP should contribute towards achieving WFD objectives and target significant pressures affecting the environment's capacity for water retention and the use of low impact measures (e.g. green infrastructure) for depollution. The projects should focus on large scale (e.g. sub-catchment or river basin) planning and establishment of measures to increase water retention in urban and rural areas, enhance infiltration, increase water storage capacity and remove pollutants through natural or "natural-like" processes. They should seek synergies to implement actions that will redress existing hydro morphological pressures and improve biodiversity and amenity value.

IP dealing with implementation of waste management plans:

The IP are designed to support the implementation of the Waste Management Plans (WMP) and/or Waste Prevention Programmes (WPP). They should contribute to the implementation of the waste hierarchy (art 4 of the WFD), the achievement of the recycling targets as foreseen in article 11 of the WFD and additional targets included in the EU waste legislation, as well as the implementation of necessary measures to support those objectives.

IP dealing with the implementation of air quality plans and programs:

The IP are designed to support the implementation and monitoring of local and regional air quality plans with the ultimate goal of contributing to National Air Pollution Reduction Programmes.

B. Under the sub-programme for Climate Action:

IP dealing with the implementation of climate change mitigation strategies, plans and roadmaps:

The IP supports the implementation of greenhouse gas mitigation strategies, plans or low carbon economy roadmaps and concern specific municipalities or regions (e.g. as announced in the Covenant of Mayors), industrial or agricultural (by analysing land use on a regional scale, the social and economic context) sectors, or other economic sectors by introducing technology and service based approaches in a sustainable and innovative way. The IP could be complemented with necessary infrastructure investments or the development and deployment of innovative technologies and services in cities, regions and/or communities supported through other relevant Union funding programmes, also specified in the strategy/plan/roadmap. Their EU value added will be assessed with regard to the contribution of the IP to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, the level of mainstreaming into different policies, the direct involvement of a LIFE multiannual work programme for 2014-2017 broad range of stakeholders, and the extent to which the IP is an operative part of the strategy/plan/roadmap.

IP dealing with the implementation of climate change adaptation strategies, plans and roadmaps:

The IP is designed to implement climate change adaptation strategies, plans or address specific climate change vulnerabilities (e.g. coastal areas, droughtprone areas and other priority areas as identified under Action 2 of the EU Adaptation Strategy). Measures funded from national sources or measures funded from other relevant Union funding programmes should complement the measures to be funded via the LIFE programme in order to implement an overarching adaptation strategy or plan. Support could e.g. be given to flood management in a cross-border river/coastal area or to urban adaptation measures involving several cities. Synergies with other environmental and climate policies should be a central theme of adaptation projects, e.g. climate change adaptation and biodiversity should be promoted, wherever relevant.

EU value added will also be assessed with regard to the contribution of the IP to meeting the EU Adaptation Strategy's objectives<sup>3</sup>, the level of mainstreaming into different sectors and the involvement of a broad range of stakeholders.

#### **1.1.4. Description of the activities to be funded under the call for proposals**

The call for proposals will fund all the activities related to the definition, revision, implementation or management of environmental and climate plans or strategies, including the involvement of relevant stakeholders and activities aimed at ensuring sustainability and replicability.

The purchase of land could be financed in line with Article 20 of the LIFE Regulation and according to the specific conditions mentioned in this article.

#### **1.1.5. Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria**

A call for proposals based on a two-stage procedure will be launched.

Applicants will be invited to submit, as part of their candidature, a short concept and strategy note for their integrated projects (IP), outlining the project contents, the plan or strategy it is intended to implement and a financial plan related to its implementation.

Besides the criteria indicated in Article 131.2 of the Financial Regulation, the applications will be assessed on the basis of the following main criteria:

Main eligibility criteria on the applicant	<p>The applicant shall be a legal person registered in the European Union</p> <p>The competent authority or entity responsible for the implementation of the plan or strategy targeted by the proposed integrated project shall participate in the project as beneficiary (coordinating or associated).</p>
Eligibility based on the scope of the proposals <sup>4</sup>	<p>A proposal shall comply with the following criteria:</p> <p>The proposed action shall cover a large territorial area, in particular, regional, multi-regional, national or trans-national. A multi-city approach may also be acceptable for IP dealing with air quality management, as well as for IP in the climate sub-programme.</p> <p>At least one other relevant Union, national or private funding source</p>

<sup>3</sup> See [http://ec.europa.eu/clima/events/articles/0069\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/clima/events/articles/0069_en.htm).

<sup>4</sup> See Articles 2 and 19 of the LIFE Regulation.

	shall be mobilised for the implementation of the IP. The key stakeholders shall be involved in the implementation of the IP.
	For the projects under the environment subprogramme:  The proposed action shall aim at implementing the following environmental plans or strategies required by specific environmental Union legislation, developed pursuant to other Union acts or developed by Member States' authorities in one of the following areas:  Natura 2000 network management: Prioritised Action Frameworks pursuant to Article 8 Habitats Directive  Waste: Waste Management Plans pursuant to Article 28 Waste Framework Directive.  Water: River basin management plans pursuant to Annex VII to the Water Framework Directive  Air: Air quality plans pursuant to the Air Quality Directive
	For the projects under the climate action subprogramme:  The proposed action shall aim at implementing or supporting climate change mitigation/adaptation strategies or action plans or roadmaps.

The applicants who comply with the above mentioned criteria and who submitted a proposal within the scope of the call will be identified.

They will be invited :

to participate in a written "question and answer" phase, which will be organised to give them the possibility to submit questions related to the preparation of the full proposal, and

to submit a full proposal.

When submitting a full proposal, applicants will be checked against the following criteria:

Exclusion situations	Applicants shall declare on their honour that they are not in one of the situations listed in Articles 106(1) and 107 of the FR
Selection criteria	Applicants will have to demonstrate a sufficient:  operational capacity: professional competencies, qualifications and requirements needed to undertake the proposal within stated technical parameters and  2. financial capacity: stable and sufficient sources of funding to maintain the activity throughout the period during which the proposal is being carried out and to participate in its funding.

Moreover, applications will be ranked on the basis of a score system based on the following main award criteria:

Criteria	Minimum pass score	Maximum score
1. Technical coherence and quality	10	20
2. Financial coherence and quality	10	20
3. EU added value: extent and quality of the contribution to the objectives	15	20
4. EU added value: extent and quality of mobilisation of other funds, in particular Union funds	-	10
5. EU added value: quality of multipurpose, synergies and integration	7	15
6. EU added value: replicability and transferability	5	10
7. EU added value: transnationality, green procurement, uptake	-	5
Total	55	100

In the framework of the sub-programme for environment, once having ranked the proposals on merit basis, the Commission will define a final list of awarded projects by ensuring the adaptations necessary to comply with:

the 55% quota of budgetary resources devoted to action grants supporting the conservation of nature and biodiversity according to Article 9(2) of the Life Regulation;

the geographical balance indicated in Article 19(4) of the LIFE Regulation.

In the framework of the sub-programme for climate action, the proposals will be ranked on merit basis and the best ones will be financed within the limit of the amounts available for this call for proposals.

#### **1.1.6. Implementation**

The action financed in the framework of the sub-programme for environment will be implemented in direct management by DG Environment.

The action financed in the framework of the climate action sub-programme will be implemented in direct management by the Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME).

Grants awarded shall be covered by a written agreement.

#### **1.1.7. Indicative timetable and indicative amount of the call for proposals**

Publication date	May 2015
Closing date for sending concept notes	October 2015

Information to applicants about the results of the evaluation	November 2015
Closing date for sending full proposals proposals to the Commission	April 2016
Award decision and information to the applicants about the results of the evaluation	July 2016
Indicative amount of the call	82 000 000 EUR

Grant agreements will be signed upon successful completion of the award process.

#### **1.1.8. Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs**

A 60% maximum rate of total eligible costs will be co-financed.

### **1.2. ACTION GRANTS FOR TRADITIONAL PROJECTS<sup>5</sup>**

#### **1.2.1. Legal basis**

LIFE Regulation, and, in particular, Articles 17, 18, 19 and 20.

#### **1.2.2. Budget lines and amounts**

Budget article 07 02 01 - Contributing to a greener and more resource efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation EUR 75 000 000.

Budget article 07 02 02 - Halting and reversing biodiversity loss - EUR 92 000 000.

Budget article 07 02 03 - Supporting better environmental governance and information at all levels - EUR 17 141 337.

Budget article 34 02 01 - Reducing of Union greenhouse gas emissions – EUR 14 930 000.

Budget article 34 02 02 - Increasing resilience of the Union to climate change – EUR 21 600 000.

Budget article 34 02 03 - Better climate governance and information at all levels - EUR 6 000 000.

#### **1.2.3. Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results**

The traditional action grants aims at

- contributing to a greener and more resource efficient economy
- halting and reversing biodiversity loss;

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<sup>5</sup> Traditional projects include the financing of pilot, demonstration, best practice, and information, awareness, and dissemination projects within the meaning of Article 18 (a), (b), (c) and (h) of the LIFE Regulation

- supporting better environmental and climate governance and information at all levels
- reducing Union greenhouse gas emissions
- increasing resilience of the Union to climate change.

They are expected to contribute to the implementation, management and development of Union environmental and climate policy and legislation, including monitoring and evaluation, integration of the environmental and climate objectives into other policies, communication, awareness raising and better governance.

In accordance with Article 8 of the LIFE Regulation on complementarity with other EU funding, proposals dealing with research have to be addressed to the instruments of implementation of Horizon 2020<sup>6</sup>. Complementarity and synergies with Horizon 2020 actions will be assessed in the award criterion "EU added value".

The project topics included in the Multiannual Work Programme 2014-2017 and implementing the thematic priorities set out in Annex III to the LIFE regulation represent the priorities applicable in the framework of the Environment Sub-Programme for the first four years.

The Sub-Programme for Climate Action is expected to address the following:

- Support for implementation of adaptation strategies. This would include specific vulnerability assessments at regional or cross-border levels focusing on highly vulnerable areas such as urban, coastal, mountains and islands, drought prone areas or river-basins as well as implementing innovative adaptation approaches and preparation of specific investment plans.
- Support for pioneering a post carbon society by the integration mitigation/adaptation measures into regional practice, in particular through the deployment of new approaches (model cities or regions) within the objectives of the EU climate and energy package or the Roadmap 2050 targets.
- Demonstration at regional or sub-regional level of low carbon strategies, including mainstreaming of a range of emission reduction and resource efficiency measures across sectors and by using a range of measures to incentivise behavioural change, or land use management plans including land management practices which have an impact on emissions and removals of emissions.

#### **1.2.4. Description of the activities to be funded under the call for proposals**

The call for proposals will fund all the activities related to the development, implementation and enforcement of Union environmental and climate legislation and/or able to contribute to the shift towards a resource-efficient, low-carbon and climate-resilient economy, to the protection and improvement of the quality of the environment, to halting and reversing biodiversity loss and to the integration and mainstreaming of environmental and climate objectives into other policies.

The purchase of land could be financed in line with Article 20 of the LIFE Regulation and according to the specific conditions mentioned in this article.

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<sup>6</sup> <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/index.html>

### 1.2.5. Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria

Besides the eligibility, exclusion and selection criteria indicated in Articles 131 and 132 of the Financial Regulation, the applications will be assessed on the basis of the following main criteria:

Main eligibility criteria on the applicant	The coordinated beneficiary shall be a legal person registered in the European Union		
Eligibility based on the scope of the proposals <sup>7</sup>	<p>A proposal shall comply with the following criteria:</p> <p>it contributes to one or several of the general objectives set out in Article 3 of the LIFE Regulation and of the specific objectives defined in Articles 10, 11, 12, 14, 15 and 16 of the LIFE Regulation,</p> <p>it falls within the scope of the priority area of the LIFE sub-programme under which the project proposal was submitted, as set out in Articles 9 and 13 of the LIFE Regulation and</p> <p>it corresponds to one of the project types defined in Article 2(a), (b), (c) and (h) of the LIFE Regulation.</p>		
Main selection criteria	<p>The coordinating applicants and associated applicants will have to demonstrate sufficient:</p> <p>operational capacity in terms of professional competencies, qualifications and requirements needed to undertake the proposal within stated technical parameters and</p> <p>financial capacity in terms of stable and sufficient sources of funding to maintain the activity throughout the period during which the proposal is being carried out and to participate in its funding.</p>		
Main award criteria		Min. score	Max score
	1. Technical coherence and quality	10	20
	2. Financial coherence and quality	10	20
	For the projects under the environment sub-programme		
	<p>3. EU added value: Extent and quality of the contribution to the specific objectives of the priority areas of the LIFE sub-programme for Environment</p> <p>4. Contribution to the project topics</p>	10 -	20 10
For the projects under the climate action sub-programme:			
3. EU added value: Extent and quality of the contribution to an increased climate resilience and/or to the reduction of			

<sup>7</sup> See Articles 2 and 19 of the LIFE Regulation.

	greenhouse gas emissions		
	4. EU added value: Extent and quality of the contribution to the specific objectives of the priority areas of the LIFE sub-programme for Climate Action	7	15
		7	15
	5. EU added value: multipurpose, synergies and integration	7	15
	6. EU added value: replicability and transferability	5	10
	7. EU added value: transnational, green public procurement, uptake	-	5
	Total	55	100

Once having ranked the proposals on merit basis, the Commission will define a final list of awarded projects by ensuring the adaptations necessary to comply with the 15 % quota of the budgetary resources to transnational projects according to Art 19(7) of the Life Regulation.

Moreover, under the sub-programme for environment, adaptations might be necessary to comply with the following:

the 55 % quota of budgetary resources devoted to action grants supporting the conservation of nature and biodiversity according to Article 9(2) of the Life Regulation and

the geographical balance indicated in Article 19(5) of the LIFE Regulation.

#### 1.2.6. Implementation

This call for proposals is part of the activities delegated to the EASME and will be implemented in direct management by the Agency.

Grants awarded shall be covered by a written agreement.

#### 1.2.7. Indicative timetable and indicative amount of the call for proposals

Publication date	May 2015
Closing date	September 2015
Award decision and information to the applicants about the results of the evaluation	Mars 2016
Indicative amount of the call	226 671 337 EUR

### **1.2.8. Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs**

The maximum cofinancing rate is 60 % of the total eligible costs for all projects.

However, according to Article 20 of the LIFE regulation, maximum cofinancing rate is 75 % of total eligible costs for projects which, under the priority area Nature and Biodiversity, concern priority habitat or species for the implementation of the Directive 92/43/EEC or the species of birds considered as a priority for funding by the Committee for Adaptation to Technical and Scientific Progress when necessary to achieve the conservation objective.

## **1.3. ACTION GRANTS FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS**

### **1.3.1. Legal basis**

LIFE Regulation, and, in particular, Articles 17, 18, 19 and 20.

### **1.3.2. Budget lines and amounts**

Budget article 07 02 01 - Contributing to a greener and more resource efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation EUR 300 000.

Budget article 07 02 02 - Halting and reversing biodiversity loss - EUR 380 000.

Budget article 34 02 01 - Reducing of Union greenhouse gas emissions – EUR 70 000.

Budget article 34 02 02 - Increasing resilience of the Union to climate change – EUR 70 000.

### **1.3.3. Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results**

Technical assistance projects should help applicants preparing integrated projects, and in particular should ensure that those projects comply with the timing, technical and financial requirements of the LIFE Programme in coordination with funds referred to in Article 8(3) of the LIFE Regulation.

It is expected to ensure the uptake of 3-4 technical assistance projects under the priority area Nature and Biodiversity and 4-5 technical assistance projects in the priority area Environment and Resource Efficiency.

### **1.3.4. Description of the activities to be funded under the call for proposals**

All the activities necessary to support the capacity of the applicant to submit an integrated project.

### **1.3.5. Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria**

Main eligibility criteria on the applicant	The applicant shall be a legal person registered in the European Union  The applicant shall not be a Member State entity which receives financing for a Capacity Building project which covers at least a part of the period to be covered by the Technical Assistance project.
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Eligibility based on the scope of the proposals <sup>8</sup>	A proposal for a technical assistance project is only retained for evaluation against the award criteria, if it aims at the preparation of a future IP proposal.		
Main selection criteria	<p>The coordinating applicants and associated applicants will have to demonstrate sufficient:</p> <p>operational capacity in terms of professional competencies, qualifications and requirements needed to undertake the proposal within stated technical parameters and</p> <p>financial capacity in terms of stable and sufficient sources of funding and to participate in its funding.</p>		
Main award criteria		Min. score	Max score
	1. Technical coherence and quality	30	60
	2. Financial coherence and quality	20	40
	Total	55	100

### 1.3.6. Implementation

The action grants financed in the framework of the sub-programme for environment will be implemented in direct management by DG Environment.

The action grants financed in the framework of the climate action sub-programme will be implemented in direct management by the Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME).

### 1.3.7. Indicative timetable and indicative amount of the call for proposals

Publication date	May 2015
Award decision and information to the applicants about the results of the evaluation	October 2015
Indicative amount of the call for proposals	820 000 EUR

Grants agreements will be signed upon successful conclusion of the evaluation process.

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<sup>8</sup> See Articles 2 and 19 of the LIFE Regulation.

### 1.3.8. Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs

According to Article 20(1) of the LIFE Regulation, the maximum rate at which the technical assistance projects can be co-financed by LIFE is 60 % up to a maximum amount of 100.000 EUR per project.

## 1.4. ACTION GRANTS FOR PREPARATORY PROJECTS

### 1.4.1. Legal basis

LIFE Regulation, and, in particular, Articles 17, 18(g), 19 and 20.

### 1.4.2. Budget lines and amounts

Budget article 07 02 01 - Contributing to a greener and more resource efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation EUR 750 000.

Budget article 07 02 02 - Halting and reversing biodiversity loss - EUR 920 000.

Budget article 07 02 03 - Supporting better environmental governance and information at all levels - EUR 171 413.

### 1.4.3. Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results

Preparatory projects support specific needs for the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation.

The priorities for 2015 are defined in consultation with Member States and included in an inventory of specific needs regarding the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation.

### 1.4.4. Description of the activities to be funded under the call for proposals

The activities to be funded will vary in relation to the work necessary to address the specific needs identified by the Commission including the project duration and the indicative budget to be allocated to each project.

### 1.4.5. Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria

Main eligibility criteria on the applicant	Be a public or private organisation registered in an EU Member State..		
Main selection criteria	<p>Operational capacity – the applicant must have the professional competencies and qualifications required to complete the project.</p> <p>Financial capacity - the applicant must have stable and sufficient sources of funding to maintain his activity throughout the duration of the project and to participate in its funding.</p> <p>In line with Article 131 of the Financial Regulation, the verification of the financial capacity does not apply to public authorities.</p>		
Main award criteria		Min.	Max

	score	score
Technical coherence and quality of the proposal in relation to the specific need addressed	22	45
Comprehensiveness of the approach in relation to the specific need addressed	15	30
Financial coherence and quality	12	25
Total	55	100

#### 1.4.6. Implementation

The action will be implemented in direct management by DG Environment.

#### 1.4.7. Indicative timetable and indicative amount of the call for proposals

Publication date	1 <sup>st</sup> quarter of 2015
Closing date for sending proposals to the national competent authorities	3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter 2015
Closing date for national authorities to send proposals to the Commission	3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter 2015
Award decision and information to the applicants about the results of the evaluation	4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2015
Signature of grant agreements	1 <sup>st</sup> quarter of 2016
Indicative amount of the call for proposals	1 841 413

Grants agreements will be signed upon successful conclusion of the evaluation process.

#### 1.4.8. Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs

According to Article 20(1) of the LIFE Regulation, the maximum rate at which the preparatory projects can be co-financed by LIFE is 60 % up to a maximum amount of 100.000 EUR per project.

### 1.5 OPERATING GRANTS FOR CO-FINANCING THE WORK PROGRAMME OF NON-PROFIT ENTITIES

#### 1.5.1. Legal basis

LIFE Regulation and, in particular, Articles 17 and 21.

#### 1.5.2. Budget lines and amounts

Budget article 07 02 03 - Supporting better environmental governance and/or information at all levels - EUR 7 000 000.

Budget article 34 02 03 - Better climate governance and information at all levels- EUR 2 000 000.

### 1.5.3. Priorities of the year, objectives pursued and expected results

The objective of this action is to promote better environmental and climate governance by broadening stakeholder involvement, including NGOs, in policy consultation and implementation (Article 12(d) of the LIFE Regulation - specific objective for the priority area Environmental Governance and Information) and Article 16(d) of the LIFE Regulation - - specific objective for the priority area Climate Governance and Information.

The expected result is to identify and support no-profit organisations able to strengthen civil society participation in the dialogue process of environmental and climate policy development and implementation.

The priorities for the 2016 work programmes of the applicants are the following:

- To protect, conserve and enhance the Union’s natural capital;
- To turn the Union into a resource-efficient, green and competitive low-carbon economy;
- To safeguard the Union’s citizens from environment-related pressures and risks to health and wellbeing;
- To increase the Union's effectiveness in addressing international climate related challenges.

### 1.5.4. Description of the activities to be funded under the call for proposals

Grants will be awarded following an open call for proposals aimed at identifying framework partners on the basis of a biannual strategic plan and then at selecting their 2016 work programme for co-financing.

### 1.5.5. Essential eligibility, selection and award criteria

Main eligibility criteria	<p>An applicant organisation must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ be a non-profit-making legal person, independent in particular from government and other public authorities and from political or commercial interests,</li> <li>▪ be primarily active in the field of environment and/or climate action and have an environmental/climate objective aimed at the public good and with a view to sustainable development, as well as being involved in the development, implementation and enforcement of Union environmental and/or climate policy and legislation;</li> <li>▪ be operating at Union level with a structure and activities covering at least three European Union Member States,</li> <li>▪ be established (legally registered) in the EU28 Member States or in a third country in accordance with Article 5 of the LIFE Regulation and under the conditions provided for in that Article.</li> </ul>
Main selection criteria	<p>Applicants will only be selected if, based on specific supporting documents related to their performance during the two previous years, they can demonstrate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ operational capacity - the applicant must have the professional competencies and qualifications required to complete the proposed work</li> </ul>

	<p>programme, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ financial capacity - the applicant must have stable and sufficient sources of funding to maintain his activity throughout the year for which the grant is awarded and to participate in its funding.</li> </ul> <p>In cases of exceptional circumstances, notably regarding a new network created by experienced organisations, the Commission may grant derogation from the requirement of supporting documents referring to the two previous years.</p> <p>Art. 131 of the Financial Regulation will apply to the selection of public bodies and international organisations.</p>
<p>Main award criteria for the framework partnership agreements</p>	<p>1. Relevance of involvement in the Union’s environmental and/or climate action policy process:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">under the thematic objectives of the 7th Environment Action Programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- to protect, conserve and enhance the Union’s natural capital</li> <li>- to turn the Union into a resource-efficient, green and competitive low-carbon economy;</li> <li>- to safeguard the Union’s citizens from environment-related pressures and risks to health and wellbeing,</li> </ul> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">under the climate and energy package, the roadmap for moving to a competitive low carbon economy in 2050 and the Union’s adaptation strategy.</p> <p>2. Relevance and potential to contribute to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- maximising the benefits of the Union’s environment and climate action legislation by improving implementation and enforcement,</li> <li>- improving the knowledge and evidence base for Union environment and climate action policy,</li> <li>- securing investment for environment and climate action policy and address environmental externalities and</li> <li>- improving environmental and climate action integration and policy coherence.</li> </ul> <p>3. Relevance for enhancing the sustainability of the Union’s cities and increasing the Union’s effectiveness in addressing international environmental and climate related challenges.</p> <p>4. Relevance in addressing environmental and climate emerging issues and new policy priorities.</p> <p>5. Effectiveness of the partner's contribution to the Union policy process.</p> <p>6. Organisational development – potential to develop in order to become a more efficient stakeholder in the Union’s policy process.</p>
<p>Main award criteria for the specific grants under framework partnership</p>	<p>For the award of the annual specific operating grants, the following additional criteria will apply:</p> <p>1. Compliance of the work programme with the objectives and nature of</p>

agreements	<p>activities indicated in the biannual strategic plan</p> <p>2. Relevance in addressing environmental and/or climate emerging issues and new policy priorities</p> <p>3. Feasibility and internal coherence of the work programme within the time frame</p> <p>4. Coherence between the work programme and the proposed budget, including efficient use of resources</p>
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### 1.5.6. Implementation

A call for proposals will be launched to select the framework partners on the basis of their biannual strategic plan.

The selected framework partners will be invited to submit their 2016 work programme in view of the possible award of a specific operating grant for the financial year 2016.

Grants will be covered by a written agreement.

The operating grants to non-profit organisations are included in the activities delegated to EASME and will be implemented under direct management by the agency.

### 1.5.7. Indicative timetable and indicative amount of the call for proposals

Timing of call for proposals :	
Publication date	March 2015
Closing date	May 2015
Notification of results	August 2015
Signature of the framework partnership agreements	September 2015
Request for 2016 work programmes	September 2015
Receipt of the 2016 work programmes	October 2015
Assessment of the 2016 work programmes	November 2015
Signature of the specific operating grants	December 2015/January 2016
Indicative amount for the specific operating grants:	9 000 000 EUR

### 1.5.8. Maximum possible rate of co-financing of the eligible costs

The specific grant will take the form of a partial reimbursement of eligible costs. The rate of overall EU assistance shall not exceed 70 % out of the applicant's eligible expenses for 2016. The maximum amount that can be requested and awarded for 2016 is fixed at € 900.000 and shall not exceed the amount awarded under the LIFE programme to the same beneficiary for an operating grant covering the financial year 2015.

## 2. PROCUREMENT

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for procurement contracts in 2015 amounts to € 68 055 400.

### 2.1 *PROCUREMENT SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND COMMUNICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT POLICIES AND LEGISLATION*

#### 2.1.1. Legal basis

LIFE Regulation, and, in particular, articles 17(1) and 22.

#### 2.1.2. Budget lines and amounts

Budget item 07 01 04 01 – Support Expenditure for the Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) – Sub-programme for Environment -EUR 1 594 520;

Budget article 07 02 01 - Contributing to a greener and more resource efficient economy and to the development and implementation of Union environmental policy and legislation - EUR 14 020 000.

Budget article 07 02 02 - Halting and reversing biodiversity loss - EUR 6 532 750.

Budget article 07 02 03 - Supporting better environmental governance and information at all levels - EUR 26 580 250.

#### 2.1.3. Subject matter of the contracts envisaged, type of contracts, indicative number and timeframe for the launching of the procurement procedures

Indicative Subject of the contracts	Type of contract <sup>9</sup>	Estimated n° contracts	Indicative date of publication (quarter / Year)
▪ Sustainable Consumption and production	SER	20	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015

<sup>9</sup> SER (service contract), ETU (study contract), FRA (new framework contract), EXP (reimbursement of expert expenditures), PUB (publications).

Work programme for 2015

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Eco-innovation</li> <li>▪ Circular economy and green growth</li> <li>▪ Integration of environmental requirements into industry and internal market policies.</li> <li>▪ Ecolabel</li> <li>▪ EMAS</li> <li>▪ Eco-design,</li> <li>▪ Product environmental footprint, Organisations environmental footprint PEF/OEF methodology.</li> <li>▪ ETV (Environmental Technology Verification)</li> <li>▪ Review of the existing instruments</li> <li>▪ Sustainable buildings</li> </ul>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support to development and implementation of EU waste policy and legislation in the following areas:</li> <li>▪ Waste streams directives: WEEE, RoHS, ELV, Batteries, Packaging, management of waste from extractive industries</li> <li>▪ Waste Framework Directive (targets review, assessment of plans, compliance of assistance, waste classification)</li> <li>▪ Ship Recycling regulation</li> <li>▪ Waste shipments</li> <li>▪ Technological, socio-economic and cost-benefit assessments related to the implementation of further development of EU waste legislation</li> <li>▪ RoHS 5(restriction of Hazardous Substances) exemptions and implementation</li> </ul>	<p>ETU FRA</p>	<p>16 1</p>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Q 2015</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support to the development and the implementation of Chemicals Legislation:</li> <li>▪ Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)</li> <li>▪ Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)</li> <li>▪ Classification, labelling and packaging of chemical substances and mixtures (CLP)</li> <li>▪ Export and Import of Dangerous Chemicals (PIC)</li> <li>▪ Report on sustainable use of chemicals</li> <li>▪ Technical assistance to develop new POPs (Persistent organic Pollutants) dossiers and to prepare risk management dossiers for new nominated substances</li> <li>▪ Support to the implementation of the Directive 2010/63/EU on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes</li> <li>▪ Activities in the field of biocides</li> <li>▪ Scientific and technical assistance for the development of an EU strategy for a non-toxic environment</li> <li>▪ Support to policy developments and activities in the fields of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Endocrine disruptors</li> <li>- Nanomaterial</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>SER FRA</p>	<p>8 1</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Q 2015</p>

Work programme for 2015

- Chemical mixtures			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support to policy development in the areas of Agriculture, Soils, Nature and biodiversity, including Implementation of the Directive 91/676/EEC on the protection of water from nitrate pollution from agricultural sources.</li> <li>▪ Land as a resource / soil protection</li> <li>▪ Land use survey</li> <li>▪ Initiatives to adress land degradation</li> <li>▪ Support the integration of environmental aspects into the CAP</li> <li>▪ Sustainable forest management</li> </ul>	<p>ETU</p> <p>SER</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8</p>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Q 2015</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Implementation of the EU biodiversity Strategy to 2020 including the tracking of progress</li> <li>▪ Combating Invasive Alien Species (IAS)</li> <li>▪ Follow-up to the Mid-term review of the biodiversity strategy</li> <li>▪ Biodiversity tracking in the EU budget</li> <li>▪ Improving the knowledge base for biodiversity, awareness raising, working with stakeholders and communication</li> <li>▪ Contribution to international processes, including CBD and Intergovernmental science policy platform on biodiversity and ecosystemsservices (IPBES)</li> <li>▪ Implementation of the Nature Directives (Birds and Habitats Directives).</li> <li>▪ Integration approach to financing of Natura 2000</li> <li>▪ Communication activities on nature and biodiversity including Natura2000 award scheme</li> <li>▪ Red list of Orthoptera</li> <li>▪ Large carnivores</li> <li>▪ Evaluation of the implementation of the ZOO's directive</li> </ul>	<p>SER</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> Q 2015</p>
<p><b>Water:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support to the implementation of the Blueprint to Safeguard Europe's Waters</li> <li>▪ Implementation of the Water Framework Directive, River basin management, Water Information System for Europe (WISE) and EU legislation on bathing and drinking water, urban waste water Treatment (water industry directives) including SIIF;</li> <li>▪ Implementation of the Marine Strategy Framework Directive &amp; Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) and maritime spacial planning</li> <li>▪ Floods directive</li> <li>▪ Strategic approach to pharmaceuticals in the environment</li> </ul>	<p>SER</p> <p>FRA</p>	<p>16</p> <p>1</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Q 2015</p>
<p><b>Industrial emissions and accidents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support to the implementation of legislation on industrial emissions, the industrial emissions directive (IED), the European Pollutant Release and Transfer</li> </ul>	<p>SER</p> <p>ETU</p>	<p>10</p> <p>4</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Q 2015</p>

<p>Register (E-PRTR) and other related directives, including analysis of reports, assessment of impacts and development of reporting tools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Implementation of legislation on industrial accidents</li> </ul> <p><b>Air quality:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Scientific and technical input to the inter-institutional negotiations of the Air Quality Policy Review package and its subsequent implementation, including regarding the contribution of other sectors.</li> <li>▪ Implementation, evaluation and development of legislation on ambient air quality, including at the regional and local level.</li> <li>▪ Inventory methodologies</li> <li>▪ Assessing NO<sub>2</sub> exposure</li> <li>▪ Implementation and evaluation of the marine fuel sulphur content directive (1999/32)</li> </ul> <p><b>Mercury:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ratification and implementation of the multilateral Minemata Convention on mercury</li> <li>▪ Implementation of EU law regarding mercury.</li> </ul>	FRA	1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support in implementation of EC Environmental Law, including cooperation with judicial authorities.</li> <li>▪ Implementation of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) directives, guidance on the implementation of the European Liability Directive (ELD).</li> <li>▪ Acces to justice and to information, inspections and surveillance, legal enforcement and conformity checks as well as technical assessment of comliance with EU environmental law.</li> <li>▪ Economic and social impacts of envirnmental protection and resource efficiency. SEIS outlook.</li> <li>▪ INSPIRE: study of the quality of environmental information</li> <li>▪ Environmental tax reform information system</li> <li>▪ Copernicus assesment of potential</li> <li>▪ Review of the Aarhus regulation</li> </ul>	ETU SER	8 2	1 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
<p>International work of core EU domestic interests, including integrating the results of international work into EU legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Monitoring of the implementation and enforcement of the EC wildlife trade regulation</li> <li>▪ Implementation and enforcement of the EU timber and FLEGT regulations</li> <li>▪ Implementation of the ABS regulation</li> <li>▪ Development of EU FLEGT licences</li> <li>▪ EU action plan on deforestation and forest degradation</li> <li>▪ Wildlife trafficking: follow-up to the communication</li> </ul>	SER	4	1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2015

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Resource Efficiency indicators and knowledge base, including evaluations and impact assessments, sustainable urban development, cost benefit analysis and modelling. Economic analysis of environmental policies, resource efficiency (including issues of private financing, financing of resource-efficiency investments) and sustainable development. Use of market-based instruments and reform of environmentally harmful subsidies. Green public procurement.</li> <li>▪ Shale gases.</li> <li>▪ Implementation and development of legislation on noise</li> </ul>	<p>ETU SER</p>	<p>17 3</p>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Q 2015</p>
<p>Communication and outreach activities<sup>10</sup>, including :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Stakeholder events and participatory schemes, such as Green Week, European Green Capital Award. European Business Award, retail Forum Annual Event, IUCN World Park Congress, Green public procurement, Beyond-GDP website etc.</li> <li>▪ Communication campaign on Resource Efficiency and biodiversity.</li> <li>▪ Scoping and strategy for preparation of future communication activities</li> <li>▪ Evaluation activities</li> <li>▪ Media relations.</li> <li>▪ Publications, Video news releases and other audiovisual production, web and social media activities,</li> </ul> <p>Conferences and workshops Stakeholder conference on non-toxic environment strategy Conference on Endocrines disruptors</p>	<p>SER FRA</p>	<p>22 1</p>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Q 2015</p>
<p>Technical assistance related to on going action and operating grants under predecessor programmes. Technical assistance in relation to the implementation of the LIFE + and LIFE programme. Promotion of the sustainability of results of LIFE projects</p>	<p>SER, EXP</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>4th Q 2015</p>
<p>Development and maintenance of IT Systems supporting the management of the LIFE Programme</p>	<p>SER</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Q 2015</p>
<p>Publications on LIFE + projects and implementation and development environment policy and newsletters, Eurobarometer surveys, Production of communication material (including audiovisual &amp; Websites)</p>	<p>PUB/SER</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>4th Q 2015</p>
<p>Audit and evaluation - <i>ex post</i> audit of LIFE projects (via DG BUDG Framework contract), programme evaluation</p>	<p>SER / ETU</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>3rd Q 2015</p>
<p>COP12 Support</p>	<p>SER</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4th Q 2015</p>

<sup>10</sup> This might include a financial contribution to the corporate communication following the Commission Communication SEC(2013)486 final of 23.9.2013.

Other types of procurement activities

Indicative subject of the contracts	Type of contract	Estimated n° contracts	Indicative date of publication (quarter / Year)
Publications on LIFE + projects and implementation and development environment policy	co-delegation with OP	35	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
ENV contribution to the implementation of Land use/land cover area frame survey (LUCAS) 2015	Crossed sub-delegation with EUROSTAT	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Reviewing and developing certain fisheries related marine environment indicators by the International Council for the Exploration of the Seas (ICES)	Memorandum of Understanding ICES/MARE	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015
Contribution to AGORA application	Crossed sub-delegation with EMPL	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015
Hosting eProposals, Ecolabel, EMAS, R4BP, Declare/Alures, FLEGT and their accessibility to external stakeholders, extension of E-prior for specific contracts	Memorandum of Understanding and Crossed sub delegation with DIGIT	9	1 <sup>st</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
<b>Administrative agreements (AA) with the JRC<sup>11</sup></b>			
Technical and scientific support to the EU Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) programme	AA with JRC	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015
Enabling consistent use of Environmental Footprinting in EU policy making and material efficiency in ecodesign	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Scientific support for screening and development of potential resource efficiency and product group indicators as well as targets for the reduction of the overall environmental impact of EU consumption	AA with JRC	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015
Technical and scientific support for the development of EU Ecolabel, Eco-design and green public procurement (GPP) criteria and requirements for selected product groups	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015

<sup>11</sup> Administrative agreements will be concluded with the Joint Research Centre, taking into account its technical and scientific expertise, which is independent from vested interests, and to build upon JRC previous experience. The administrative agreements will not include any administrative tasks.

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Development of sectoral reference documents: assistance in development of the different reference documents and making these reference documents available to stakeholders	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Chemical mixtures: Further development of information platform for chemical monitoring	AA with JRC	1	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
Assessing the monitoring networks and NZV designation in Member States	AA with JRC	1-2	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Support for the forest information system of Europe and for the expert group on forest health and risks	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Strengthening the policy support capacity of the EASIN (European Alien Species Information Network)	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Support for water innovation and the development of water efficiency measures	AA with JRC	2-3	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
Assistance in the implementation of the MSFD	AA with JRC	1-2	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Analysis supporting low-sulphur fuel availability review	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Technical support, in particular for standardisation of monitoring technologies and intercomparison exercises, and support for the database of air quality management measures	AA with JRC	1	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
Assessment of hemispheric transport of air pollution	AA with JRC	1	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
Promoting and tapping on innovative techniques for the reduction and control of industrial emissions	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Assessment of environmental impacts of EU policies using integrated land use modelling	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Further development of the composite index of environmental pressures	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
Web monitoring of environmental risks	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
EU INSPIRE: Improvement of performance of data and information infrastructures including contributing to 2013 SEIS outlook staff working document and 2012 communication on implementation	AA with JRC	1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015

#### 2.1.4 Implementation

These actions will be implemented in direct management by DG Environment with a co-delegation to DG SANCO for the activities concerning biocides following the corresponding transfer of responsibility decided by the Commission on its 2104th meeting held on the 5th of November 2014.

#### 2.2. PROCUREMENT SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND COMMUNICATION OF THE CLIMATE ACTION POLICIES AND LEGISLATION

##### 2.2.1. Legal basis

LIFE Regulation, and, in particular, articles 17(1) and 22.

##### 2.2.2. Budget lines and amounts

Budget item 34 01 04 01 – Support Expenditure for the Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) – Sub-programme for Climate Action – EUR 3 383 630;

Budget article 34 02 01 - Reducing of Union greenhouse gas emissions – EUR 4 972 000.

Budget article 34 02 02 - Increasing resilience of the Union to climate change – EUR 7 362 000.

Budget article 34 02 03 - Better climate governance and information at all levels - EUR 3 510 250.

##### 2.2.3. Subject matter of the contracts envisaged, type of contracts, indicative number and timeframe for the launching of the procurement procedures

Indicative Subject of the contracts	Type of contract <sup>12</sup>	Estimated n° contracts	Indicative date of publication (quarter / Year)
Emissions monitoring, reporting and verification, Emission from maritime transports and aviation. Assistance to the process of auctioning of allowances (auctioning platform, clearing monitor) and support to the development of an international carbon market, including in the framework of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	SER	7	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
	ETU	5	
	FRA	5	
Evaluation, including ex-post, follow up, impact assessment and reviews of on-going policies and current legislation	SER	6	1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015
	ETU	1	
	FRA	1	
Communication activities on EU Climate Action policy activities – follow up of awareness raising campaign, organisation of events, production of audiovisual materials	SER	4	2 <sup>nd</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q 2015

<sup>12</sup> SER (service contract), ETU (study contract), FRA (framework contract), EXP (reimbursement of expert expenditures), PUB (publications).

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and publications	FRA	6	
Technical support to on-going systems (i.e. EU Central Registry, EU Transaction log), related software development and security aspects	SER	4	1 <sup>st</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
	FRA	4	
Building knowledge base: collection of data, definition of tools, modelling for informing climate policies decision making, including for private and public climate finance and mainstreaming	SER	13	1 <sup>st</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2015
	ETU	3	
	FRA	4	

### Other types of procurement activities

Indicative subject of the contracts	Type of contract	Estimated contracts n°	Indicative date of publication (quarter / Year)
Hosting agreements, including hosting hardware token system and security, review and assessment	Co-delegation with DIGIT	1	1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015
CLIMA contribution to the implementation of Land use/land cover area frame survey (LUCAS) 2015	Cross sub-delegation with EUROSTAT	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015
Eco-innovations, derogations, further work on heavy duty vehicles, correlation factors ad hoc review of cars and vans regulations, test cycle	Administrative agreement with the JRC	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2015

#### 2.2.4 Implementation

These actions will be implemented in direct management by DG CLIMA.