



# Integrate

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# LIFE Environment 2019 & forests

- **Environment and Resource Efficiency: 17 June 2019**
  - Implementation of flood and/or drought risk management: nature-based solutions consisting in [natural water retention measures](#)
  - Forest monitoring and information systems, and to prevent forest fires
- **Nature and Biodiversity: 19 June 2019**
  - Improvement of the conservation status of habitat types or species of Community Interest under the EU Birds and Habitats directives
  - Development and implementation of Green Infrastructure plans and actions
- **Environmental Governance and Information: 19 June 2019**
  - Information and raising awareness on Natura 2000,
  - Improving capacity and quality of public administration regarding i.a. forest management plans



# LIFE Climate Action 2019 & forests

- Climate Change Mitigation

- **Sustainable Forest Management and cascading use of solid biomass**

- Afforestation and reforestation
    - Forest restoration
    - Conservation of carbon in forests
    - Enhancing forest management, including tending and thinning, and soil conservation

- Climate Governance and Information

- **Best practices and awareness raising activities addressing adaptation needs**

- development and use of adaptation indicators and monitoring systems and the uptake of climate services in adaptation planning at local level
    - understanding the economic and social impacts, as well as costs and effectiveness of adaptation and implementing concrete actions to address such impacts and costs



# LIFE Climate Action 2019 & forests

- Climate Change Adaptation:
  - **Urban adaptation and land use planning which limits the impacts of climate change**
  - **Sustainable management of water in drought-prone areas, flood and coastal management**
  - **Resilience of agricultural, forestry and tourism sectors, including in island and mountain areas, incl:**
    - Forest adaptation to increase its resilience to climate change impacts such as forest fire risk, pest outbreaks, prolonged droughts, etc.
- Deadline for submitting the full proposals – for all Climate Action calls: **12 Sept 2019**

<https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/section/life/calls-proposals>



# LIFE 2019 Integrated Projects

- Large territorial scale, in particular, regional, multiregional, national or trans-national scale, environmental or climate plans or strategies
- Full implementation of the targeted plan or strategy
  - Nature IPs: implementation of Prioritised Action Frameworks elaborated pursuant to Article 8 of the Habitats Directive
  - Water Ips: implementation of River Basin Management Plans and their proposed actions such as targeted afforestation, wetland creation, reinstatement of floodplains
  - Climate change adaptation IPs: implementation of national, regional or local specific adaptation strategy or action plan
- Deadline for submitting a concept note: **5 Sept 2019**

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# Common Agricultural Policy

- In the CAP 2014 – 2020 90% of the rural development programmes have forest measures
- A total support of 8.2 billion Euro
- 30% of the RDPs have restoration measures from natural disasters out of which the majority is the restoration after forest fires
- By the end of 2017 423 million euro public expenditure was spend on restoration



# Cohesion Policies

- Restoration measures can be included in the regional development programmes
- 21 Member States are investing in disaster risks
  - **Floods (17 MS)**
  - **Erosion and coastal protection (9 MS)**
  - **Forest fires (6 MS)**
  - **Earthquakes (6 MS)**
  - **Landslides (5 MS)**
  - **Droughts (5 MS)**
  - **Only 1 country has storms in the RDP (Latvia)**