

BIOPAMA Action Component

Brief introduction to the BIOPAMA Action Component
and the Medium Grants

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BIOPAMA provides unique and tailored support to protected area authorities and stakeholders in the ACP countries to address their priorities for improved management and governance of biodiversity and natural resources.



The Reference Information Systems



The Regional Observatories



The Action Component (grant-making)



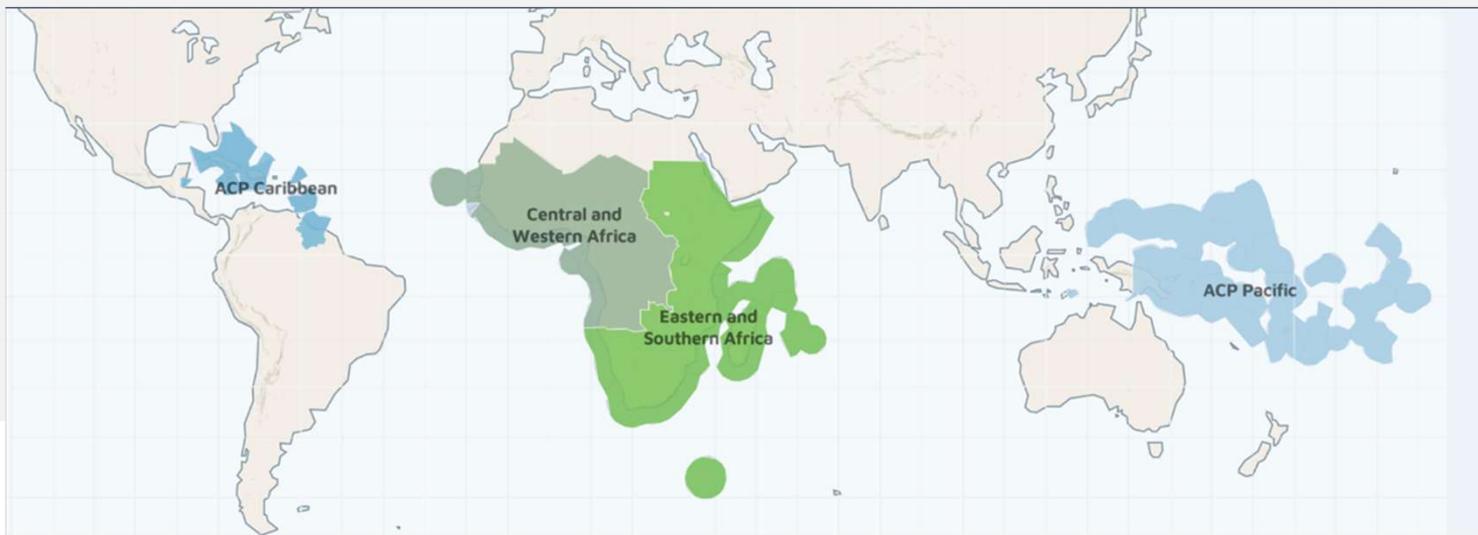
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Region	Indicative budget*
Caribbean	3M
Pacific	3M
West Africa	3M
Central Africa	3M
East Africa	3M
Southern Africa	3M
Full competition	3M

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Action Component (2019-2023)

Main objective



Improve biodiversity conservation in *priority areas* through funding tangible on the ground actions that are addressing management and governance *priorities actions* identified by *diagnostic tools*.

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Action Component's specific objectives

- ✓ **Enhance** the **management and governance of priority areas** by addressing existing limitations (strengthening on-site infrastructure/equipment for patrolling, poaching control, developing capacity of staff);
- ✓ **Strengthen** the **legal framework** required to achieve effective biodiversity conservation;
- ✓ **Support local communities'** initiatives aiming to enhance the livelihoods of local people whilst effectively contributing to protected and conserved areas management

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What for? Eligible activities must:

- **Be located in one or several ACP countries**, and within these in priority areas.
- **Address clear priorities for action*** in terms of protected/conserved areas management and governance, sustainable use of natural resources and livelihood of surrounding local communities of the priority areas. The priorities must be **identified by diagnostic tools**.
- **Be consistent with the specific objectives of BIOPAMA Action Component**.
- **Achieve tangible results and impacts** in the field expressed through clear indicators included in the project logical framework.
- **Comply with IUCN Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS)**.
- **Enable data and information sharing** from the project with the BIOPAMA Regional Observatories and RIS.
- **Be cost-efficient and sustainable**.
- **Be of practical field application** and limited in time (confined to the duration of BIOPAMA II) to avoid dependency on the support provided by the Action Component.

! Activities with co-benefits beyond conservation
(e.g. on human well-being, livelihoods, climate change mitigation and adaptation)
will be prioritised.

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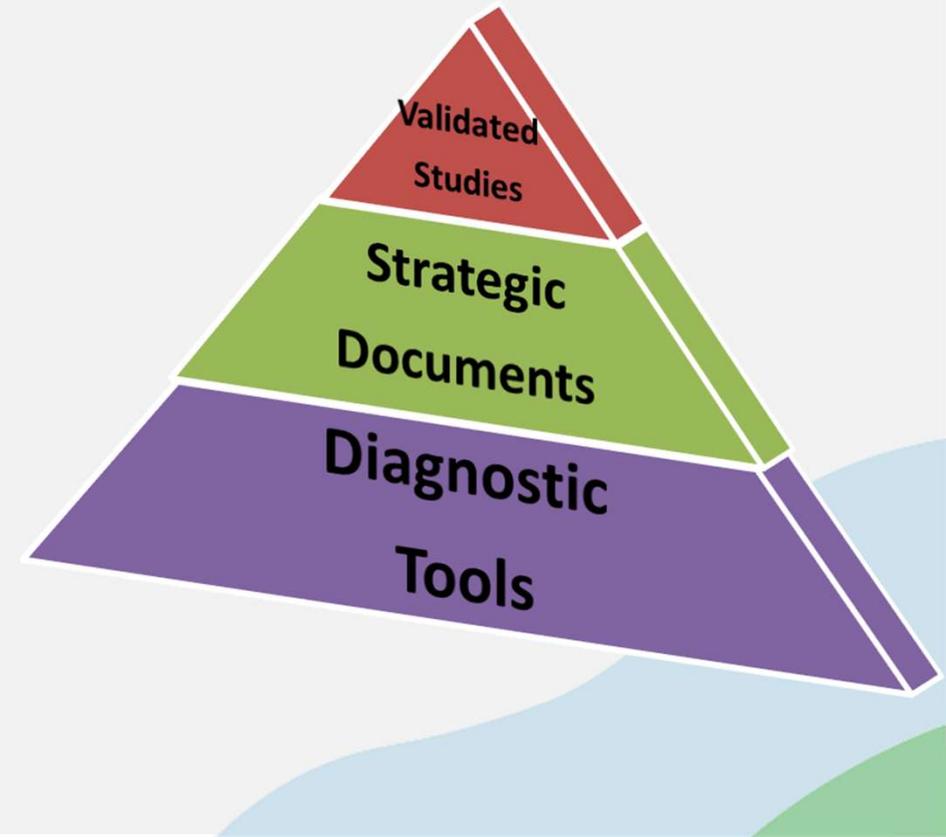
- Address clear **priority activities** identified by diagnostic tools:
- quantified management and governance assessment tools (including IMET, PAME tools – e.g. METT, RAPPAM, Green List, EoH, or equivalent) ;

or, if not available,

- strategic documents at the protected area, national and regional levels ;

and

- studies validated by PA management authorities.



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What for? Priority Activities:

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Country or Area	National Priority Action
Burkina Faso	OPPORTUNITY: Canvass 3 other categories of important areas for biodiversity;
Burkina Faso	OPPORTUNITY: Ensure full protection 2 considered areas and 3 others to be surveyed.
Burkina Faso	OPPORTUNITY: Extend protection to three important areas of essential services provided by ecosystems;
Cameroon	Develop programs for complete identification of biodiversity hotspots in the country;
Cameroon	Creating new protected areas in the ecosystems harboring biodiversity hotspots including mountains and crater lakes;
Central African Republic	Establish a management information system data of importance in biodiversity areas;
Central African Republic	Update National inventories on biodiversity;
Central African Republic	Mobilizing sustainable financing for conservation of existing Protected Areas
Central African Republic	Strengthen the anti poaching devices in its areas (from Representation) - Create at least one protected area in the following sites forming unprotected IBAs in DR Congo: • Lenkivu • Mountains Intombwe (South Kivu) & Create at least one protected area in the following sites forming unprotected areas in the Democratic Republic of Congo: • Mountains Intombwe (South Kivu) & Create at least one protected area in the following sites forming unprotected areas in the Democratic Republic of Congo: • Mountains Intombwe (South Kivu)
DR Congo	Creating protected areas covering about 1.5% of the territory to be protected in order to achieve 17% of the protected territory
DR Congo	Promote the effective implementation of the National Law on Hunting and that relating to the Conservation of Nature and Wildlife
DR Congo	Promoting sustainable forestry by effective support for implementation of the principles of "Community Forestry" in the Democratic Republic of Congo
DR Congo	Identify nationally ecosystems that provide essential services.
DR Congo	Develop and implement with the other entities of the State and stakeholders valuation of biodiversity mechanisms
Equatorial Guinea	5 IBAs and other areas of importance for biodiversity will be protected
Gabon	Conduct studies on the identification of high conservation value sites
Guinea	OPPORTUNITY: Create new PAs
Guinea	Update the Data
Liberia	Strengthen the process of the establishment of proposed protected areas and the creation of additional three National Nature Reserves
Mali	1. Creation of transboundary protected areas with seven neighboring countries of Mali (2016-2020).
Niger	Ecological monitoring in the National Nature Reserve of the Air and Tenere (RNNAT), the Termit and Tin reserve - Toumou



WESTERN AFRICA: regional - level protected area priorities

En 2017, le RAMPAO a initié une étude sur l'« Etat des AMP du RAMPAO » qui dresse un bilan écologique et socioéconomique des aires marines protégées intégrées au RAMPAO, dix ans après la création du réseau. Ce document participatif, fait état des informations sur chacune des AMP du réseau qui serviront de base de référence (i) pour le suivi des succès et des défis associés à la mise en place et à la gestion d'aires marines protégées dans la région et (ii) pour l'actualisation de la stratégie régionale des AMP en Afrique de l'Ouest.

List of regional priorities		
Category (from drop down menu)	Priority identification	Reference document
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> § Améliorer la capacité de gestion technique, humaine et financière des gestionnaires d'AMP en collaborant avec des programmes de formation § Réaliser un suivi régulier de l'évolution des AMP reposant sur un jeu limité, commun et spécifique aux AMP d'indicateurs biologiques, sociaux et économiques. § Effectuer une évaluation annuelle de l'efficacité de gestion des AMP du réseau avec les gestionnaires et les parties prenantes (l'outil IMET pourrait être plébiscité) § Renforcer les partenariats avec les institutions de recherche et programmes de recherche afin de disposer d'analyses de la situation présente et de formulations de projections à 10, 20 et 50 ans, notamment dans le cadre du changement climatique. § Développer la sensibilisation et l'éducation des acteurs de la conservation en collaboration avec des entités extérieures comme les ONG locales et les radios privées. § Organiser des visites d'échanges entre les AMP afin de diffuser les bonnes pratiques et créer des synergies et un mouvement. § Développer l'interface internet du site du RAMPAO de manière à présenter toutes les AMP du réseau et les éléments informationnels afférents. § Développer l'usage des drones pour les activités de suivi, contrôle et surveillance. 	<p>Etat de référence des aires marines protégées du RAMPAO, Pierre Faillier et al., RAMPAO</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> § Le Partenariat Régional pour la Conservation des Ressources Marines et Côtières et le RAMPAO devraient renforcer un leadership régional soutenu pour stimuler le développement de mécanismes financiers innovants et durables, nécessaires pour s'inscrire dans une amélioration continue des processus de gestion adaptative. A cet égard, il est recommandé de capitaliser les résultats d'études et les données et échanger sur les AMP des différents pays afin de partager les connaissances existantes sur les AMP. 	<p>Etude sur les pratiques d'évaluation de l'efficacité de gestion des aires marines protégées et leurs portées/impacts sur les sites concernés dans les pays couverts par le PRCM, Paul Ndiaye et Fatou Lo Planchon</p>



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Navigation: Marine PA cover | Ecoregions | KBAs | Connectivity | PAME | PA commitments | **National Priority Actions** | GEF Projects | IPLC info

! Ineligible activities

The following types of action are **NOT eligible**:

-  The purchase of land or involuntary resettlement of people;
-  Activities on indigenous peoples' lands or territories without having obtained their free, prior and informed consent;
-  Activities on land contested by local communities or indigenous people;
-  Activities that negatively affect physical cultural resources and their access and use, including those important to local communities;
-  The removal or altering of any physical cultural property (includes sites having archaeological, paleontological, historical, religious, or unique natural values);
-  Activities significantly affecting vulnerable groups within local communities, indigenous peoples or where these communities, vulnerable groups, indigenous people have not provided their broad support to the project activities;
-  Activities that include the procurement, handling, storage and use of unlawful pesticides.

! A special attention will be given through an ESMS questionnaire

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Who? Eligible entities

- be a registered public entity;
- be a registered non-profit legal entity;
- be a registered small or medium enterprise (SME);
- ✗ not be individuals or sole traders.

And

- be a national, subnational or local government agency;
- be a protected area or conserved area;
- be a non-governmental organisation (NGO);
- be a local community-based organisation (CBO);
- be a regional organisation carrying out field projects;
- be an international organisation (IGO) carrying out field projects.

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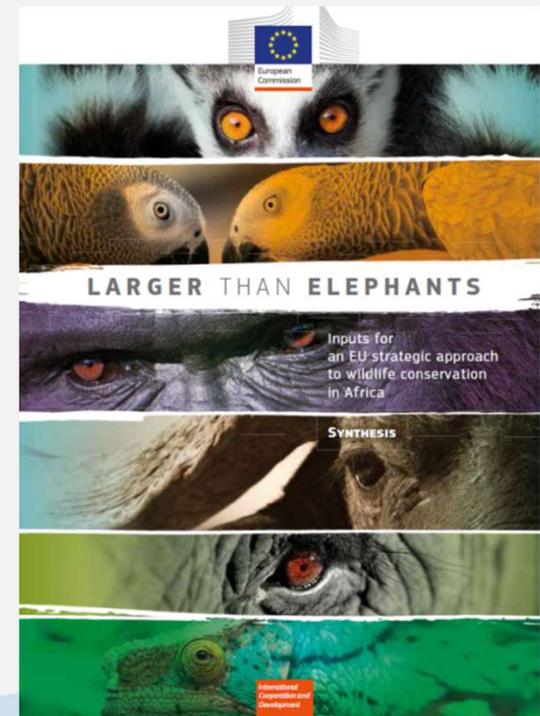
- be directly responsible of the preparation and the management of the project;
- ✗ not be an intermediary.



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Where? ACP Priorities areas

- Priority areas in wider conservation landscapes include inter alia , for the purpose of the Action:
 - **Key landscapes for conservation** (where identified in ACP Countries*),
 - **Transfrontier Conservation Areas (TFCAs)**
 - **Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs),**
 - **Marine Managed Areas** or other **protected and conserved areas**, where their importance is justified by diagnostic tools or strategic documents in ACP Countries, including SIDS.



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- Protects a functioning ecosystem with viable w rural population.
- Recognised as a World Heritage Site for its glol
- Established as a Transfrontier Conservation Ar
- Protects a globally important dry-season conc dispersal zones.
- Protects a long-distance terrestrial wildlife mig is opportunity to recover that migration though.
- Protects the most important populations of free
- Protects the important populations of the Africa
- Protects a key population (as rated by the appr African wildlife species, including predators, prir according to the IUCN Red List Criteria. Particul large home ranges, and which consequently req
- Plays an important role in protecting important Important Bird Areas).
- Protects a regionally important hotspot of endi (scale) protection.
- Contains wildlife landscapes of exceptional scer
- Protects a watershed or aquifer that has direct ecosystems that are themselves of global impo
- Plays a vital role in sustaining a key natural res importance through public, commercial, recreati

West Africa

WAF-01 Desert Niger-Chad-Algeria

WAF-02 Senegal Delta

WAF-03 Banc d'Arguin-Dakhla

WAF-04 WAPOK (W, Arly, Pendjari, Oti Monduri-Keran)

WAF-05 Comoe-Mole

WAF-06 Niokolo-Badiar-Bafing-Baoulé-Faleme

WAF-07 Gourma-Sahel-Inner Niger

WAF-08 Lion KLC

WAF-09 Volta Trans-Boundary Ecosystem

WAF-10 Tai-Sapo

WAF-11 Gola-Lofa-Foya

WAF-12 Outamba-Kilimi

WAF-13 Ankasa-Bia-Nini Suhien

WAF-14 Rio Cacheu-Bijagos

WAF-15 Saloum

WAF-16 Basse Casamance

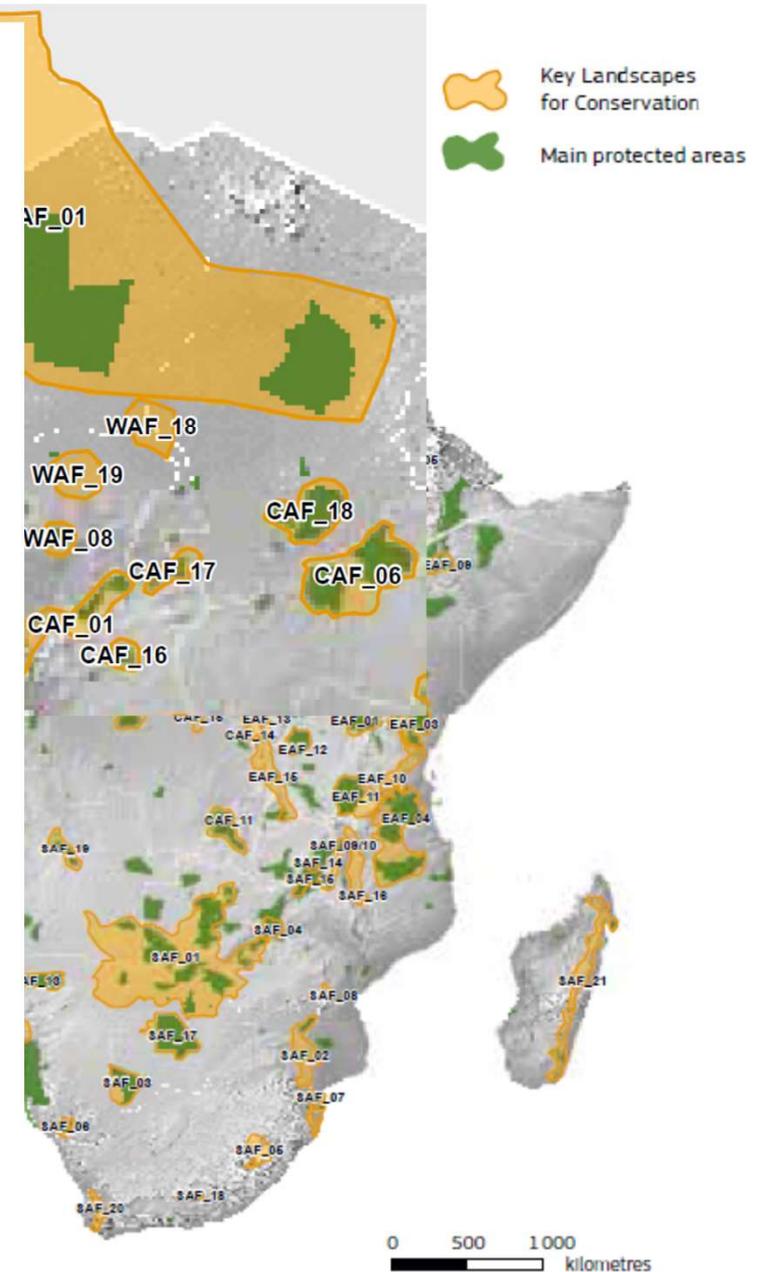
WAF-17 Keta-Songor

WAF-18 Lake Chad Basin

WAF-19 Hadeja-Nguru

WAF-20 Sherbro and Turtle Islands

WAF-21 Nimba



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How? Types of Grants

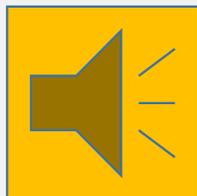
- Swift and Technical \leq € 50 000
- Small \leq € 100 000
- Medium \leq € 400 000



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Type of Grant	Max. Amount	Max. Duration	Scale
Swift and Technical Grants	≤ € 50 000	12 months	Local level
Small Grants	> € 50 000 and ≤ € 100 000	12-24 months	Local /National levels
Medium Grants	> € 100 000 and ≤ € 400 000	36 months	National/Regional levels

How?



Several rounds of
calls for proposals





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The BIOPAMA Action Component provides funding opportunities to address protected and conserved areas, sustainable use of biodiversity, natural resources priorities for actions on the ground in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific (ACP) countries.

Apply for medium grants

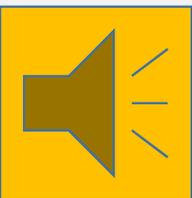
The BIOPAMA Action Component has launched the call for proposals for medium grants

Submission of proposals closes on 21 September 2019 at 23:59 CET:

days 86 hours 15 min 27 sec 54

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2019 Medium Grant Call Launched on 24/06/2019!



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THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR MEDIUM GRANTS 2019 IS OPEN!

On 24 June 2019, BIOPAMA has opened the first call for proposals under the "Action component", concerning medium grants in order to transform knowledge into actions.

Applications can be submitted in English or French **by 21 September 2019 at 23:59** (Brussels date and time), via the online application portal. Applications cannot be submitted after this deadline.

Your journey will start by creating your user account in the applications portal.

All the potential applicants are strongly advised to **read carefully** the "Guidelines for Applicants – BIOPAMA Action component medium grants 2019" and the BIOPAMA AC ESMS manual before engaging in the application process.

[GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS – BIOPAMA ACTION COMPONENT MEDIUM GRANTS 2019](#)

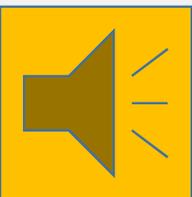
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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE OBJECTIVES AND CRITERIA FOR THE BIOPAMA ACTION COMPONENT

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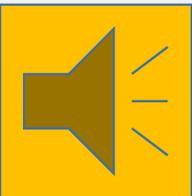
2019 Medium Grant Call budget : 7 200 000 EUR

Grant size:

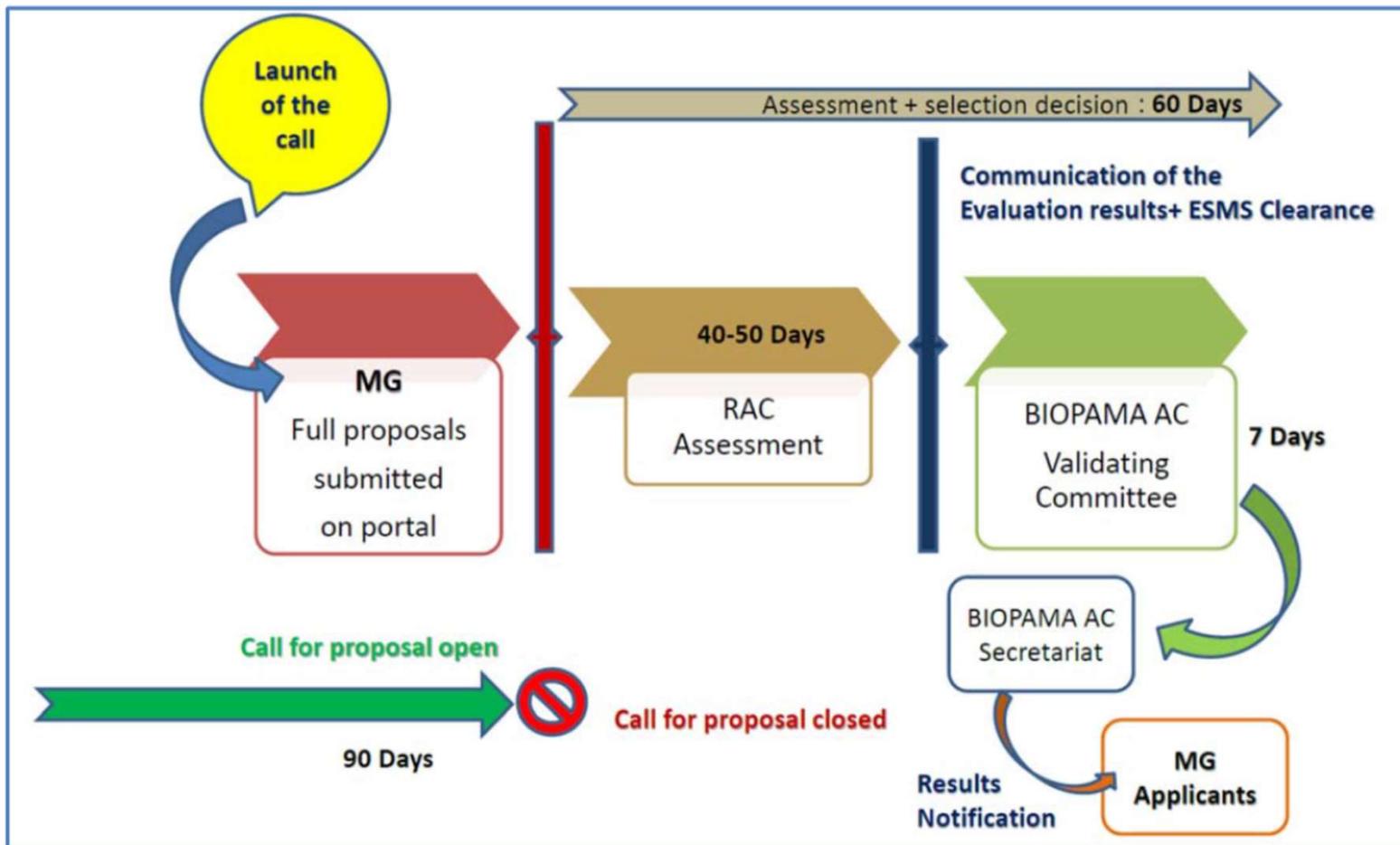
- Minimum amount: EUR 100 000
- Maximum amount: EUR 400 000

BIOPAMA AC will provide up to a **maximum of 95 %** of the total eligible costs of the project.

The applicants are required to provide a **minimum of 5% co-financing**.



BIOPAMA MG Proposal Cycle (in calendar days)



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Who? Eligible entities for Medium Grants

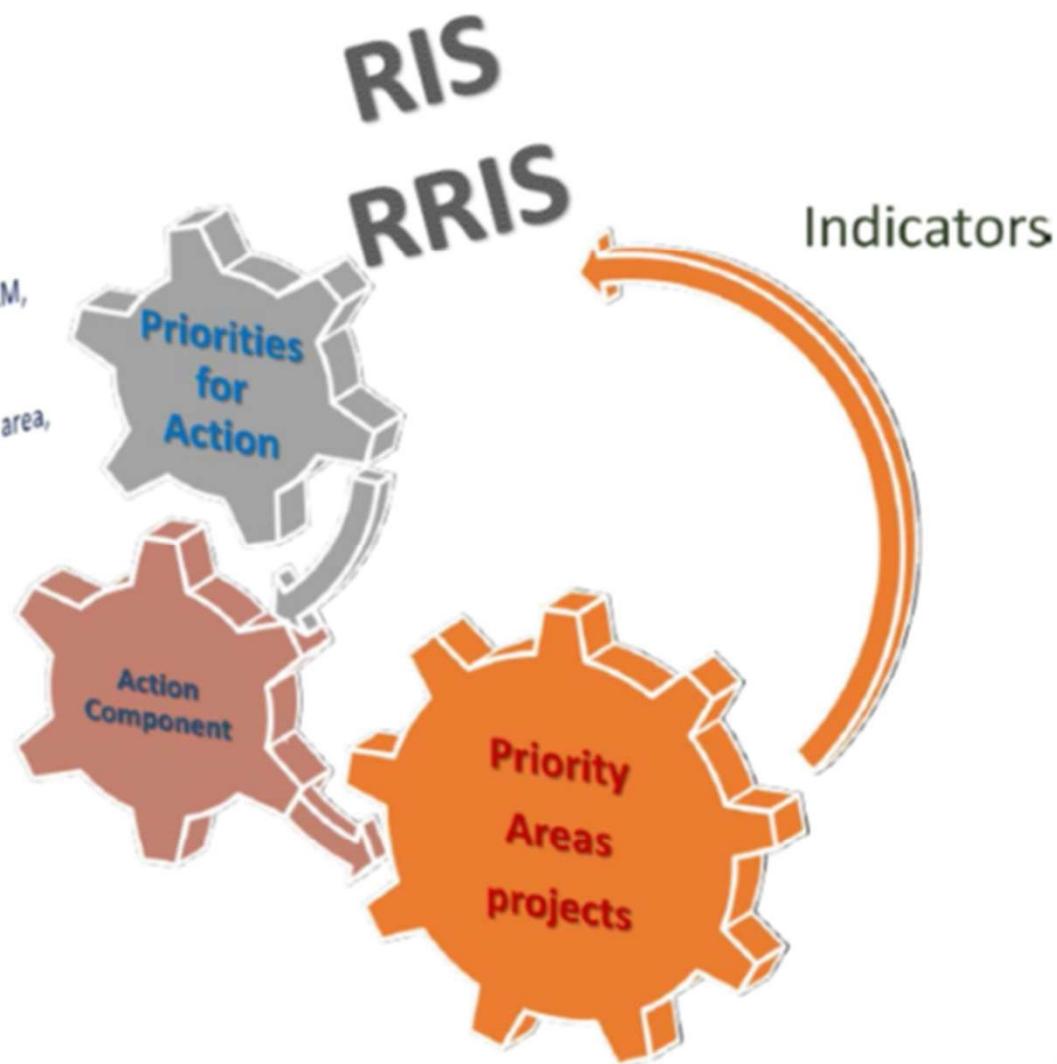


Applicant	Medium Grant Eligibility
Local civil society organisations (e.g., NGOs), non-profit organisations, CBOs,	 *
Small socio-professional organisations, small profit organisations (5-10 permanent staff, annual balance sheet or turnover <EUR 2 million)	 *
Municipalities, cities	 *
Protected areas, NGOs managing Protected areas, Conserved areas, ICCAS	 *
National network of Protected Areas	
Regional Network of Protected Areas	
National civil society organisation, national NGO, national non-profit organisations	
National authorities, agencies, bodies and services	
EU Member State organisations, EU OCTs organisations, OECD Member State organisations	 **
Regional organisations	 **
International organisations	 **

Diagnostic Tools

IMET, PAME tools – e.g. METT, RAPPAM,
Green List, EoH, or equivalent;
If not available
Strategic Documents at the protected area,
national and regional levels
If not available
Validated Studies

Call for proposals



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