

BLUE ACTION BANOS

EMPOWERING
SUSTAINABLE
TRANSITIONS FOR
BALTIC & NORTH SEA
BLUE COMMUNITIES

What is BlueActionBANOS?

BlueActionBANOS is a four-year EU-funded initiative (September 2025 – August 2029) dedicated to empowering local and regional communities across the Baltic and North Sea (BANOS) region.

The project supports real, community-led solutions that help restore marine and freshwater ecosystems, reduce pollution, and accelerate the transition to a climate-neutral and circular blue economy, aligned with the EU Mission Restore our Ocean and Waters by 2030.

Through targeted funding, expert guidance, and matchmaking opportunities, BlueActionBANOS is here to help communities turn ideas into action.

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Funding Opportunities

BlueActionBANOS offers **two types of funding opportunities** to support communities in ocean and water restoration efforts. So if you are an NGO, regional authority, educational institution, local company, or research organisation in the Baltic and North Sea basin (BANOS) countries - this opportunity is for you!

A total of **3 open calls** will be launched throughout the 4-year period of the BlueActionBANOS project:

- 1 Community-Led Actions call and
- 2 Transition Agendas calls.

The first calls were launched on 28 November 2025 and close on 29 May 2026.



Community-Led Actions

- Grants ranging from **€200,000 to €2 million** to carry out action-oriented projects that tackle pollution, restore marine ecosystems, or advance sustainable blue economy solutions.
- Designed for teams or consortia of 2 to 12 entities registered in Baltic and North Sea basin (BANOS) countries.
- Up to 24 months of programme support



Transition Agendas

- Up to **€100,000** each to design action plans guiding local sustainability, marine or freshwater ecosystem restoration, decarbonisation and climate adaptation pathways
- Designed for individual entities or consortia of up to 3 entities registered in the Baltic and North Sea basin (BANOS) countries
- Up to 18 months of programme support



More Than Financial Support

In addition to funding, BlueActionBANOS provides tailored technical assistance to ensure successful implementation.

This includes expert mentoring, peer-to-peer learning, and capacity-building support delivered through dedicated Project Key Accounts and thematic Expert Forums.