

BlueActionBANOS

Community-Led Actions Open Call

Full Proposal Form

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Call deadline: **29 May 2026, 14:00 (Brussels time)**



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Only full proposals submitted via the online form, following the Project Idea Form submission and individual consultation, will be considered.*

INTRO

Welcome to BlueActionBANOS Open Call for Community-Led Actions (CLAs) - it is time to complete the full proposal!

The deadline for this Open Call is 29 May 2026 14:00 (Brussels time).

You can edit your proposal form after submission - but only until the deadline.

Questions marked with (*) are mandatory.

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

Action acronym*

Short name of your Community-Led Action

Contact person - First name*

Contact person - Last name*

Email address*

Enter the mail address you want to use to receive communications

Phone number

How did you hear about BlueActionBANOS Open Call?*

Dropdown

2. LEGAL INFORMATION

Coordinator

Full legal name of the Coordinating entity (Coordinator)*

Coordinator's website*

Coordinator's entity type*

Dropdown

Country of the Coordinator's registration*

Dropdown

Registration address of the Coordinator's entity*

Date of registration of the Coordinator's entity*

Is the Coordinator's entity linked financially or personally with any of the BlueActionBANOS partners? Please refer to the FAQ Document for the Conflict of Interest Definition and check the complete list of BlueActionBANOS Partners on the project's website: <https://blueactionbanos.eu>*

Yes/No

If "yes" is selected:

Please describe the nature of the relationship.*

Please remember that public bodies, universities, and research organisations from EU or Associated countries must have a Gender Equality Plan (GEP). Does your organisation have a GEP?*

Yes/No/Not applicable (the entity is not a public body, university or research organisation)

If yes, please provide a link to where your GEP is published.*

Please provide a publicly accessible link

Please remember that locally based companies cannot be in conflict with State Aid rules. Therefore, please confirm:*

I confirm that my company's participation in the BlueActionBANOS project and receipt of the FSTP grant is not in conflict with the State Aid rules.

True/False/Not applicable (the entity is not a locally based company)

Partner 1

The same questions as for "Coordinator"

Partner 2

The same questions as for "Coordinator"

The form allows for the inclusion of a Coordinator and a maximum of 11 additional Partners.

3. PROJECT INFORMATION

Full name of your Community-Led Action (CLA)*

Full name of your project (max. 150 characters including spaces)

Tagline: describe the subject of your proposed CLA in one sentence*

(max. 250 characters including spaces)

Country/countries where you are planning to implement the CLA*

Multiple-select dropdown

Region(s) where you are planning to implement the CLA*

(max. 300 characters including spaces)

Which objective(s) of Mission Ocean will your CLA contribute to?*

Multiple-select list

What type of community(ies) will your CLA benefit?*

Multiple-select list

4. RELEVANCE - relevance of the proposed Community-Led Action (CLA) to the Call

Ambition - proposals' relevance to the Call objectives and expected results

How does your proposed CLA contribute to the BlueActionBANOS project scope (e.g., the Mission Ocean and Waters target, the target community)?*

(max 2000 characters including spaces)

What are the challenges or gaps in your target region/community (state-of-the-art baseline) that your CLA will address?*

(max 2000 characters including spaces)

Innovation - the level of innovation of the proposed CLA in relation to the community in which it will be implemented, and how it will differentiate itself within the Action implementation area.

In what ways is your Action innovative, i.e. new or different for the local community(ies) you are targeting (even if similar ideas exist elsewhere)?*

(max 2000 characters including spaces)

Soundness of the approach and credibility/ feasibility of the proposed methodology

What understanding does your CLA project Consortium have of the community (or location) in which you plan to act? What local knowledge, experience or data have you drawn on? Here, you should demonstrate that your proposal is based on a deep understanding of the sector, community or location in which the Action will be implemented and on the latest available scientific data.*

(max 2000 characters including spaces)

Which local actors (community groups, civil society, private sector, local authorities etc.) have you involved until now, and how will they participate in the design and execution of your Action? By answering this question you should demonstrate that your proposal includes transdisciplinary elements and relies on collaboration with various community actors (e.g. experts, civil society, private sector, local communities and authorities etc.) to ensure success and/or the longevity/sustainability of the project output.*

(max 2000 characters including spaces)

5. IMPACT

Measurable Impact - the proposed Action is designed to have a measurable impact in supporting at least one of the Mission Ocean and Waters objectives.

What concrete changes, supporting Mission Ocean and Waters objectives, do you expect your CLA to bring about in the community or environment? How will you measure or observe these changes?*

(max 2000 characters including spaces)

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

- **Performance KPIs (minimum 2 required)***

Provide at least two Performance KPIs. Performance KPIs measure the implementation of your Action and the delivery of its outputs. For each KPI, describe the following elements in one text field: KPI Name/ Definition (what it measures and why it matters)/ Baseline Value/ Target Value/ Data Source/ Measurement Method/ Reporting Frequency/ PESTLE Category (Political, Economic, Social, Technological, Legal, Environmental).

(max 2000 characters including spaces)

- **Short-term Impact KPI (minimum 1 required)***

Provide at least one Short-term Impact KPI. These indicators measure the immediate outcomes of your Action during its lifetime. Include: KPI Name/ Definition/ Baseline Value/ Target Value/ Data Source/ Measurement Method/ Reporting Frequency/ PESTLE Category. Short-term impact KPIs must align with your expected outcomes.

(max 1500 characters including spaces)

- **Long-term Impact KPI (minimum 1 required)***

Provide at least one Long-term Impact KPI. These indicators describe the changes expected after the Action ends and must align with at least one Mission Ocean objective. Include: KPI Name/ Definition/ Baseline Value/ Target Value/ Data Source / Measurement Method/ Reporting Frequency (if monitoring continues)/ PESTLE Category. If another actor will be responsible for long-term monitoring, briefly specify who.

(max 1500 characters including spaces)

- **KPI Narrative***

Explain how your KPIs reflect your Action's impact pathway (Activities-Outputs-Outcomes-Long-term Impacts). Describe why these KPIs are appropriate, credible and feasible. Mention any assumptions behind baselines and targets.

(max 1500 characters including spaces)

Societal Impact - the proposed Action has the potential to inspire, engage, and educate the communities it targets (experts, private sector, local communities, citizens, authorities, youth, etc.) with due consideration for diversity, equity and inclusion, and - where appropriate - involvement of vulnerable or marginalised communities.

Who specifically in the community will benefit from your CLA (for example: citizens, local businesses, vulnerable or marginalised groups)? How will you ensure diversity, equity and inclusion in your approach?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

Economic/Technological impact - the results of the proposed Action are significant and transferrable to other communities outside the local implementation community during and after the Action's lifetime (long-term financial sustainability).

How does your CLA link to broader regional or transnational challenges, strategies or policies relevant to the North and/or Baltic Sea Region (or your region/area of operation specifically)?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

How will the results of your CLA continue after the project ends? Can the experience or method be transferred or adapted by other communities or settings?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

6. IMPLEMENTATION - quality of the proposed Community-Led Action (CLA) design and plan

Work Plan - proposed Action's objectives are clearly defined and realistic, and the Action work plan is clear, complete, and effective.

What are your main objectives, and how realistic are they given the resources, time and context of your CLA? Please outline your work plan: key activities, milestones, who does what, and when.*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

What are your assumptions about external existing political, economic, social, legal and environmental factors (PESTLE) in the community your Action addresses? How will these contribute to your Action's implementation?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

How do you plan to integrate the technical assistance mechanism into your project? What type of technical assistance do you foresee that you will need? When should it be provided in your project's timeline? What goal should it achieve?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

Resources - proposed Action is cost-effective and allocates appropriate resources to each activity.

What is the reasoning behind the composition of your CLA Consortium?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

How have you allocated resources (budget, people, materials) in a way that is efficient and appropriate for each activity?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

Add a cost estimate for the proposed CLA, according to the cost categories below, considering the maximum 24-month period for project implementation:

Personnel costs: costs of the team members participating in the CLA - estimated Full Time Equivalent (FTE) persons that each team participating in the granted Action have to allocate (in EUR)*

Travel costs: costs of business travel related to the CLA implementation (in EUR)*

Purchases: purchase cost of goods, works, equipment and services connected to the CLA and necessary for its implementation, directly linked to the performance of the Action i.e. to achieve the Action's objectives (in EUR)*

Overheads: 25% of the abovementioned costs (in EUR)*

Total costs (in EUR)*

How will the total costs be distributed among CLA Consortium partners? Please add an indication of percentage share for all Action partners involved.

- Coordinator
Entity name*
Percentage share in the total costs*
%
- Partner 1
Entity name*
Percentage share in the total costs*
%
- Partner 2
Entity name*
Percentage share in the total costs*
%

The form allows for the inclusion of a Coordinator and a maximum of 11 additional Partners.

Team - applicants experience and profile

How is your organisation (and your partner organisations) rooted in the stakeholder/community context where you will implement the proposed CLA? What is your experience or past involvement in this field or community?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

Please describe the expertise and experience of key team members of your CLA in the sector(s) addressed (through a demonstrated track record of previous activities).*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

Gender diversity and inclusion: How will you contribute to gender diversity and inclusion within your CLA team?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

List key team members (minimum 3, maximum 10) that will be directly responsible for CLA implementation

- Key team member 1
Provide the team member complete name (first name and surname)*
Provide the team member LinkedIn (or alternative) profile*
Briefly describe responsibilities within CLA implementation*
(max. 1000 characters including spaces)
- Key team member 2
Provide the team member complete name (first name and surname)*
Provide the team member LinkedIn (or alternative) profile*
Briefly describe responsibilities within CLA implementation*
(max. 1000 characters including spaces)
- Key team member 3
Provide the team member complete name (first name and surname)*
Provide the team member LinkedIn (or alternative) profile*
Briefly describe responsibilities within CLA implementation*
(max. 1000 characters including spaces)

The form allows for the inclusion of a maximum 10 key team members.

Stakeholder and/or citizen engagement - proposed CLA foresees a clear stakeholder and/or citizen engagement, dissemination and exploitation strategy (including attracting additional funding during and after the project's lifetime).

How will you engage local stakeholders and/or citizens (where appropriate) throughout the CLA (from design through implementation and dissemination)?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

What is your plan for communication, sharing results, attracting additional funding and making sure that the CLA's outcomes are used and exploited after the lifetime of the project?*

(max. 2000 characters including spaces)

7. ETHICS SELF-ASSESSMENT

For all questions in this section, if the answer is "Yes", an obligatory "Please specify" text field is added (max. 1500 characters with spaces).

HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS AND HUMAN EMBRYOS

Does your CLA involve Human Embryonic Stem Cells (hESCs)?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve the use of human embryos?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve the use of other human embryonic or foetal tissues / cells?*

Yes/No

HUMANS

Does your CLA involve human participants?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve interventions (physical also including imaging technology, behavioural treatments, tracking and tracing, etc.) on the study participants?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve conducting a clinical study as defined by the Clinical Trial Regulation 536/2014 (using pharmaceuticals, biologicals, radiopharmaceuticals, or advanced therapy medicinal products)?*

Yes/No

HUMAN CELLS or TISSUES

Does your CLA involve the use of human cells or tissues (other than those covered above)?*

Yes/No

PERSONAL DATA

Does your CLA involve processing of personal data?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve further processing of previously collected personal data (including use of preexisting data sets or sources, merging existing data sets)?*

Yes/No

Is it planned to export personal data (data transfer) from the EU to nonEU countries?*

Is it planned to import personal data (data transfer) from non-EU countries into the EU or from a nonEU country to another non-EU country?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve the processing of personal data related to criminal convictions or offences?*

Yes/No

ANIMALS

Does your CLA involve animals?*

Yes/No

NON-EU COUNTRIES

Will some of your CLA activities be carried out in non-EU countries?*

Yes/No

In case non-EU countries are involved, do the CLA activities undertaken in these countries raise potential ethics issues?*

Yes/No

Is it planned to import any material (other than data) from non-EU countries into the EU or from a nonEU country to another non-EU country?*

Yes/No

Is it planned to export any material (other than data) from the EU to non-EU countries?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve low and/or lower-middle income countries?*

Yes/No

Could the situation in the country put the individuals taking part in the activity at risk?*

Yes/No

ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH & SAFETY

Does your CLA involve the use of substances or processes (or technologies) that may cause harm to the environment, to animals or plants (during the implementation of the activity or further to the use of the results, as a possible impact)?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA deal with endangered fauna and/or flora / protected areas?*

Yes/No

Does your CLA involve the use of substances or processes (or technologies) that may cause harm to humans, including those performing the activity (during the implementation of the activity or further to the use of the results, or the deployment of the technology as a possible impact)?*

Yes/No

Does the AI to be developed/used in your CLA project raise any other ethical issues not covered by the questions above (e.g., subliminal, covert or deceptive AI, AI that is used to stimulate addictive behaviours, lifelike humanoid robots, etc.)?*

Yes/No

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Does your CLA involve the development, deployment and/or use of Artificial Intelligence-based systems?*

Yes/No

Could the AI based system/technique potentially stigmatise or discriminate against people (e.g. based on sex, race, ethnic or social origin, age, genetic features, disability, sexual orientation, language, religion or belief, membership to a political group, or membership to a national minority)?*

Yes/No

Does the AI system/technique interact, replace or influence human decision-making processes (e.g. issues affecting human life, health, well-being or human rights, or economic, social or political decisions)?*

Yes/No

Does the AI system/technique have the potential to lead to negative social (e.g. on democracy, media, labour market, freedoms, educational choices, mass surveillance) and/or environmental impacts either through intended applications or plausible alternative uses?*

Yes/No

OTHER ETHICS ISSUES

Are there any other ethics issues that should be taken into consideration?*

Yes/No

8. DECLARATIONS OF HONOUR

I submitted the Project Idea Form and had a consultation with BlueActionBANOS Experts before submitting this full proposal form.*

Yes/No

I have read and understood the information about the project, as provided in the Terms & Conditions (T&C) for this Open Call.*

Yes/No

I acknowledge that the evaluators and the European Commission and its bodies and agencies may have access to the data collected under this Open Call.*

Yes/No

The data provided in this full proposal form are true and up-to-date.*

Yes/No

The Community-Led Action proposal does not violate third-party IPR; IPR to the proposed Community-Led Action is not subject to any dispute.*

True/False

The entities I represent meet the eligibility conditions described in the Terms & Conditions (T&C) for this Open Call.*

Yes/No

Community-Led Action Consortium partner entities are not linked to each other by capital.*

True/False

There is no conflict of interest between the companies I represent and any of the consortium partners.*

True/False

Moreover, the entity I represent , or persons with power of representation, decision-making or control over the aforementioned legal entity:

- is/ are not listed on the EU sanction list : <https://www.sanctionsmap.eu>, which means that is/are not subject to EU restrictive measures under Article 29 of the Treaty on the European Union (TEU) and Article 215 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU (TFEU)*

True/False

- is /are not bankrupt or being wound up, is not having its affairs administered by the courts, has not entered into an arrangement with creditors, has not suspended business activities, is not the subject of proceedings concerning those matters, or is not in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations,*

True/False

- has/have not been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct by a judgment which has the force of res judicata*

True/False

- has/have not been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means which the contracting authority can justify, including by decisions of the European Investment Bank and international organisations*

True/False

- is/are in compliance with their obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions or the payment of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which it is established or with those of the country of the contracting authority or those of the country where the contract is to be performed*

True/False

- has/have not been the subject of a judgment which has the force of res judicata for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organisation or any other illegal activity, where such illegal activity is detrimental to the Union's financial interests*

True/False

- is/are not subject to an administrative penalty for being guilty of misrepresenting the information required by the contracting authority as a condition of participation in a grant award procedure or another procurement procedure, or failing to supply this information, or has/have not been declared to be in serious breach of their obligations under contracts or grants covered by the Union's budget.*

True/False

I did not make false declarations in supplying the information required, as a condition of participation in the Open Call or do not fail to supply this information.*

True/False

9. PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

The information clause concerning processing of the personal data is available at <https://fundingbox.com/privacy-notices/open-call/>.

I confirm that I read and understood the Privacy Notice concerning processing of the personal data provided above.*

Yes

I confirm that I passed the Privacy Notice provided to all persons mentioned in the application form.*

Yes

I confirm that I have legal basis for processing personal data of all persons listed in the application form.*

Yes