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Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE Programme:
Funding opportunities - third call for proposals
Key figures

- 85 projects funded in 2 calls (160m EUR ERDF)
- Call 3 launched on 21 September 2017

Covering part of the Carpathian region (CZ, HU, PL, SK)
Where do we stand?

85 transnational projects, worth 190m EUR, are implementing smart solutions facing challenges shared across central European regions in the fields of:

- Innovation
- Low Carbon
- Environment & Culture
- Transport
Framework of third call

- **ERDF**: Indicatively around 60 million EUR
- **Priorities**: All 4 priorities are open
- **Specific objectives**: Open to proposals in 9 specific objectives
- **Focused**: Focus on pre-defined topics in some SOs

- **Co-financing rate**: Up to 85 percent of co-financing
- **Procedure**: Submission of full applications in one step
- **eMS**: Submission through online system only
- **Duration**: 21 September 2017 to 25 January 2018
Cooperating beyond borders in central Europe to make our cities and regions better places to live and work

**Priority axis 1**
Cooperating on innovation to make CENTRAL EUROPE more competitive

**Specific objective 1.1**
To improve innovation capacities for green and sustainable innovation in Central Europe

**Specific objective 1.2**
To improve territorial innovation capacities and enhance the role of knowledge in innovation processes in central European regions

**Priority axis 2**
Cooperating on low carbon strategies in CENTRAL EUROPE

**Specific objective 2.1**
To improve territorial energy efficiency and the role of energy in public transport

**Specific objective 2.2**
To improve territory-based low carbon energy planning strategies and policies supporting climate change mitigation

**Specific objective 2.3**
To improve environmental management of functional urban areas to make them more liveable places

**Priority axis 3**
Cooperating on natural and cultural resources for sustainable growth in CENTRAL EUROPE

**Specific objective 3.1**
To improve integrated environmental management capacities for the protection and sustainable use of natural heritage and resources

**Specific objective 3.2**
To improve territorial management of natural heritage and biodiversity

**Priority axis 4**
Cooperating on transport to better connect CENTRAL EUROPE

**Specific objective 4.1**
To improve planning and coordination of regional passenger transport systems for better connections to national and European transport networks

**Specific objective 4.2**
To improve coordination among freight transport stakeholders for increasing multimodal environment-friendly freight solutions
Project example

“HABIT-CHANGE ”- Saving protected habitats from climate change (CE 2007-2013) (ca. 3.5 m EUR)

Aim:
Improving management and conservation strategies for protected sites to proactively adapt to climate change impacts

- Establishing a network of meteorological stations within national parks and biosphere reserves
- Science-management cooperation for local adaptation strategies
- Analysing impacts of climate change including habitat sensitivity and future changes
- Development of Climate Adapted Management Plans, uptake into national climate change policies
- 16 investigation areas within 7 EU countries covering also the Carpathian region (Natural Park Bucegi, RO)
Project example

“3Lynx” – Protecting Eurasian Lynx, an Endangered Hunter (ca. 2,3 m EUR)

**Aim:**
Common strategies for conservation, habitat management and public awareness against illegal lynx killing

- Harmonised lynx monitoring and protection at population and transnational level
- Involvement of key stakeholders through participative methodologies
- Connecting the developed strategy to multinational policy platforms (EUSALP, EUSDR, Alpine and Carpathian Conventions)
- Transnational agreements among nature conservation authorities
- 3 border areas (CZ-DE-AT, AT-SI-IT and SI-HR) linked to the main 3 transnational lynx populations
Who we fund

- Public authorities and related entities
- Regional development and innovation agencies
- Enterprises (including SMEs)
- Chambers of commerce and other associations
- NGOs
- Financing institutions
- Technology transfer institutions, universities and research institutes
- Energy suppliers and management institutions
- Environmental facilities
- Education and training organisations
- Transport operators and infrastructure providers

... and others

Beneficiaries can cover the full range of stakeholders
THIRD CALL - SUPPORT MEASURES

- 7-8 November 2017, Prague (CZ) - Thematic workshops and (lead) applicant training
- September-November 2017 - National information days

- Application manual for the third call
- Partner search tools - Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE Online Community and LinkedIn
- General guidance by national contact points
- Webinars on specific issues
- Helpdesk

More information: www.interreg-central/apply
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