

European Partnerships: Biodiversa+ & Water4All



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European Partnerships

TA CR - the main provider of state funding for research and innovation in the Czech Republic. The Technology Agency of the Czech Republic simplifies the state support of applied research and experimental development.

European Partnerships

Mechanisms within Horizon Europe (as ERA-NET Cofunds within Horizon 2020), the European Framework Programme for Research and Innovation. These instruments provide opportunities for funding organisations from individual EU Member States (such as TA CR), associated countries and also some non-European countries to launch joint international calls for proposals (“Calls”) under various agreed themes.

Partnership	Thematic Scope	Type
Driving Urban Transition (DUT)	Connectivity, Smart Cities	Co-funded
Clean Energy Transition (CET)	Clean Energy	Co-funded
<u>Biodiversa+</u>	Biodiversity Protection	Co-funded
Water 4all	Water Security	Co-funded

Calls under the Partnerships - How does it work?

Funding organisations (TA CR): develop - and lately launch - a specific Call under the Partnership

You (applicants): find your international colleagues, develop a research project, form a “project-consortium” and submit the project (“pre-proposal”) into the Call.

Eligibility - compliance with the rules at 2 levels:

a) International-Call level sets prerequisites such as: composition of the project consortium (e.g. at least 3 project-partners from at least 3 countries); eligible topics...

b) National-Funding-Organisation level sets prerequisites such as: funding rate (e.g. 85 %); maximum amount of funding (e.g. 170 000 EUR per project); eligible applicants (e.g. Research organisations and enterprises)

**each funding organisation funds only its national applicants (within the international project consortium)*

Once eligibility-check completed (both levels) -> qualitative project-evaluation (conducted by international experts): usually against several criteria, such as: a) *Fit to the scope of the call*, b) *Novelty of the research*, c) *Impact*

European Biodiversity Partnership (Biodiversa+)



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Biodiversa+ Partnership

Objectives

- to promote and support transnational biodiversity monitoring, by building a transnational (pan-European) network of harmonised monitoring schemes on common priorities for Biodiversa+ members
- one of the actions included in the EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030 to 'make the bridge between science, policy and practice, and make nature-based solutions a reality on the ground'

48 Funding Organisations (30+ Countries)

The Partnership's co-created Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda (SRIA): 7 years

6 co-funded Calls for research projects (x already launched: 2021; 2022)

Biodiversa+ Partnership Calls

Call 2021: “Supporting the protection of biodiversity and ecosystems across land and sea”

Objectives: The call – aiming at supporting 3-years transnational research projects – was co-funded by the European Commission and addressed the three (non-exclusive) themes:

- *Knowledge for identifying priority conservation areas, establishing effective and resilient ecological networks, enhancing species-based protection and preserving genetic diversity*
- *Multiple benefits and costs of biodiversity and ecosystem protection: synergies and trade-offs*
- *Effective management and equitable governance to deliver bold conservation outcome*

***Overview:** 209 eligible “pre-proposals” and 106 “full proposals” submitted -> 36 research projects have been shortlisted and recommended for funding

Biodiversa+ Partnership Calls

Call 2022: “Improved transnational monitoring of biodiversity and ecosystem change for science and society”

Objectives: to advance knowledge on biodiversity through monitoring; to improve the knowledge on species distribution and abundance; to evaluate new methods to characterize, understand, and model biodiversity status and dynamics

Addressed topics:

- *Innovation and harmonization of methods and tools for collection and management of biodiversity monitoring data*
- *Addressing knowledge gaps on biodiversity status, dynamics, and trends to reverse biodiversity loss*
- *Making use of available biodiversity monitoring data*

The call covers all environments, i.e. terrestrial, freshwater and marine in Europe and beyond.

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Next Call: 2023 (September)

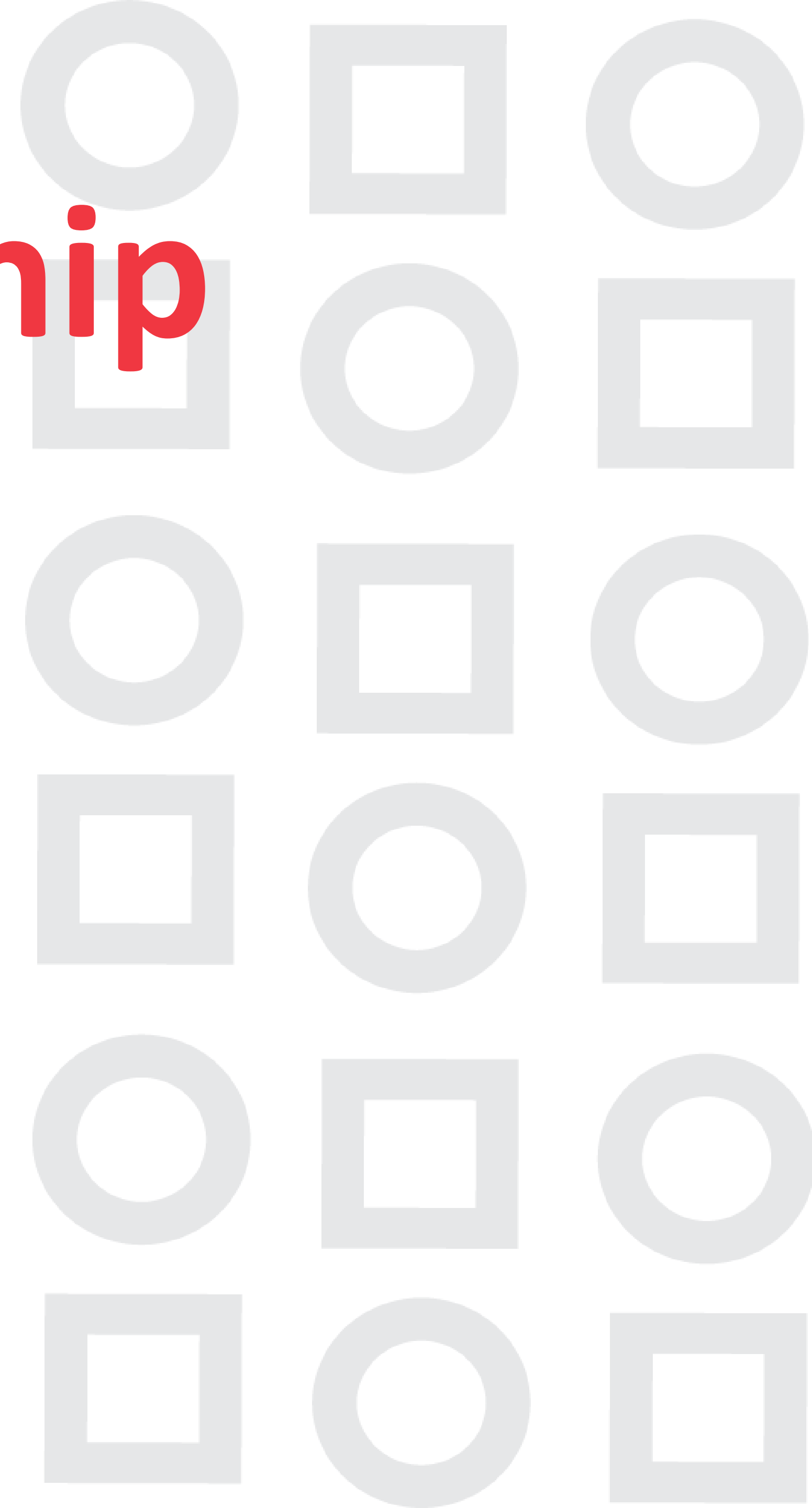
Topics: ongoing discussion...

More information: [TA CR website](#) (CZ), [TA CR website](#) (EN), [Biodiversa+ Website](#), [TA CR Newsletter](#)

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Water4All Partnership

Water4All's Vision: is to “boost the systemic transformations and changes across the entire research – water innovation pipeline, fostering the matchmaking between problem owners and solution providers for ensuring water security for all in the long term”

Contributes to the implementation of: Green Deal, SDGs, Water Framework Directives

Water4All objectives:

- *to safeguard sustainable access to water*
- *ensuring protection against water-borne pollution*
- *to deliver sound knowledge, tools and evidence basis on water for policy- & decision-making*
- *Increase citizens' awareness and engagement for an inclusive water governance*

Partnership duration: 2022 – 2029

6 co-funded Calls for research projects (x 2022 already launched)

Water4All Partnership Calls

Call 2022: “Management of water resources: resilience, adaptation and mitigation to hydroclimatic extreme events and management tools”

Objectives: The Call seeks to deliver knowledge, models, approaches, tools and methodologies to better understand hydrological processes at different scales and to respond more efficiently to emerging water issues related to extreme events.

Addressed topics - Research & innovation proposals submitted under the Water4All 2022 Joint Transnational Call were required to address at least one of the following topics:

- *Resilience, adaptation and mitigation to hydroclimatic extreme events*
- *Tools for water management - in the context of hydroclimatic extreme events*
- *Improved water governance in the context hydroclimatic extreme events and international contexts*

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Next Call: 2023 (Autumn)

Topics: ongoing discussion...

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Thank you for your attention!

More information

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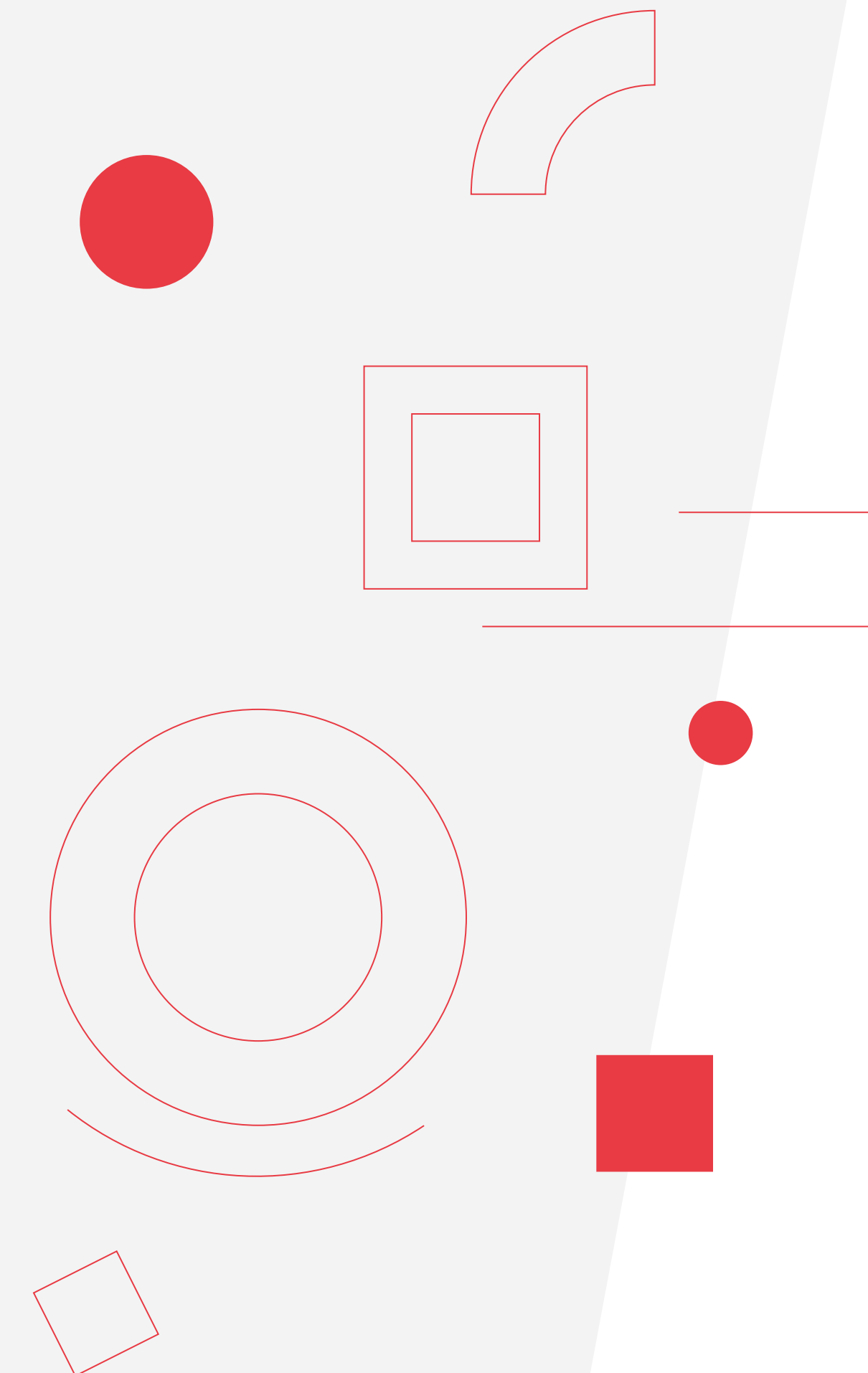
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Water4All Partnership website

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Biodiversa+ Partnership website

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