



# Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises

**EASME**

**Introducing the LIFE Programme 2021-2027**  
*LIFE Programme 2021-2027 - Financing the European Green Deal*

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# Summary

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# New LIFE where are we?



## Timeline

1. European Commission (EC) proposal for new LIFE programme (06/2018)
2. European Parliament (EP) adopted its position with few changes (12/2018)
3. Start (01/2019) of inter-institutional negotiations (including the Council), different trilogues since then
4. Common understanding reached in March 2019 (with previous EP/EC)
5. A partial inter-institutional agreement reached but final adoption linked to MFF negotiations



# The EC proposal in detail

- Increased budget from 3.4 billion EUR (2014-2020) to 5.4 billion EUR (2021-2027)
- STILL the only EU programme with only focus on: environment, nature conservation and climate action
- 4 sub-programmes including a new one linked to Clean Energy transition
- Builds on 'previous' LIFEs reinforcing and adapting:
  - some types of projects/actions (e.g.: IPs)
  - award criteria: synergies, replication, uptake of other EU programmes
- Extension of eligibility to Other third countries subject to specific agreement

# Structure



## Sub-programmes



## General objective

To contribute:

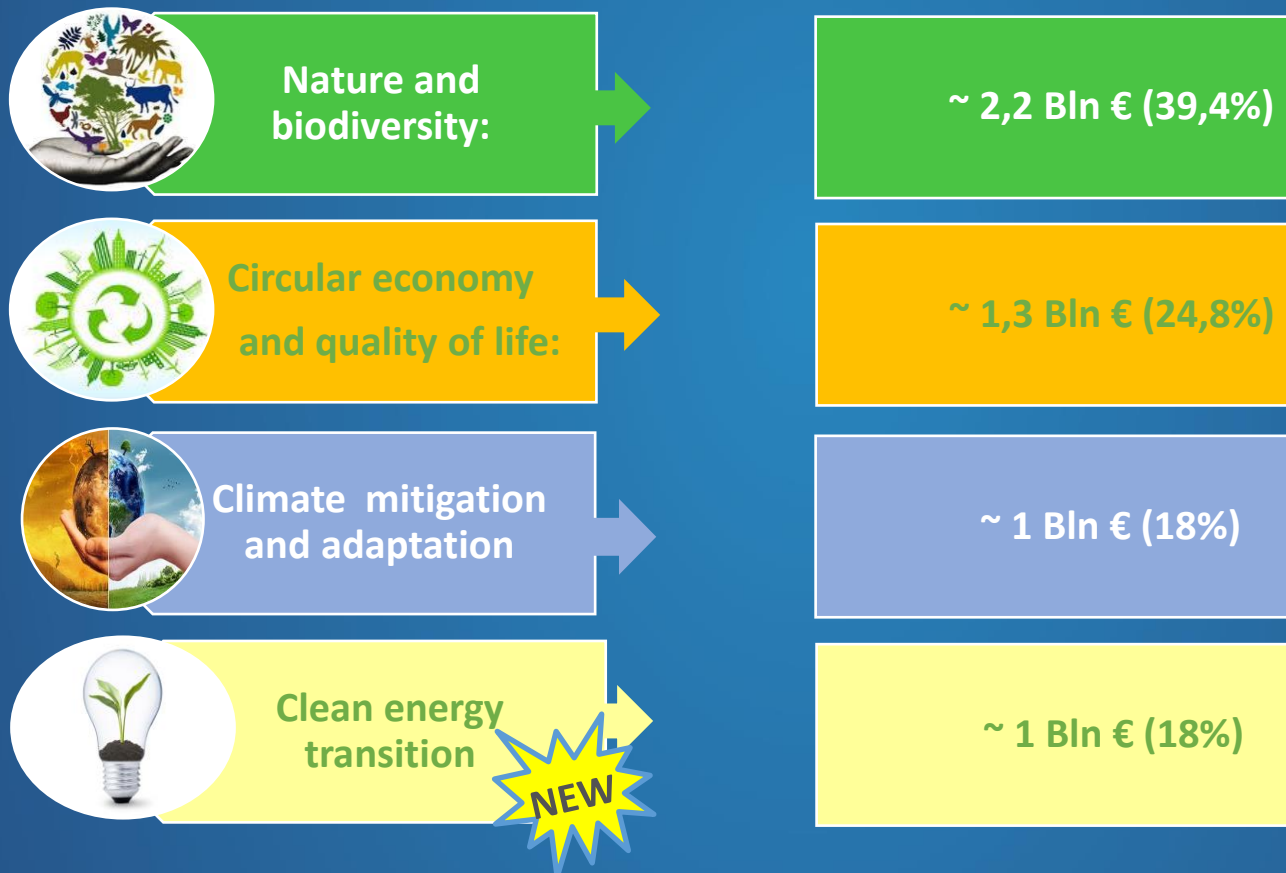
- to the shift towards a clean, circular, energy-efficient, low-carbon and climate-resilient economy, including through the transition to clean energy
- to the protection and improvement of the quality of the environment and
- to halting and reversing biodiversity loss, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

# Structure



## Sub-programmes

## Proposed budget split





# Type of projects/actions

- **Strategic nature projects (SNAPs)**: support achievement of **Union nature and biodiversity objectives** by implementing **coherent programmes of action in the MS to mainstream** these objectives and priorities into other policies and financing instruments, including **through coordinated implementation of the priority action frameworks** established pursuant to Directive 92/43/EEC;
- **Strategic integrated projects (SIPs)**: implement on a regional, multi-regional, national or transnational scale, environmental or climate **strategies or action plans developed by MS' authorities** and required by specific environmental, climate or relevant clean energy **Union legislation or policy**, while **ensuring involvement of stakeholders** and promoting the **coordination with and mobilisation of at least one other Union, national or private funding source**;



# Type of projects/actions

- **Standard action projects (SAPs)**: other than SIPs, SNAPs or TAPs that pursue the specific objectives of the Programme;
- **Technical assistance projects (TAPs)**: support the development of **capacity to participate and prepare to the other LIFE type of projects or other Union financial instruments or other measures necessary for preparing the upscaling or replication of results** from other LIFE projects/ predecessor programmes/ other Union programmes, in view of pursuing the programme objectives;
- **Other actions** needed to achieve the general objective



# Programme implementation



- Currently LIFE programme is implemented by EASME
- EC adopted the proposal for the delegation of 2021-2027 programme portfolios to EAs (04/2020)
- LIFE would be delegated with the existing staff to an EA which is the successor of INEA
- The new agency would manage a portfolio of EU programmes dealing with Climate, Environment and Infrastructure
- All subject to final adoption MFF by EP and Council



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**Thank you**

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