

EEA Financial Mechanism 2021–2028

Green Transition Programme

Investments,
system solutions and
international cooperation

**Objective: Accelerating the green transition
towards a more sustainable society**

Iceland 
Liechtenstein
Norway grants

Why the programme is needed

Four groups of challenges to which the "Green Transition" responds.

01 Climate

The effects of climate change and the need to increase the resilience of local communities.

02 Energy

Energy system transformation and energy security.

03 Nature

Degradation of ecosystems and loss of biodiversity.

04 Circular Economy

Excessive resource consumption and the need to close material loops.

The programme in numbers

160

€ million

grant from the EEA Grants

28+

€ million

co-financing from the state
budget

4

results of the Programme

9

competition calls

11

predefined projects

900

€ thousand

for bilateral cooperation

Two paths, One goal

A

Competition calls

Investments and activities carried out in the field.

- Projects responding to local or sectoral needs
- Participation of local governments, enterprises, science and NGOs
- Effects visible in specific places

B

Predefined projects

Systemically important activities.

- Develop tools, data, and competencies
- Support for regulatory and institutional changes
- Cooperation with domestic and foreign partners

A common effect: from individual projects to permanent systemic change.

CLIMATE: resilient communities and better local decisions

Local investments supported by tools and competences.

COMPETITION CALLS

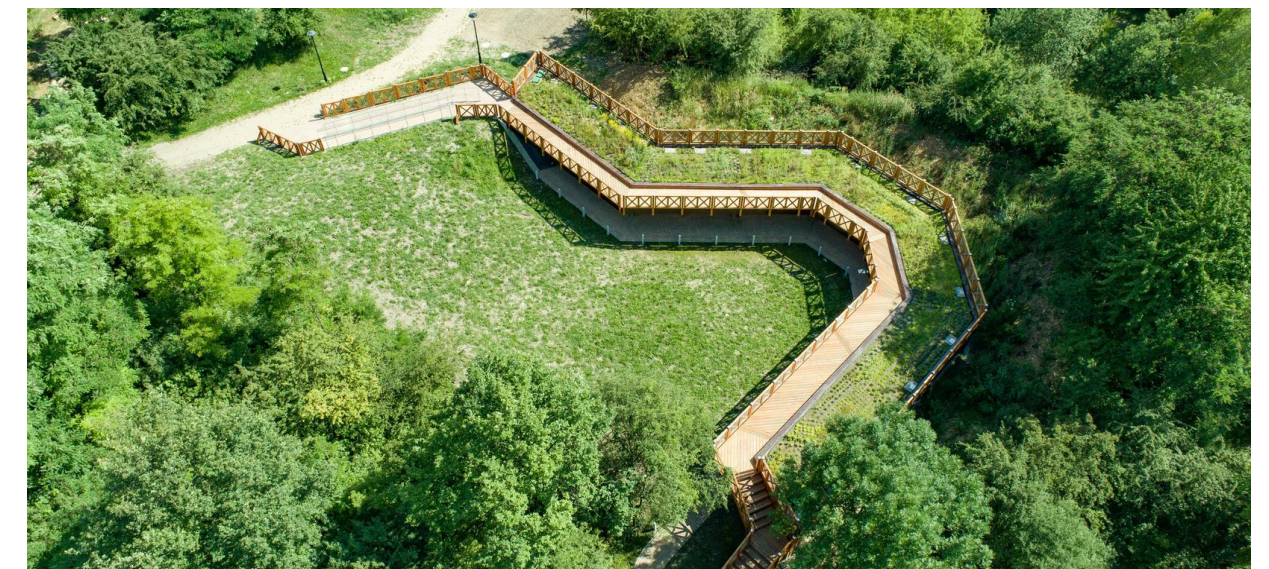
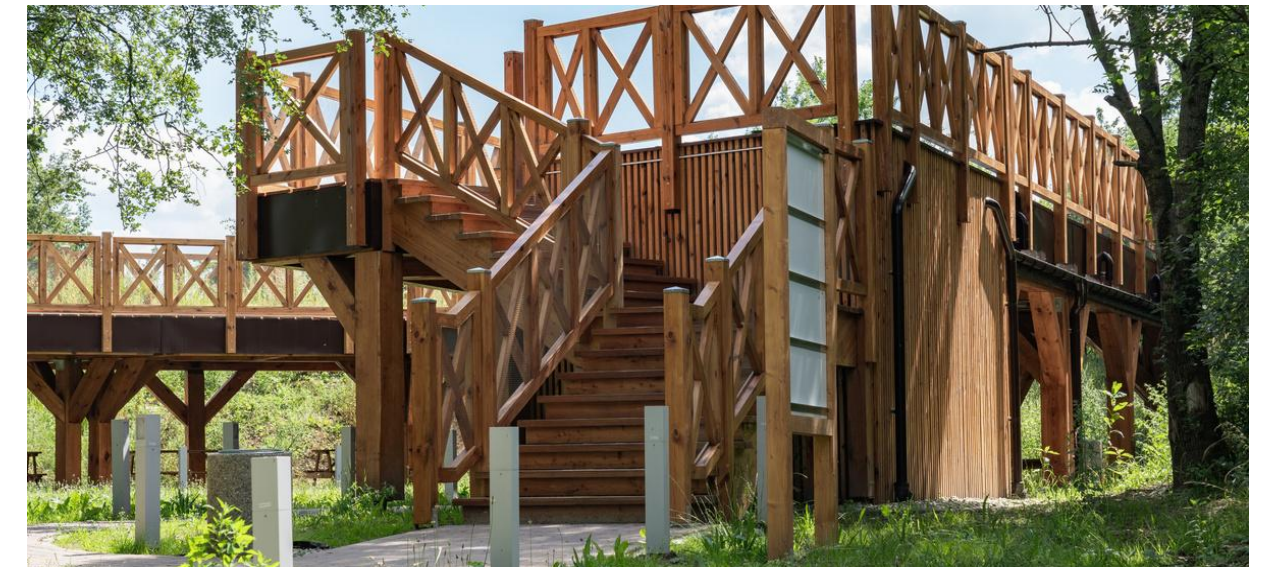
Field investments

- Nature-based solutions
- Rainwater retention and reuse
- Green roofs, walls, public spaces
- Climate education and countering disinformation

PREDEFINED PROJECTS

Systemic change

- PDP 1 – FRSE – Climate Education: Strengthening Teachers' Competences
- PDP 2 – ITPE – WENA: tools for local governments to improve air quality



→ **Local investments + systemic competences = community resilience.**

Photos: Mikołów for Climate project, 2014–2021 funding period.

ENERGY: investment, preparedness and international cooperation

Investments supported by institutional and research solutions.

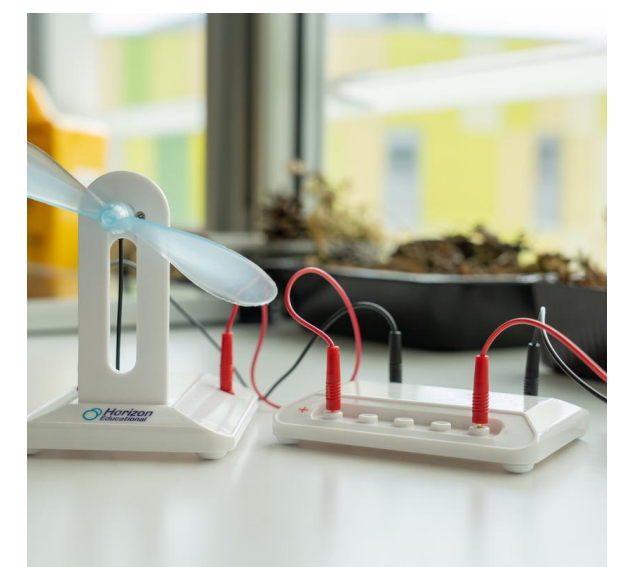
COMPETITION CALLS

Field investments

- Energy communities
- Preparation of CCUS projects - CO₂ capture and storage
- Energy storage facilities integrated with RES
- Use of geothermal energy

PREDEFINED PROJECTS

- PDP 3 – Ministry of Climate and Environment: CCUS readiness
- PDP 4 – Ministry of Climate and Environment: CCUS education
- PDPs 5–7 – IGSMiE: Geothermal Resource Park, research and GeoModel2



→ **Investments + knowledge + regulations = accelerating the energy transition.**

Photos: Improving Energy Efficiency in Schools project, 2014–2021 funding period.

NATURE: field activities supported by data and monitoring

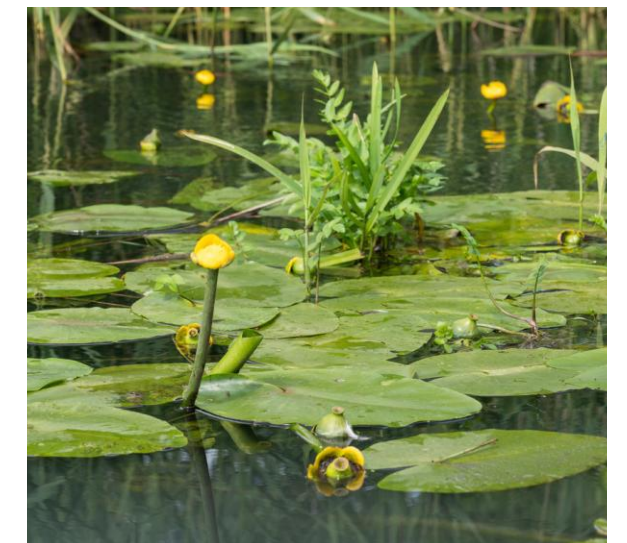
Better protection of nature thanks to field activities and modern tools.

COMPETITION CALLS Field investments

- Protecting and restoring ecosystems
- Improving habitat resilience
- Actions in wetlands and peatlands
- Protecting biodiversity

PREDEFINED PROJECTS

- PDP 8 – GDEP: environmental impact assessment system
- PDP 9 – GDEP: new reserve documentation
- PDP 10 – Environmental Inspectorate: large carnivore monitoring



→ **Field activities + data and monitoring = sustainable protection of ecosystems.**

Photos: Restoring Wetlands project, 2014–2021 funding period.

Circular economy: market pilots and institutional change

Projects and public procurement help grow the market for circular solutions.

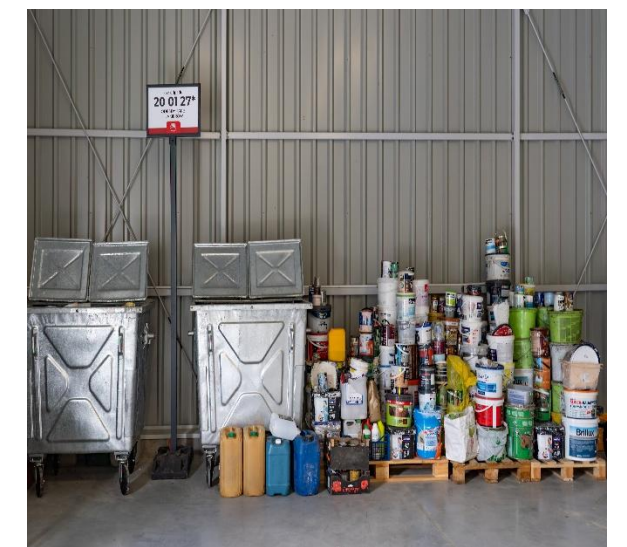
Photos: Sztum Circular Economy project, 2014–2021 funding period.

COMPETITION CALLS Field investments

- Closing water circuits
- Circular construction
- Reusing materials
- Building skills and the circular market

PREDEFINED PROJECTS Systemic change

- PDP 11 – UZP - Green Public Procurement: Development of Competences and Tools



→ Market pilots + green procurement = permanent change in the management model.

Eleven predefined projects, Four types of change

01**Knowledge and competence**

Climate education, tools for local governments, geothermal knowledge, CCUS campaign.

02**Systemic frameworks**

CCUS regulatory readiness, green public procurement, digitalisation of environmental assessments.

03**Data and methods**

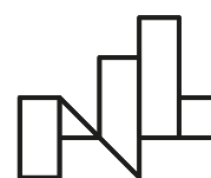
Geothermal modeling, predator monitoring, reserve documentation.

04**Solution Demonstration**

Geothermal Resources Park as a practical demonstrator.

Cooperation with Donor States

Iceland · Liechtenstein · Norway — strategic partners of the entire Programme.

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Liechtenstein
Norway grants

NEA

Norwegian Environment Agency

NVE

Norwegian Directorate of Water
Resources and Energy

Rannís

Icelandic Research Centre

BILATERAL COOPERATION FUND

One of the planned initiatives: Fighting climate disinformation

Implemented by: Institute of Environmental Protection – National Research Institute, Ministry of Climate and Environment, and CICERO – Norwegian Centre for International Climate Research

From need to ready-to-implement project

Six steps that organize the preparation of the application.

01

Define the need

Select an area that corresponds to the actual need.

02

Check the selection conditions

Review the call notice and eligibility criteria.

03

Plan your results

Set measurable outcomes for your project.

04

Confirm Readiness

Take care of organizational preparation, technical and financial issues.

05

Consider Partnership

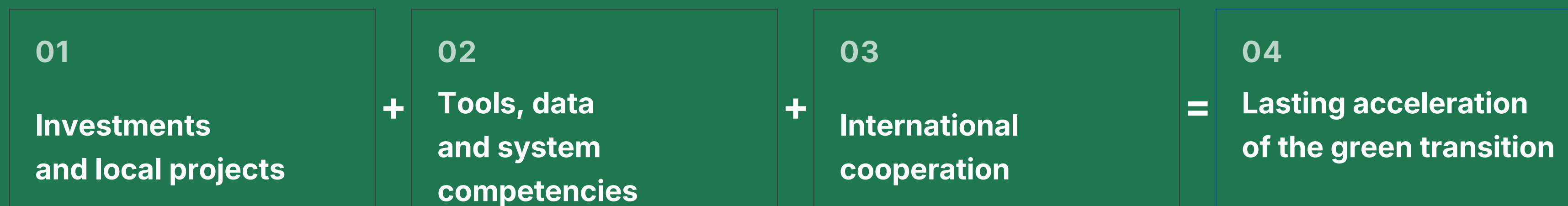
Decide whether a partner would strengthen the project.

06

Track Messages

Monitor the information published by the program operator.

The programme: a mechanism for lasting change



The Green Transition programme combines local investments, systemic change and international cooperation – creating a mechanism that accelerates the transformation in a sustainable way.

Thank you for your attention

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