## **Climate change**





# **EEA** and **Norway Grants** 2014-2021

Climate change is one of the biggest threats faced by the world today. Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway support programmes on climate change mitigation and adaptation in ten Beneficiary States.

#### The programme will be implemented through:









Open calls for proposals



## Why support climate change mitigation and adaptation?

Climate change is manifested through rising sea levels, heat waves, forest fires, droughts, floods and increasing temperatures. They all affect ecosystems and biodiversity, as well as economic growth, infrastructure and quality of life. There is an urgent need to reduce emissions as reflected in the 2015 Paris Agreement and the EU's 2030 Climate and Energy Framework.

## What is supported?

States

The impact of climate change differs between regions in Europe. Some face increased risks of droughts and crop failure while others struggle with floods and mudslides. To meet the different needs, the EEA and Norway Grants support several climate change related activities on national, regional and local levels. These include:

- Developing strategies and plans for mitigation and adaptation measures at national, regional and local level as well as across sectors
- Adopting mitigation and adaptation measures at local level
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions in industry
- Developing preparedness and risk management for extreme weather
- Making use of "carbon sinks", such as wetlands, for the capture of CO, and other greenhouse gases
- Carbon capture and storage
- Actions to move towards a more "circular" and resource-efficient economy

### Where we work

Climate change is addressed in programmes in ten Beneficiary States.

	EEA Grants	Norway Grants	Total
Bulgaria	5.5	-	5.5
Czech Republic	-	8.5	8.5
Estonia	5.3	-	5.3
Latvia	-	4.7	4.7
Lithuania		tbd	tbd
Poland	32.7	-	32.7
Portugal	9.9		9.9
Romania	7.2		7.2
Slovakia	5.0	11.0	16.0
Slovenia	7.8	2.5	10.3

Amounts are in € million and for the period 2014-2021. The figures are subject to change until all relevant programme agreements are signed in all countries.

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#### Cooperation

#### Sharing knowledge and

experiences is crucial for reducing the effects of climate change. Partnerships with entities from the Donor States are strongly encouraged. To support such bilateral cooperation, the following are Donor Programme Partners in this area: Innovation Norway, the Norwegian Directorate for Civil Protection, The Norwegian Environment Agency, the Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate, and the National Energy Authority of Iceland.



Donor Programme Partner
Norwegian Environmental Agency
National Energy Authority of Iceland, Norwegian Environmental Agency, Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate
Innovation Norway
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Norwegian Environmental Agency



# Key achievements from the 2009-2014 funding period

# 525,0

tonnes/year estimated CO<sub>2</sub> reduction and/or avoidance - equivalent to annual CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions from approximately 300,000 cars

> climate change adaptation strategies were developed

In the previous funding period, €34.3 million was allocated to climate change adaptation programmes resulting in 120 projects across nine countries.

institutions and sectors got strengthened capacity in climate change adaptations

## About the EEA and Norway Grants

Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway provide funding to:

- Reducing disparities in Europe
- Strengthening bilateral relations

#### Areas of support

- · Innovation, research, education and competitiveness
- · Social inclusion, youth employment and poverty reduction
- Environment, energy, climate change and low carbon economy
- Culture, civil society, good governance and fundamental rights and freedoms
- Justice and home affairs

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