

# CALL FOR PROPOSALS

## INFORMATION SESSION

13th October 2023

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# Virtual information session

Friday 13th of October, 10h30-12h00 (GMT+4)

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**During the session:**

- This session will be recorded for sharing on the IOC Youtube channel
- Please write your questions as you go along in the chat, we will collect them all and try to answer them in the second part of the session. These questions/answers will populate a “Frequently Asked Questions” section on the call for projects web page.
- We will take a group photo, please activate your camera at this time

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- Basic information about the CFP
- Are you eligible?
- Which actions are eligible?
- How to apply?
- Tips

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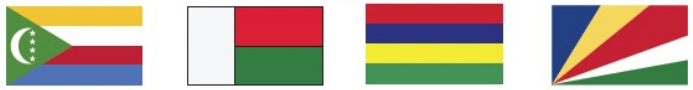
Questions

Answers

# RECOS project (IOC)

## COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS RESILIENCE IN THE SOUTHWEST INDIAN OCEAN

### PARTNER COUNTRIES



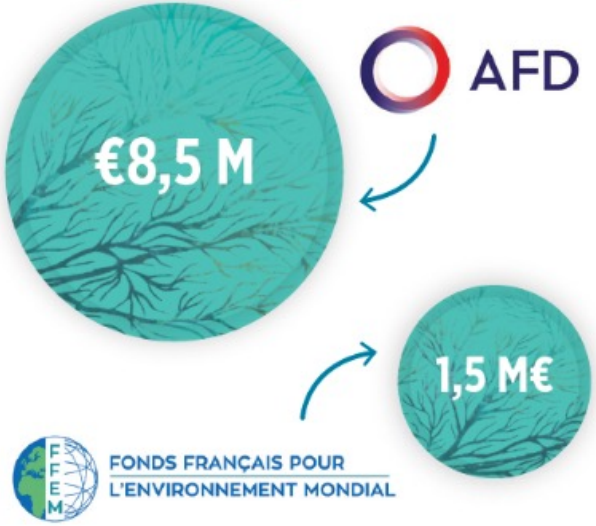
The Union of Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius and Seychelles will directly benefit from the project.



Close collaboration with France-La Reunion will be developed for key activites.

Activities will also involve spontaneous collaborations with Nairobi Convention Member Countries and island countries in other regions of the world.

### FINANCIAL PARTNERS




### PROJECT DURATION




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# RECOS PROJECT

strengthen the resilience of coastal populations to the effects of climate change by restoring coastal ecosystem services.

GOVERNANCE

Strengthen regional and national governance of coastal and marine ecosystems in the Indian Ocean;

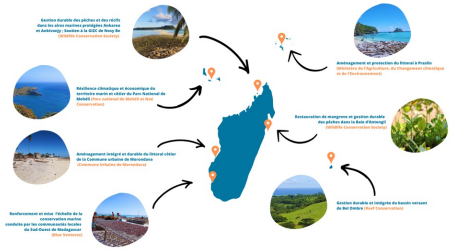
Nairobi Convention

ICZM Protocol

Implement innovative, varied and replicable projects for the restoration and sustainable use of coastal and marine ecosystems based on scientific working groups.

Call for proposals

7 pilot projects

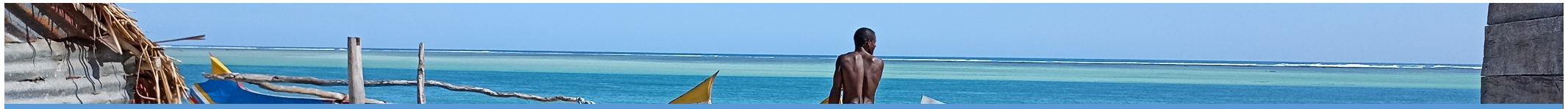


Programme of exchanges of experiences

Scientific composant

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# Main information on RECOS call for proposal



## REGIONAL CALL FOR PROPOSALS: 4th OCTOBER 2023

**Common objective: Strengthening the resilience of populations and marine/coastal ecosystems in the South-West Indian Ocean**

**Total budget: €1 million**

**Common eligibility criteria (except activities)**

**Common procedures**

**Minimum beneficiary contribution: 5% of the total amount.**

**Co-financing encouraged**

### BATCH 1

### Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM)

**Targets:** civil society, local authorities

**Grant amounts:** between €50,000 and €150,000

**Eligible themes:** activities linked to governance, planning, coastal zone management + implementation of local ICZM action plans or equivalent on RECOS themes

### BATCH 2

### Resilience of populations and coastal ecosystems

**Targets:** research institutions

**Grant amount:** €100,000 to €150,000

**Eligible themes:** R&D actions contributing to improving the resilience of populations and coastal and marine ecosystems in beneficiary countries: conservation and restoration of mangroves, seagrass beds, coral reefs, wtaersheds…

# Are you eligible ?

Applications from women and young people

**1) Moral person**

**2) Non-state actor:**
(See Cotonou agreements)
- the private sector;
- economic and social partners including trade union organizations;
- civil society in all its forms, according to national characteristics.

OR

**2) Local authorities:**
Public institutions with legal personality located at a level below that of central power, and accountable to citizens: villages, municipalities, districts, counties, provinces, regions, etc.

OR

**2) Research Institute:**
Universities, academies, research centers, etc.

**3)** Be established in one of the **4 beneficiary countries** of the RECOS project:



Regional dynamic

Collaborative actions

**4)** Be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the project with the co-applicant(s)

**5) The applicant must have been legally incorporated for at least three years before the date of submission of the concept note.**

**6)** The applicant must provide evidence that it has successfully implemented and completed at least one project of comparable importance and nature, during the three years preceding the concept note submission deadline.

# Which actions are eligible?

## BATCH 1

### Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM)

**Eligible actions:** activities related to governance, planning, coastal zone management and implementation of local ICZM action plans or equivalent on RECOS themes

**1) The creation or strengthening of local consultation platforms:** local ICZM committees or equivalents, co-managed marine area management associations, multi-stakeholder management committees on ICZM subjects (sustainable fishing, management of marine and coastal ecosystems, etc.) .

2) **The development of local ICZM strategies/action plans or equivalent**

3) **Implementation of ICZM plans or equivalent:** MPA management plans, sustainable fishing strategies, sustainable development action plans, etc. The proposed actions may concern:

Holistic approach, multi-sector consultation

Only nature-based solutions are acceptable



MPA management



Essentials coastal ecosystems



Coastal observation and management



Environmental education in coastal areas

Social and economics dynamics

# Which actions are eligible?

## BATCH 2

## Resilience of populations and coastal ecosystems

**Eligible actions:** R&D actions contributing to improving the resilience of populations and coastal and marine ecosystems in beneficiary countries: mangroves, seagrass beds, coral reefs, coastal strips, coastal forests, watersheds, etc.

The actions should aim to develop and/or apply on the territories of the beneficiary countries ecological engineering measures, innovative tools, new methodologies, which would make it possible to strengthen efforts to protect and restore the marine and coastal ecosystems of the countries of the beneficiary countries. the IOC.

The proposed actions should make it possible to:

- Improve knowledge on subjects related to the protection and restoration of coastal and marine ecosystems,
- Put into practice innovative methodologies and tools of a replicable nature,
- Promote knowledge sharing and dissemination of lessons learned to all IOC countries.

Only nature-based solutions are acceptable

Regional scientific cooperation

Sociale and economic approach

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# Which actions are eligible?

## Ineligible actions

- Projects aimed at providing financial support to third parties;
- Project consisting solely or mainly of sponsoring the participation of individuals in workshops, seminars, conferences and congresses;
- Project consisting solely or mainly of financing individual study or training scholarships;
- Project consisting of helping the beneficiary to increase their production or income.

## Examples of eligible projects

- **Support for strengthening local ICZM committees in a country:** capacity building of members of local ICZM committees (national training with local specifications), support for the development of local ICZM action plans, consistent with the National Action Plan , actions to perpetuate local ICZM structures.
- **Strengthening a national network of MPAs**: strengthening the national coordinating structure, setting up tools and supports in the country's MPAs, strengthening co-management processes, development or updating of MPA PAGs, implementation of priority actions provided for in the PAGs.
- **R&D project on tools to strengthen community involvement in marine/coastal ecosystem management/restoration initiatives.**

# How to apply ?

## How many projects can I present?

- **Applicant:**

- No more than 4 requests (brief note)
- only 1 grant awarded

- **Co-applicant:**

- no restrictions
- no restrictions

A co-applicant can be an applicant on another project

## What do I start with?

**Complete a concept note before December 4, 4 p.m. (Mauritius, GMT+4)**

Appel à projets sur la conservation écosystèmes côtiers (commissionoceanindien.org)

Everything is here

Répondre à l'appel à projets / Apply for the call of projects

LIGNES DIRECTRICES

FORMULAIRE DE DEMANDE INITIALE / NOTE SUCCINCTE (VF)

FORMULAIRE DE DEMANDE INITIALE / NOTE SUCCINCTE (VA)

BROCHURE VERSION FRANÇAISE

BROCHURE ENGLISH VERSION

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# How to apply ?

## Restricted call for projects procedure with a prequalification phase



Communication and information on the preparation of concept notes

**4th of October 2023**

**1) Concept note**

**4th of December 2023**

2 months

Evaluation of the concept note

★★☆

1 month

Pre-qualification phase (3 months)

Invitation to submit a full application

**8th January 2024**

**8th March 2024**

**2) Complete application forms**

2 months

Evaluation of complete application forms

★★☆

Qualification phase (3 months)

1 month

**8th April 2024**

Notification of award

APRIL 2024

**Contract signature**

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# Preparation of the concept note

| NOTE SUCCINCTE | |
|---|---|
| [Cochez la case appropriée]<br>☐ LOT 1 : Gestion intégrée des zones côtières (GIZC) dans les pays de la COI<br>☐ LOT 2 : Recherche et développement (R&D) sur la résilience des populations et des écosystèmes côtiers | |
| **INFORMATIONS GENERALES** | |
| NOM DU PROJET | |
| NUMERO DE PROPOSITION | *Laisser cet espace vide. Réservé à l'administration RECOS.* |
| DEMANDEUR PRINCIPAL | **Nom de l'organisation :**<br>**Type d'entité légale :**<br>Nom de la personne contact :<br>Adresse mail :<br>Numéro de téléphone :<br>Adresse postale : |
| CODEMANDEURS | *[Ajouter autant de lignes que nécessaire]*<br>**Nom de l'organisation :**<br>**Type d'entité légale :**<br>Nom de la personne contact :<br>Adresse mail :<br>Numéro de téléphone :<br>Adresse postale :<br>**Nom de l'organisation :**<br>**Type d'entité légale :**<br>Nom de la personne contact :<br>Adresse mail :<br>Numéro de téléphone :<br>Adresse postale : |

1-Check your eligibility carefully!

2-Look for your partners!

| | |
|---|---|
| THEMATIQUES (Cochez une ou plusieurs cases) | ☐ Planification, gouvernance et mise en œuvre de la Gestion intégrée des zones côtières (GIZC)<br>☐ Gestion des Aires marines protégées<br>☐ Conservation et restauration des écosystèmes marins et côtiers<br>☐ Observation et gestion du littoral<br>☐ Education environnementale en zone côtière |
| SITE(S) DE MISE EN OEUVRE | [Indiquez les pays et régions d'intervention] |
| DURÉE DE L'ACTION | |
| BUDGET TOTAL (€) | |
| MONTANT DE LA SUBVENTION DEMANDE (€) | |
| CONTRIBUTION DU BENEFICIAIRE | ☐ Contribution financière<br>Montant: .....€<br>☐ Contribution en nature (à détailler dans le narratif du projet) |

3- already have a clear idea of your project

The more, the better!

Must finish no later than June 30, 2026

At least 5% of the project

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# Preparation of the concept note

30 points!

## 1- PERTINENCE DU PROJET (2 pages max)

- **Pertinence par rapport aux objectifs/secteurs/thèmes/priorités spécifiques de l'appel à projets**

- Décrire la pertinence du projet au regard de l'/des objectif(s) et de la/des priorité(s) de l'appel à projets.
- Décrire la pertinence du projet par rapport à tout thème/secteur/zone spécifique et à tout autre besoin spécifique indiqué dans les lignes directrices de l'appel à projets, comme l'appropriation locale, etc.
- Décrire quels résultats particuliers attendus visés dans les lignes directrices de l'appel à projets seront abordés.

- **Pertinence par rapport aux besoins et contraintes particuliers du/des pays cibles, de la/des région(s) cible(s) et/ou des secteurs concernés**

- Définir la vulnérabilité du site face au changement climatique.
- Définir la situation spécifique actuelle dans le(s) pays ou région(s) cible(s) et/ou secteurs (inclure, si possible, des données d'analyses chiffrées).
- Décrire les problèmes devant être abordés par le projet.
- Se référer à tout plan significatif, entrepris au niveau national, régional et/ou local, pertinent pour le projet et décrire comment les actions menées se rapporteront à ces plans.
- Lorsque le projet est le prolongement d'une action précédente, indiquer comment il se combinera avec les activités et/ou résultats de l'action précédente ; se référer aux principales conclusions et recommandations d'éventuelles évaluations.
- Lorsque le projet est une partie d'un programme plus vaste, expliquer comment il s'y intègre et/ou comment il est coordonné à ce programme ou tout autre projet envisagé. Préciser les synergies possibles avec d'autres initiatives.

## 2- OBJECTIFS DU PROJET

Définir un objectif général ainsi que des objectifs spécifiques au projet proposé.

## 3- DESCRIPTION DE L'ACTION

[1 page max]

Veuillez fournir des informations sur les principales activités proposées, en précisant les réalisations et résultats correspondants.

Fournir une description des principales parties prenantes et un calendrier indicatif.

## 4- DISPOSITIF DE SUIVI ET EVALUATION

Décrire succinctement le mécanisme qui sera mis en œuvre pour le suivi et l'évaluation du projet.

## 5- BUDGET

| | Budget RECOS (EUR) | Budget TOTAL (EUR) |
|---|---|---|
| Composante 1 *(intitulé)* | | |
| Composante 2 *(intitulé)* | | |
| Composante … *(intitulé)* | | |
| **TOTAL** | | |

This information cannot be modified in the complete request…

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# Your questions

1) Can I apply for myself, as an individual? NO
2) Can we apply if we already receive funding from AFD?
- on other projects / other sites > YES
- on the same project: YES but not co-financing
- on RECOS (pilot site): NO

Can I contact you if I have any questions?
Yes, by email (recos@coi-ioc.org) until November 20. We have until November 27 to respond.

**Questions will be posted on the IOC webpage: Frequently Asked Questions**
4) Who will evaluate my concept note?
5) How many projects will be selected?
6) What is the scope for modification between the concept note and the full application form?
7) Can a pilot project leader apply?
8) Am I eligible if I need a top up?

# DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ?

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# For all other questions
# CONTACT US
# Until November 20th

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# THANK YOU