



OPEN CALL FOR GRANT PROPOSALS

Guidance Document

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We are excited to announce that the AEF is now accepting applications for grants to support **organizations** and **grassroots initiatives** dedicated to make the Argosaronic more sustainable and inclusive, fostering positive change for its people and the environment!

We are seeking partners working on **environmental** and **conservation projects** with a **creative** and **impactful approach**. Whether you have a groundbreaking idea, an ongoing project, or are requesting continued funding, we want to hear from you!

Funding criteria

Who

Non-profit organisations, local groups and associations, research centres and other social entities are eligible to apply for funding.

What

We support projects that aim to restore ecosystems, enhance biodiversity, reduce pollution and promote sustainable livelihoods and practices, falling under the following **areas of interest**:

- ✓ Marine Ecosystems
- ✓ Sustainable Resource Management
- ✓ Biodiversity Conservation
- ✓ Sustainable Tourism

We encourage **innovative initiatives and replicable best practices** that align with our mission and values. We invite and encourage projects of community involvement, capacity building and/or empowerment, education, alternative livelihood support, advocacy, institutional engagement, creation or continued community-based initiatives.

The proposed projects shall be clear and compelling, with the objective of creating measurable and **sustainable long-term results**. Ideal proposals should demonstrate tangible actions that lead to **long-lasting benefits** for nature and have the potential for systemic change.

Projects with **opportunities for replicability**, to amplify their impact, will be emphasized.

Where

In the current call for proposals, **priority** will be given to projects focused on the islands of, Poros, Hydra, Spetses as well as along the Peloponnese coasts of the Argolic Gulf.

Nevertheless, we **welcome inquiries** from other areas of the Argosaronic and encourage those interested in funding to submit a brief concept note (max 250 words) along with a general budget estimate to info@argosaronicenvironment.org. We will follow up to provide feedback and discuss next steps.

How to Apply

All applicants need to submit their grant applications online. Ensure you download the [Step-by-step Application Template](#) and the [Impact Measurement Framework](#) to successfully fill in the application. Once you're ready, complete and submit your proposal using the [Online Application Form](#).

For **small grants** (<€5,000), please request to receive the specific submission form.

Please consult the [Call for Proposals Guidance Document](#) for comprehensive details on the funding criteria and application process.

Application Deadline: 18th November 2024, 12pm.

Grant Selection & Implementation Process

Proposals will be reviewed and evaluated by the AEF Steering Committee and successful grantees will be informed by December for the projects to start in the first quarter of 2025.

A Grant Agreement will be signed with the AEF with specific terms of collaboration. The implementation of the project will start as soon as the agreement is in place.

You may contact us at info@argosaronicenvironment.org if you would like to discuss in further detail how to give your project the best chance of securing funding.

Join us in creating a meaningful impact for the Argosaronic environment!