



**AEF GRANT CYCLE - 2025-2026**

# **FULL PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM**

**Call for Full Project Proposal**  
September, 23 - October, 20 2025

AEF invites civil society organizations and community groups to submit proposals for initiatives that contribute to the protection and restoration of the natural environment in the Argosaronic region.

This call is open to non-profit entities, local groups, associations, educational and scientific institutions, as well as other organizations implementing locally grounded, participatory, and environmentally impactful projects.

Please complete the fields below, following the **example** we provide.

We suggest using this template in order to work on your answers  
and then copy-paste them on our [online form](#).

To be eligible for evaluation, all requested information must be included and the suggested format must be followed.

If you need assistance or clarification, feel free to contact us at  
[\*\*info@argosaronicenvironment.org\*\*](mailto:info@argosaronicenvironment.org).



## 1. Organisation Details

<b>1.1 Organisation name</b>	Ecological Initiative of Salamina
<b>1.2 Lead contact details</b>	
<b>First name</b>	Anna
<b>Last name</b>	Papadaki
<b>Email</b>	info@oikosalama.gr
<b>Contact number</b>	+30 210 4650000
<b>Role within organisation</b>	Project Coordinator
<b>1.3 Organisation address</b>	
<b>Mailing street</b>	4th Kapodistriou str
<b>Mailing city</b>	Salamina
<b>Mailing postal code</b>	145 54
<b>Mailing country</b>	Greece
<b>1.4 Year of establishment</b>	2018
<b>1.5 Legal status</b>	Civil Non-Profit Company
<b>Please upload proof of your legal status</b>	[Uploaded in the Online Form]
<b>1.6 Website</b>	www.ecisa.org
<b>1.7 Social media URLs:</b>	
<b>Twitter</b>	@ecisa.org
<b>Instagram</b>	@ecisa.org
<b>Facebook</b>	@ecisa.org



<b>LinkedIn</b>	@ecisa.org
<b>1.8 Has your organisation ever applied for a grant from us before?</b>	<p>1. Yes - we have applied and received a grant from you before</p> <p>2. Yes - we have applied but have not received a grant from you before</p> <p><b>3. No - this is the first time we have applied to you</b></p>
<b>1.9 Tell us about your organisation and why it is suited for this grant (Maximum 250 words)</b>	<p>The Ecological Initiative of Salamina is a grassroots environmental organisation established in 2018 to enhance environmental awareness and mobilise participatory action in Salamina and the surrounding Argosaronic islands. We focus on community-led environmental protection, education, and sustainability. Our team has experience in designing and delivering school workshops, public campaigns, and environmental advocacy. With a strong network of local stakeholders, including educators, businesses, and NGOs, we are uniquely positioned to implement impactful projects. We believe that through education and action, especially in island communities where environmental pressures are acute, we can foster long-term positive change.</p>
<b>1.10 Please tell us about the people who will deliver the project and their relevant qualifications and experience? (Maximum 250 words)</b>	<p>The project will be led by Anna Papadaki, an experienced environmental educator and community organiser. Anna has coordinated several public engagement campaigns and school programs since 2019. She will be supported by two part-time environmental science graduates with field experience in marine pollution, and a graphic designer with a track record in producing educational materials. Volunteers from the Ecological Initiative will help deliver school workshops and coordinate beach cleanups. All team members have strong local ties and have collaborated on past awareness and citizen science projects in the region.</p>
<b>1.11 Please name any other organisations involved with this grant application and tell us their role in the project (Maximum 100 words)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental Club of Aianteio Middle School: will co-host and facilitate school activities.</li> <li>• Association of Professionals of Ampelakia: will support the recruitment of local businesses for the "Plastic-Free Champions" network.</li> <li>• Aegean ReLeaf Network: will offer technical guidance on plastic pollution and sustainability communication.</li> </ul>



## 2. Project Overview

In this section we ask you to describe your project.

<b>2.1 Project title</b>	Seas Without Plastics: Education and Action for Island Communities
<b>2.2 Project summary (Maximum 100 words)</b>	A year-long environmental education and action initiative in Salamina, aiming to reduce plastic pollution through school workshops, public beach cleanups, and the creation of a local network of "Plastic-Free Champions." The project combines experiential learning, community involvement, and communication to raise awareness and inspire behavioural change.
<b>2.3 Proposed start and end dates of the project</b>	
<b>Start date</b>	October 2025
<b>End date</b>	September 2026
<b>2.4 Where will the project take place? (Maximum 50 words)</b>	Salamina and coastal communities of the Argosaronic Gulf, including five schools and three public beaches across different neighborhoods.
<b>2.5 What is the environmental challenge your project is aiming to address? (Maximum 100 words)</b>	Plastic pollution is a major threat to Salamina's marine ecosystems, with large amounts of litter found on beaches and in shallow waters. The issue stems from inadequate waste management, high tourism activity, and lack of sustained environmental education. Our project addresses this by targeting local youth and community members through active engagement.
<b>2.6 Your project will be implemented through:</b>	<b>1. Direct environmental action (field work)</b> <b>2. Awareness raising and/or education</b> 3. Research and analysis <b>4. Engagement with communities</b> 5. Campaigning 6. Political advocacy and lobbying 7. Other
<b>2.7 Which natural habitat will your project be focusing on?</b>	1. Terrestrial <b>2. Marine</b> 3. Wetland 4. Freshwater 5. Other



### 3. Project Implementation

<p><b>3.1 Please describe the project including aims and objectives, methodologies and expected results. (Maximum 1000 words).</b></p>	<p>The “Seas Without Plastics” project seeks to reduce plastic waste in Salamina through education, direct action, and citizen engagement. Our main objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To raise environmental awareness among young people.</li> <li>• To activate the local community in addressing plastic pollution.</li> <li>• To promote responsible business practices in relation to single-use plastics.</li> </ul> <p><u>Methodology:</u> The project combines experiential learning, public events, and local partnerships. We will conduct five environmental education workshops in primary and secondary schools, using interactive methods such as beach litter audits and creative reuse activities. Three large-scale beach cleanups will engage the wider community and promote local stewardship. We will also establish a “Plastic-Free Champions” network by recruiting 10 local businesses to reduce single-use plastic usage and engage with 20 volunteers as project ambassadors.</p> <p><u>Expected Results:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 150+ students educated on plastic pollution and circular economy principles.</li> <li>• 3 tons of waste removed from local beaches.</li> <li>• 10 businesses implementing plastic-reduction practices.</li> <li>• A growing network of engaged residents and youth volunteers.</li> <li>• Educational materials distributed locally and online.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3.2 Please list and describe each of your project’s activities.</b></p> <p>In section 4, we will ask you to select from a list the outcomes of these activities and the indicators you will use to measure the achievements of your work.</p>	

<b>Activity name</b>	School Workshops on Plastic Pollution
<b>Activity description and expected results (Maximum 100 words)</b>	Experiential workshops in five schools targeting students aged 10–14. Activities will include microplastic sampling, recycling games, and community mapping. Expected result: Increased awareness and environmental literacy among over 150 students.
<b>Expected completion date:</b>	March 2026



<b>Activity name</b>	Public Beach Cleanups
<b>Activity description and expected results (Maximum 100 words)</b>	Organisation of three community beach cleanups with volunteers and local partners. Each event will be promoted through local media and social media. Expected result: Over 3 tons of plastic waste removed and 200+ participants involved.
<b>Expected completion date:</b>	August 2026

<b>Activity name</b>	Plastic-Free Champions Network
<b>Activity description and expected results (Maximum 100 words)</b>	Recruitment and coaching of 10 local businesses to adopt plastic-reducing practices, and mobilisation of 20 volunteers as ambassadors. Expected result: A sustainable local network promoting behavioural change.
<b>Expected completion date:</b>	June 2026

<b>Activity name</b>	Creation of Educational Materials
<b>Activity description and expected results (Maximum 100 words)</b>	Design and distribution of materials including a leaflet, infographic, and educational poster for schools and businesses. Expected result: 500+ people reached through print and digital dissemination.
<b>Expected completion date:</b>	May 2026

**+Add(by copy-paste) as many activity tables you need**

<b>3.3 Which of the following groups are you planning to engage with during this project? You can select more than one</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Local residents</b></li> <li><b>2. Children and young people</b></li> <li>3. Farmers</li> <li>4. Fishermen</li> <li>5. Land owners</li> <li>6. Scientists</li> <li>7. Protected area managers</li> <li>8. Tourists</li> <li>9. Tourism industry</li> <li><b>10. Hospitality industry</b></li> <li><b>11. NGOs</b></li> <li>12. Local, regional or national government</li> <li><b>13. Educational institutions</b></li> <li>14. Media</li> <li>15. Other</li> </ol>
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## 4. Project Impact

In this section, we ask you to select up to three environmental outcomes of your project's activities and up to three indicators to measure the achievements of your work. [Please see the infographic of our environmental outcomes and indicators to help you choose the most relevant to your project.](#)

Please note that at the end of the project, you will be asked to report on these indicators.

<p><b>4.1 What are the environmental outcomes that your project aims to achieve? Please select a maximum of 3</b></p>	<p><b>1. Ecological restoration</b>            2. Rewilding            3. Improved soil quality            4. Sustainable farming            5. Management and increased designation of protected areas            6. Improved Water quality            7. Fire prevention, management and control            8. Monitoring of native species            9. Restoration of native species            10. Sustainable fisheries management            11. Reduction in illegal activities  <b>12. Reduction in human-wildlife conflict</b>            13. Reduction in plastic pollution            14. Reduction in non-plastic solid waste pollution            15. Reduction in water pollution            16. Reduction in land pollution            17. Reduction in air pollution            18. Reduction in noise pollution            19. Use of low carbon technology and energy            20. Mitigation of and/or adaptation to extreme weather events            21. Other</p>
<p><b>4.2 What are the social, economy and policy outcomes that your project aims to achieve? Please select a maximum of 3</b></p>	<p>1. Behaviour change  <b>2. Awareness raising</b>            3. Capacity building  <b>4. Education</b>  <b>5. Sustainable and alternative livelihoods</b>            6. Uptake of sustainable practices by companies and industries            7. Research &amp; innovation            8. Environmental legislation            9. Environmental management &amp; monitoring            10. Institutional engagement &amp; advocacy            11. Inclusivity            12. Other</p>



## 5. Risks

<p><b>5.1 Describe any risks or uncertainties that might affect the project and how you will try to mitigate them. (Maximum 250 words)</b></p>	<p>Potential risks include low participation from schools or community members due to scheduling conflicts or lack of interest. To mitigate this, we will work closely with school administrations and local leaders to align activities with community calendars and promote the project through local media and personal networks. Weather conditions may also affect outdoor events; we will plan alternative indoor activities and schedule backup dates. Finally, there is a risk that businesses may hesitate to adopt plastic-free practices. We will address this by offering tailored support and showcasing early adopters as success stories to inspire others.</p>
<p><b>5.2 Could your project lead to any unintended negative consequences? (Maximum 250 words)</b></p>	<p>While the project is designed with positive outcomes in mind, there may be unintended consequences such as the temporary displacement of beach users during cleanup events or the mismanagement of collected waste. We will mitigate this by coordinating with local authorities to ensure proper scheduling, signage, and certified waste disposal. Additionally, we will ensure that volunteers are properly trained to handle materials safely and respectfully.</p>
<p><b>5.3 Are there any factors that may affect the timeline of your project? (Maximum 250 words)</b></p>	<p>Factors that could impact the timeline include school calendar changes, weather-related disruptions to outdoor events, and delays in material production. We have accounted for these by building flexibility into the project schedule and establishing buffer periods between major activities. The project team has prior experience adapting to such challenges, and regular monitoring will allow us to adjust timelines as needed without compromising outcomes.</p>





## 6. Additional information

<b>6.1 If you plan to continue your work beyond the end of this funding, please tell us how. (Maximum 100 words)</b>	We aim to maintain and expand the “Plastic-Free Champions” network and continue educational workshops with the support of local schools and community partners. We will seek additional funding from regional programs and private sponsors and integrate the project into the ongoing activities of the Ecological Initiative of Salamina. Long-term partnerships will help sustain the momentum and expand our impact.
<b>6.2 Is there anything we could do, besides funding to support you and/or this project? (Maximum 100 words)</b>	Support with visibility—such as featuring our project on your platforms or connecting us with other grantees—would greatly enhance our impact. Access to training or knowledge exchange opportunities with similar initiatives would also strengthen our team’s capacity and improve project delivery.
<b>6.3 If you have any documents or research supporting your project, please share the links and/or attach files below:</b>	[Uploaded in the Online Form]

## 7. Budget

<b>Currency</b>	EUR (€)
<b>Amount requested from us</b>	€7,000
<b>Amount requested from other sources (if any)</b>	€0
<b>Total project cost</b>	€8,500

Full project budget: please download and complete [this template](#) and upload below.



## **8. Declaration**

Please confirm the following:

- I confirm that all the information in this application is correct and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree that you can check the information in it and any supporting documents with other people and organisations if required.
- My organisation has the power to accept a grant, under your terms, and the power to pay back the grant if the terms are not being met.
- I understand that any misleading statements (whether deliberate or accidental) I give at any point during the application process, or any information I knowingly withhold, could mean my organisation's application is not valid, in which case you will cancel the grant and claim back the money we have received, stop assessing and return the application, or withdraw any grant you offered my organisation.
- I am authorised to put forward this application on behalf of my organisation.
- On behalf of my organisation, I agree that if we receive any grant from you for our project, we will keep to the standard terms of the grant and any further terms and conditions set out in the grant notification letter.