



Action Component BIOPAMA



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The Action Component - BIOPAMA Grant Making Facility

BIOPAMA will support specific actions on the ground aimed at strengthening protected areas and natural resources management effectiveness and governance. The application of the BIOPAMA management and governance assessment tools and data/information from the Regional Observatories will help identify where management action is necessary.



- 20 million Euros will be assigned for small and medium grants for targeted conservation actions in ACP countries.
- They will support activities on the ground, by enabling protected area agencies, NGOs, local communities and other key actors to effectively implement their field projects.

The rationale

Follows a recommendation from BIOPAMA first phase

Assessments (IMET, PAME) implemented in a number of PAs showed that with some limited interventions the management and governance problems affecting those areas can be addressed as to better achieve their conservation and sustainable development objectives.

“Required management actions, as identified by appropriate management and governance assessment tools, are implemented in pilot PAs. Co-benefits on human well-being as well as on mitigation and adaptation actions will be explicitly sought whenever possible.” (Objective – Result 3.2)



Specific Objectives

- Enhance the management and governance of priority protected areas by addressing existing limitations (strengthening on-site infrastructure/equipment for patrolling, poaching control, developing capacity of staff);
- Enforce the legal framework required to achieve effective biodiversity conservation;
- Support local communities' initiatives aiming to enhance the livelihoods of local people whilst effectively contributing to protected areas management.

Expected Results

- Long-term conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and natural resources in priority protected areas and surrounding communities is improved.
- Enhanced capacity of national PA agencies to use appropriate assessment tools (IMET and MEAs, social and governance assessments) and use the results from those assessments for planning and decision making.
- Sustainable livelihoods of local communities, vulnerable peoples and indigenous communities are enabled through targeted field-action interventions.

Eligible activities

- ▶ Activities shall be eligible based on:
 - Clear priorities identified through data/information provided by the RRISs, IMET assessments, other MEAs as well as social/governance assessments, existing thematic studies and expert's reviews.
 - Their contribution to the objectives of the BIOPAMA programme.
 - Being able to achieve practical and tangible results and outcomes in the field in a limited period of time.

Types of Interventions

- Interventions that are of practical field application and limited in time (by June 2023);
- Creation of key essential infrastructure for management, patrolling, anti-poaching operations, visitors management as well as obtaining key essential equipment to ensure the effective implementation of these field operations;
- Initiate key field activities in priority protected areas oriented to implement climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies;
- Support on the ground actions aiming to increase the livelihoods of local communities living in and around protected areas.

Third parties eligible to receive financial support should be:

- A public or private legal entity (e.g. registered/incorporated company or organization).
- A non-profit-making organization.
- Local non-governmental organization (NGO).
- Local Civil Society Organization (CSO) or an association of CSOs.
- A local Community Based Organization (CBO).
- A local Non-Profit Organization (NPO).
- A local government body (a municipality, city of a territory, communal services) with demonstrated capacity in managing PAs.
- A regional organization carrying out field projects.
- An international organization carrying out field projects.

Not eligible:

- **Individuals**
- **Sole traders**

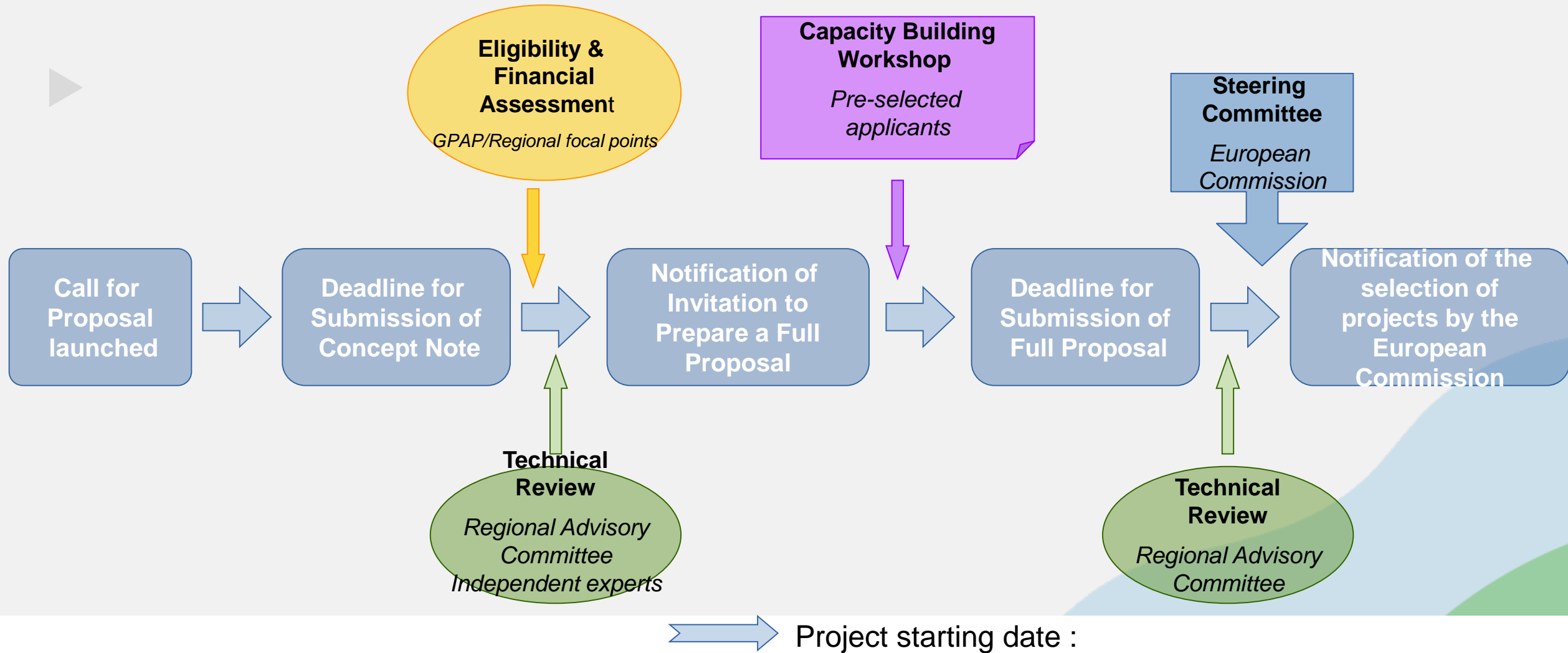
Criteria for the selection of third parties:

- Demonstrated capacity to complement and add value to BIOPAMA's work;
- Ability to enhance outreach in terms of thematic, geographical, stakeholder and beneficiary coverage;
- Good track record of enabling and facilitating changes that can significantly contribute to medium-long term impacts in biodiversity conservation and sustainable livelihoods;
- Ability to improve BIOPAMA's visibility and positioning in the ACP, EU and global contexts (at least a functional communicator expert and/or unit in place);
- The beneficiaries have to successfully pass the IUCN Risk and Due Diligence Assessment.

Proposed types of grants which may be granted:

- ▶ ➤ Swift Small Grants: ≤ € 50 000 for an implementation period of 12 months.
- ▶ ➤ Small Grants: > € 50 000 and ≤ € 100 000 for an implementation period of 12-24 months.
- ▶ ➤ Medium Grants: > € 100 000 and ≤ € 400 000 for an implementation period of up to 36 months. The maximum amount per third party cannot exceed € 400 000.

Proposed Small Grant Selection Process



2 stages process

Step 1

Concept Note (Simplified Application Form)

Deadline for submission :



- Eligibility / Admissibility check
- Due diligence Financial Risk Assessment
- Independent Technical review

Step 2 (for pre-selected applicants)

Full Proposal (Detailed Application Form)

+ *Additional elements : budget, logframe, project timeline*

co-applicants/affiliated entity information, organisation documents (e.g. timesheets)

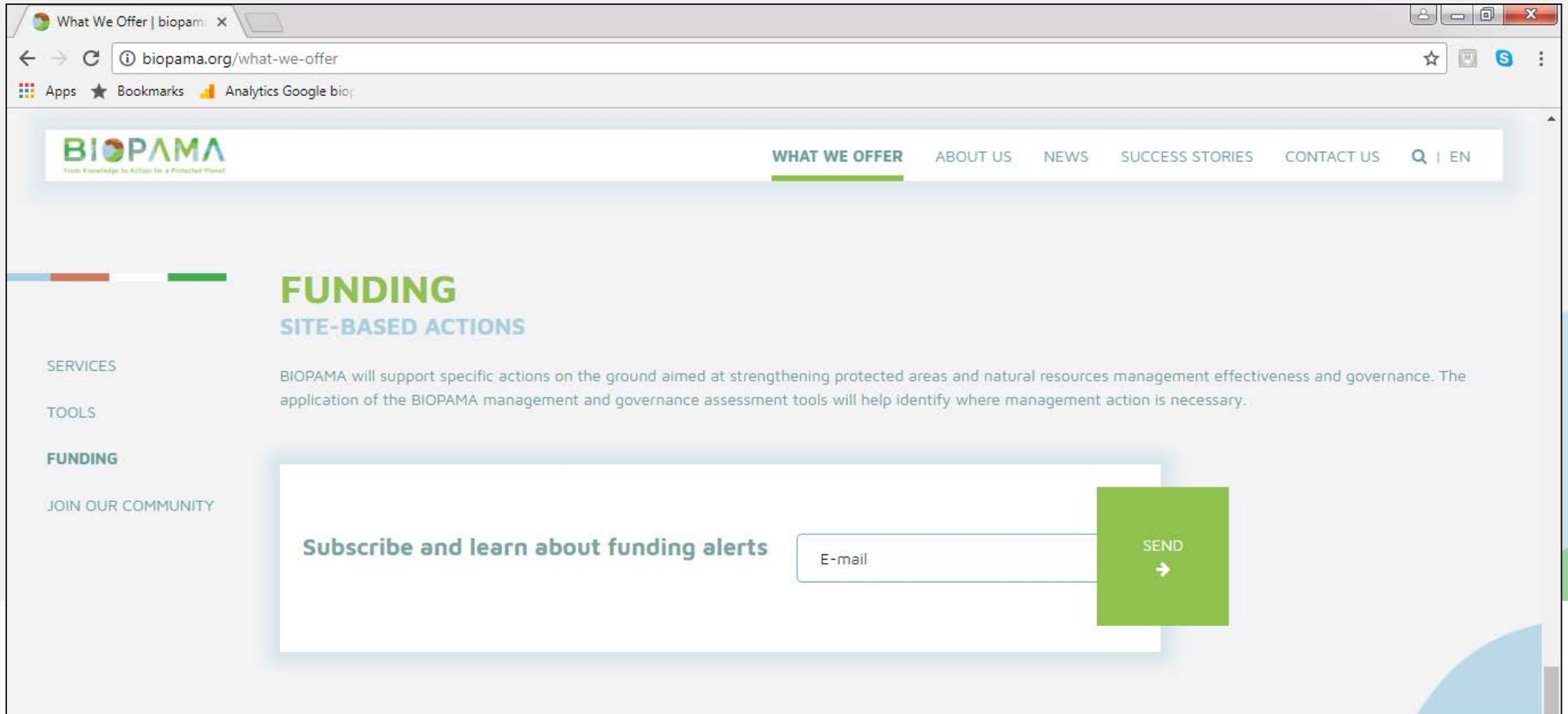
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Next Steps to operationalize the Action Component:

- An IUCN Project Officer for managing the Action Component will be recruited shortly.
- An Operational Manual (OM) to guide the effective use of the Action Component will be developed. It will be based on the experience of the OM currently in use for the BEST 2.0 Project.
- The Operational Manual will be submitted for review and approval by the BIOPAMA Steering Committee. All elements outlined in this presentation are ***a first proposed approach to this process but they need to be approved by the Steering Committee at its first meeting (2nd week of July 2018).***
- The first call for proposals will be issued soon after the meeting of the BIOPAMA Steering Committee; tentatively in August-September 2018.

Timeline and process

First call expected in the second half of 2018



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