

Webinar

1st external Call EJP SOIL

„Towards Healthy, Resilient and Sustainable Agricultural Soils“

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Introduction | EJP SOIL

towards climate-smart sustainable management of
agricultural soils

<https://ejpsoil.eu/>

Start 01st Feb 2020 (60 months)

Coordination INRAE (FR)

Deputy coordination WR (NL)

26 partners from 24 countries

3 internal calls (partners only)

2 external calls

GA 862696



Introduction | EJP SOIL

The overall goal of the EJP SOIL is to **build a sustainable European integrated research system on agricultural soils** and develop and deploy a reference framework on climate-smart sustainable agricultural soil management.



Sustainable agricultural production



Carbon sequestration



Healthy Soils



Land and soil restoration



Biodiversity



Ecosystem services

Introduction | Infos & Documents

1st external Call

EJP SOIL Website

<https://ejpsoil.eu/>

- Subscribe for Newsletter
- Information about EJP SOIL programme
- General Information & link to Submission website
- Connected to linkedIn & Twitter



- Read thoroughly the objectives and targets of EJP SOIL!
- Check on ongoing projects

Submission Website

<https://ejp-soil.ptj.de/>

- Submission system for preparation and submission of your proposal
- Partnering tool
- Call announcement as download
- Templates for proposal preparation



- Read thoroughly Call document!
- Use template and documents provided in download area

Introduction | Contact data

Questions about

Technical support

General call
procedure

National issues

Call office

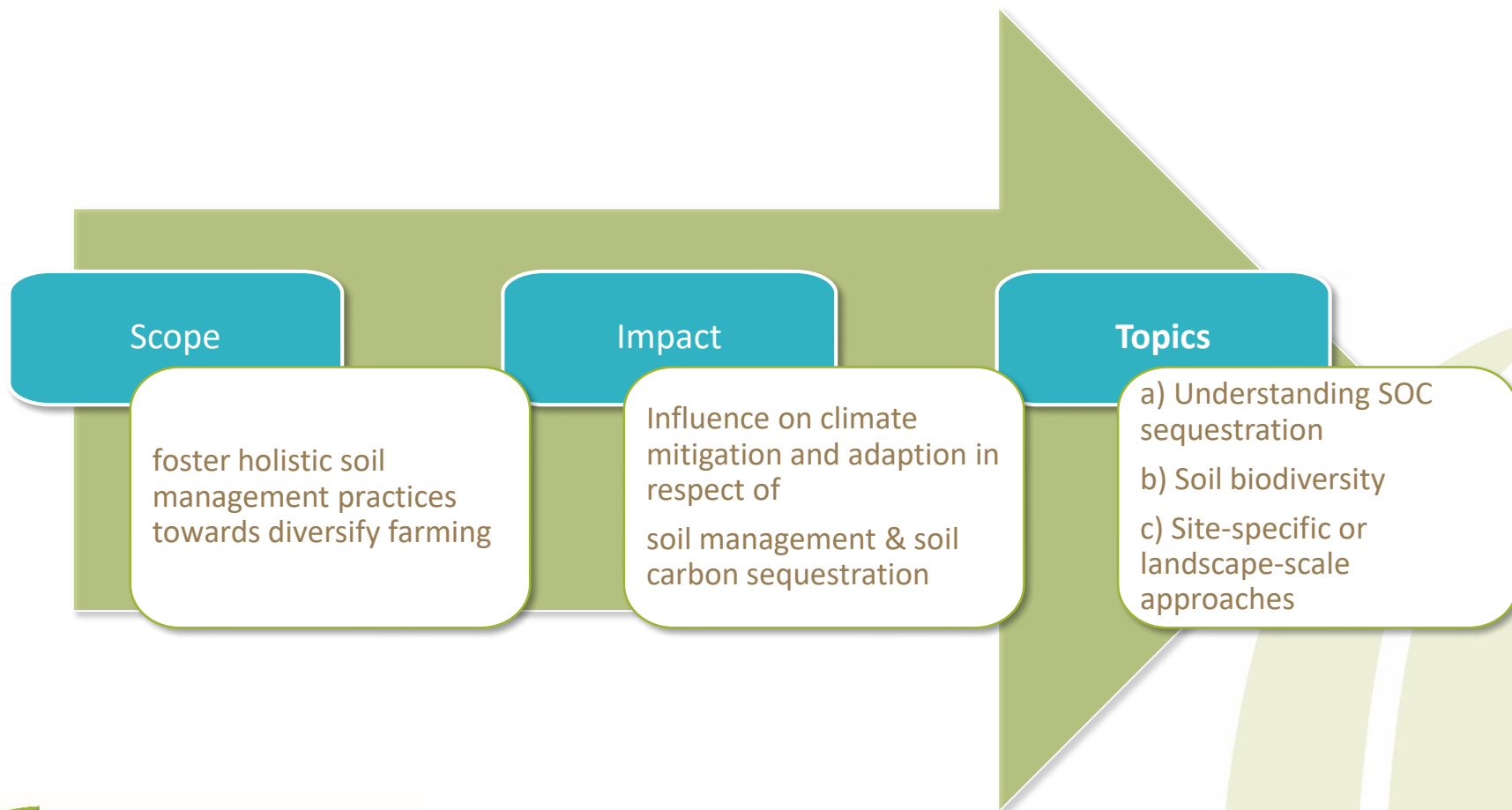
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National Contact Points (NCPs)

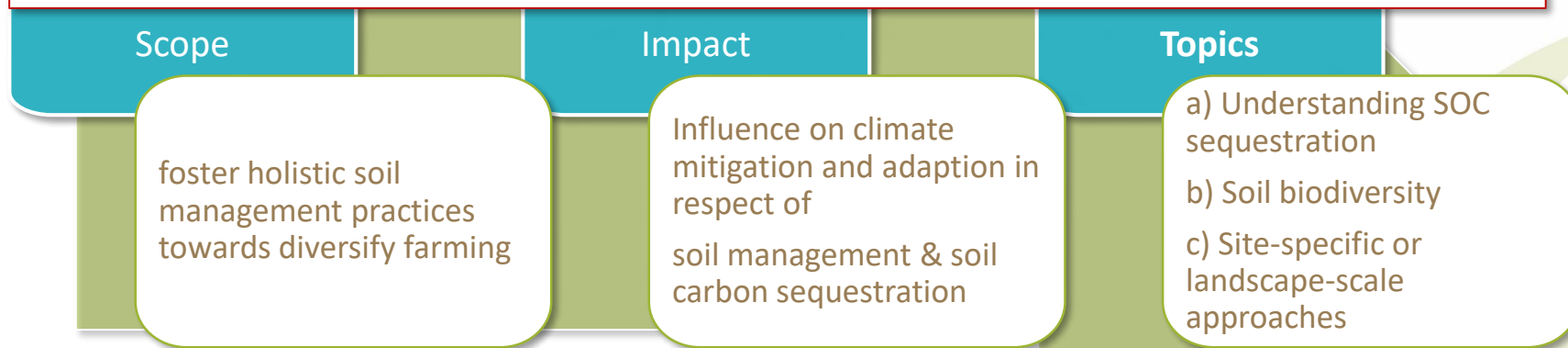
Call document
Annex A p.18

Scope & Topics | Scope & Impact



Scope & Topics | Scope & Impact

Note: Not all Funding Parties are funding all topics! Please carefully read **Annex H – national/Regional/GRA regulations** of the Call announcement!



Who can apply & Funding Parties



Organisation

GRA
INTA
CRAW
FWO
AAFC/AAC
BMBF
MMM
ANR
NKFIH
DAFM
MIPAAF
ZUM
RCN
MPI
NCBR
FCT
MSHE
UKRI-BBSRC

Who can apply & Funding Parties

- Universities and other higher education institutions
- public research institutions,
- private non-profit organisations, and
- private companies

- See Annex H
- Read carefully !

- See Annex A
- Highly recommend to contact NCP

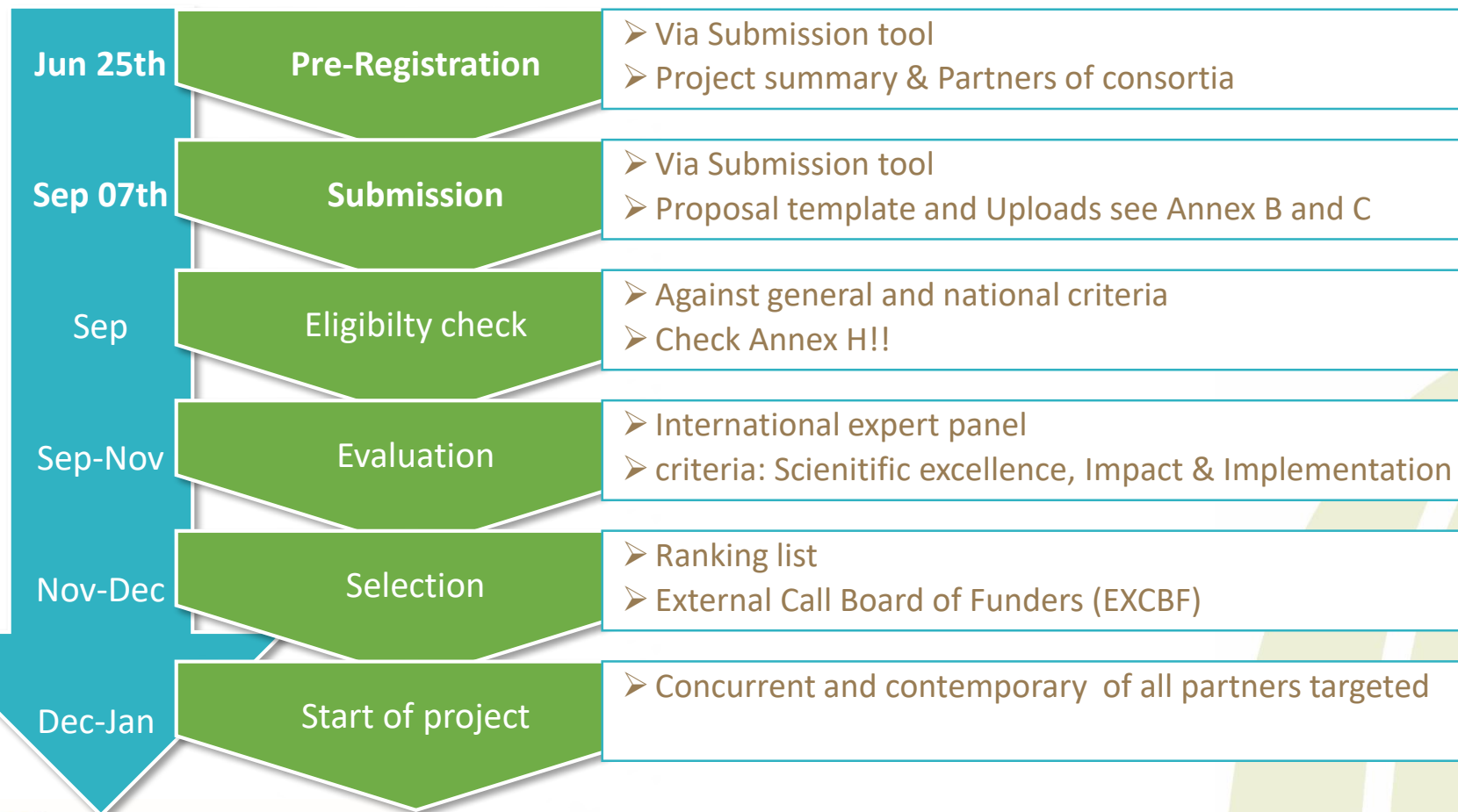
National contact
points

National/Regional/
GRA Regulations

General Regulations

Eligible Partners of
consortia

Timeline & Procedure | Timeline



Procedure | Pre-Registration

Pre-registration



Entering following data into submission tool

- Project summary and topic assignment
- Contact data of all partners



June 25th 2021, 1 pm CEST (Berlin, Germany)

Procedure | Pre-Registration



Procedure | Submission

Submission



Entering data and upload documents as described in Annex C

- Consider character/page limitations for each section
- Check completeness via validation bar in submission tool



Sep 07th 2021, 4 pm CEST (Berlin, Germany)

Procedure | Submission

Submission



Entering data on the tool as described in Annex C
Note: Do not forget to register beforehand!!!
Check completeness via validation bar in submission tool



Sep 07th 2021, 4 pm CEST (Berlin, Germany)

Procedure | Proposal template

Section	Comment	Type
Coordinator/Partner Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Contact data (part of pre-registration) ➤ CVs & Task(s) within project 	Data entry pdf upload
Project data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Summary (publishable, part of pre-registration) & assignment to topic 	Data entry
Description of Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 3 parts: Scientific excellence, Relevance & Impact, Implementation 	Data entry
Work plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Description of WPs and Gantt Diagram ➤ Template provided, see Annex F 	pdf upload
Data management plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ FAIR Data Management ➤ See Annex D 	Pdf upload
Societal & Ethical Aspects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Crosscheck if any of those aspects exists 	Data entry
Finances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Detailed description of requested funding 	Data entry
Dissemination & Communication plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ See Annex G 	Pdf upload
Letter of Commitment(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ See Annex E and provided template 	Pdf upload
Literature References	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ optional 	Pdf upload
Evaluators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ optional 	Data entry

Eligibility criteria I

Criteria	Comment
Proposal must be written in English	➤ Incl. CVs!
Proposals must be complete and in accordance to the procedure and must be submitted via the online submission tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Use validation bar within submission tool to check on completeness ➤ See Annex B to check on completeness of documents to be uploaded
A project summary including assignment to one of the topics described in chapter 4 must be submitted and the coordinator and partners must registered until 25th June 2021 13:00 CEST (Pre-registration) via the online submission tool, registration means that coordinator and partners have to fill in their contact data into the appreciate forms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Do not forget to enter project summary (incl. Topic assignment) and contact data of all partners until the 25th of June! ➤ Projects who failed to pre-register will not be considered!
Complete proposals must be submitted until 07th September 2021 16:00 CEST via the submission tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Don't wait until "the last minute" for your submission as high traffic will occur on last day of submission ➤ Recommendation: submit a preliminary version of the proposal well beforehand of the deadline.

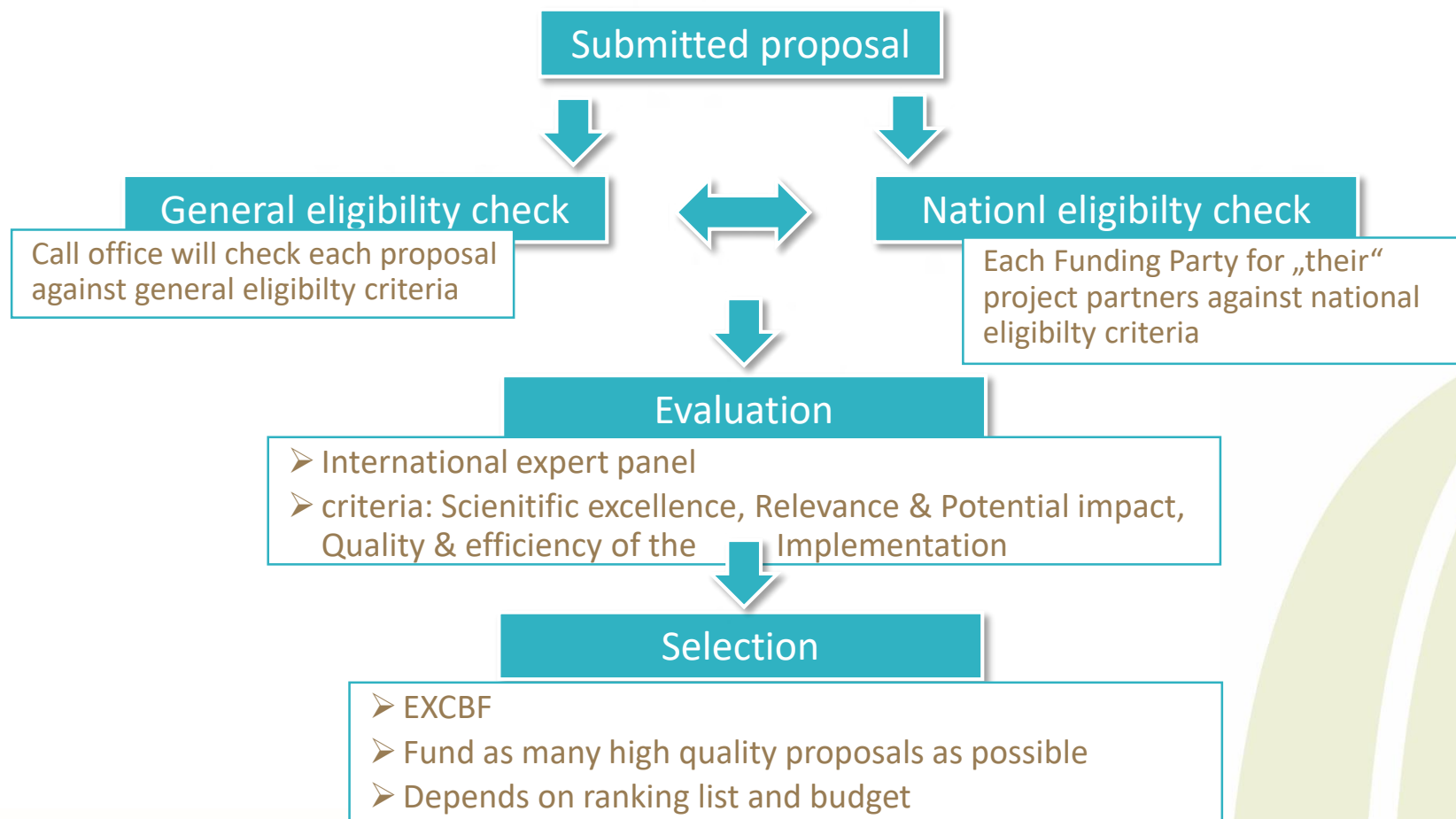
Eligibility criteria II

Criteria	Comment
Consortia must include at least three eligible partners requesting funding from at least three different EXCBF member countries who contribute funds to the Call. There is no maximum number of partners. However, the EXCBF of the call recommends that applying consortia should not include more than ten partners requesting funding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 3 partners from 3 different countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Eligible for funding and must apply for Funding from one of the Funding Parties ➤ Check on eligibility (Annex H)!!! ➤ No maximum number of partners
The involvement of applicants not seeking funding from any of the Funding Parties listed below is additional to the 3 minimum entities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Have financial commitments in place for consortium partners not seeking funding ➤ Template: Annex E
The same person cannot act as a coordinator for more than one proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ But can act as partner in other consortia
Applicants should avoid duplication with projects funded or submitted in other calls in the H2020 programme or ERA-NETs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Double funding of projects is not allowed!

Eligibility criteria III

Criteria	Comment
Each applying consortium must be led by a project coordinator, who must be from an organisation that is eligible for funding from its Funding Party. Applicants seeking funding from the GRA are eligible as project partners, but cannot apply as project coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Project coordinator must apply for funding ➤ Reserve budget for coordination of projects and meetings ➤ See Annex H for limit of funding
The minimum project duration is 24 months and the maximum is 36 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Check also Annex H
Applicants must complete an ethics self assessment as part of the application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Animals, embryos involved? ➤ Perform ethical self assessment: https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/ethics/h2020_hi_ethics-self-assess_en.pdf
Applicants ineligible to receive funding from any of the Funding Parties of the 1st external call of EJP SOIL are welcome to contribute to project consortia if they can secure their own expenses and hence have to submit a “letter of financial commitment” (see Annex E). However these applicants cannot be coordinator and their contribution should not be essential for the project’s successful implementation (achieving of milestones) and they will not count towards the minimum number of partners. Same applies to associated partners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Make sure that financial commitments are in place well in advance of the submission deadline ➤ Template: Annex E ➤ Key achievements shall not be within the working description of associated partners

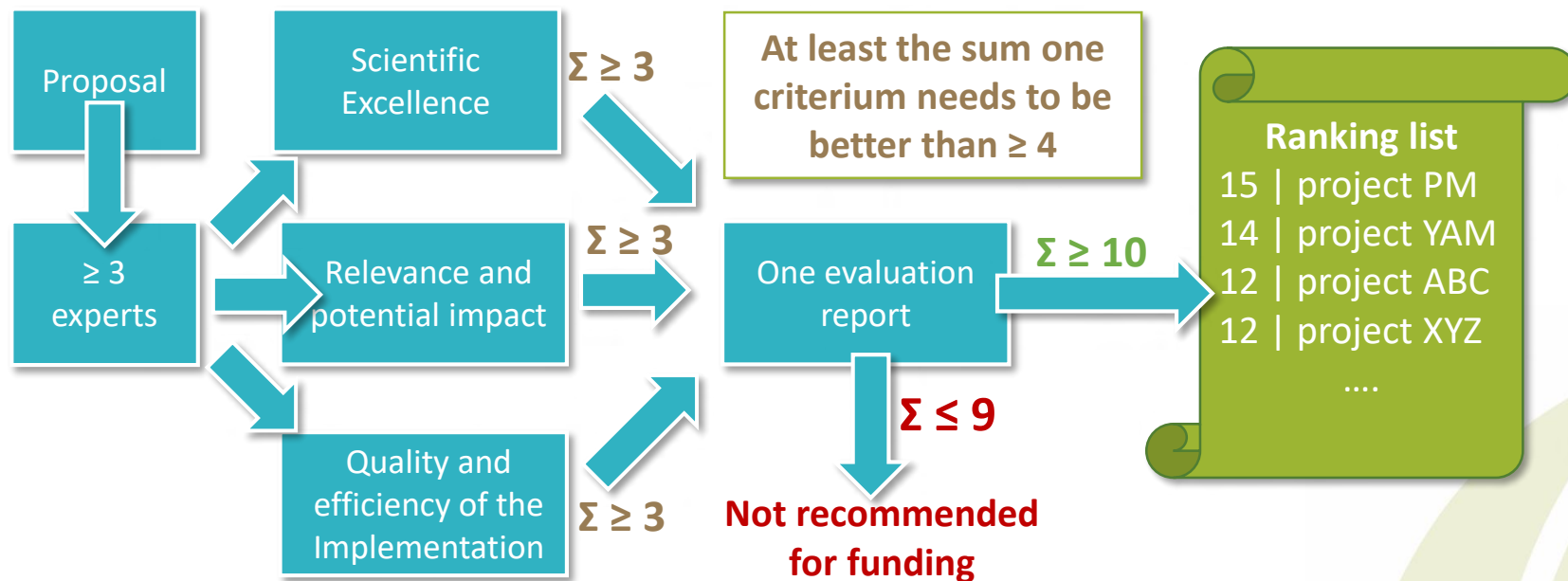
Evaluation & Selection of proposals



Evaluation & Selection of proposals

Criterium	Comment
Scientific excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Respect to the project itself and the partners of the consortium➤ Use possibility to upload an extra file for literature
Relevance and potential impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Take care to elaborate the impact of your project to the objectives of the EJP SOIL programme!➤ Provide a sound dissemination and communication plan!
Quality and efficiency of the Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Sound Workplan and Ghannt chart➤ Use Annex F as template! Content of this template is minimum requirements for the workplan and Ghannt chart

Evaluation & Selection of proposals



- 5 ... Excellent. Shortcomings, If any, are minor
- 4 ... Very Good. Small number of shortcomings
- 3 ... Good. Number of shortcomings
- 2 ... Fair. Significant weakness
- 1 ... Poor. Serious inherent weakness
- 0 ... The proposal fails to address the criterion

Submission tool

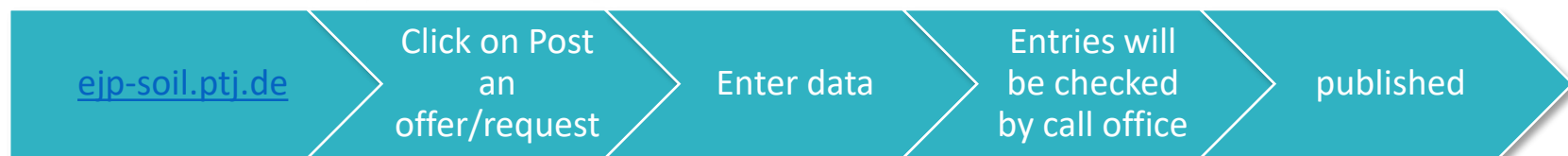


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Partnering tool



☰	PARTNERING TOOL
●	POST AN OFFER/REQUEST >
●	LIST OF OFFERS/REQUESTS >

POST AN OFFER OR REQUEST

Type of Post:

☒ Post an Offer

☐ Post a Request

Contact data

Contact Name

Email Address:

Name of Organisation/Institution/Company

Country

Type of Organisation:

Phone Number:

Project Data

Topic:

Keywords:

Please specify your cooperation interest



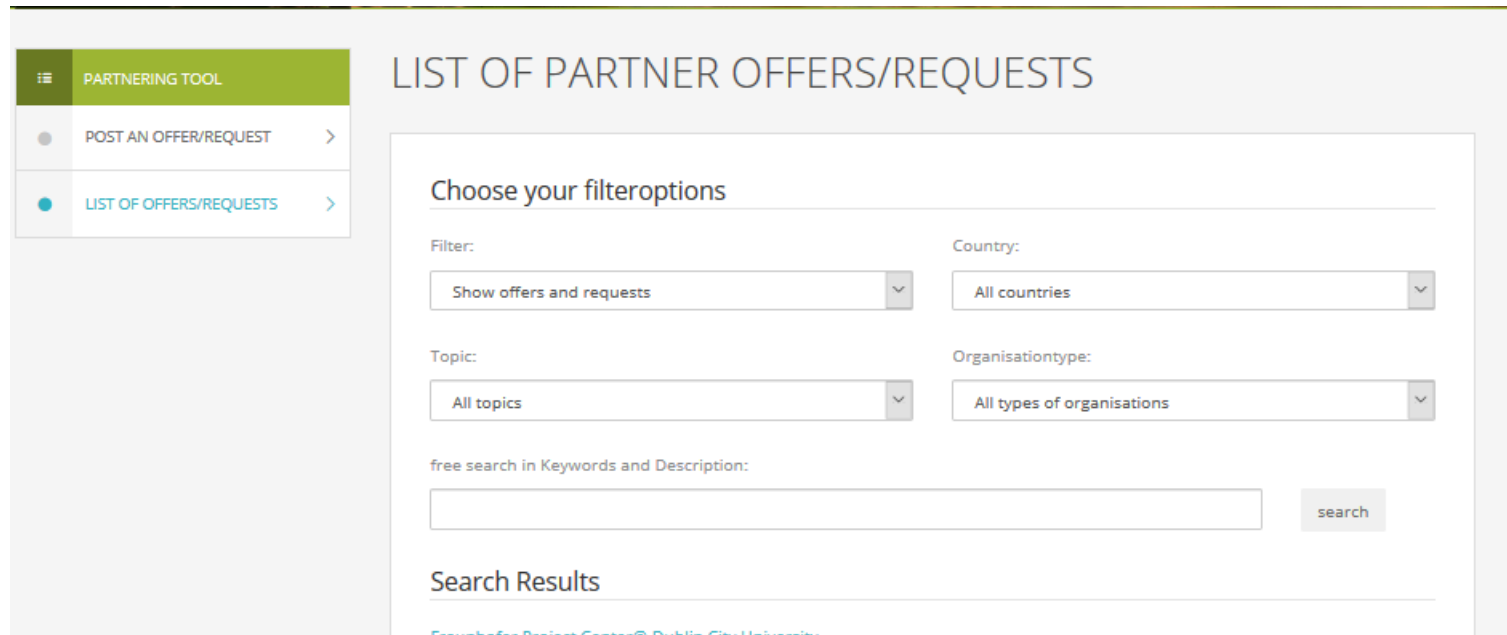
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Partnering tool

ejp-soil.ptj.de

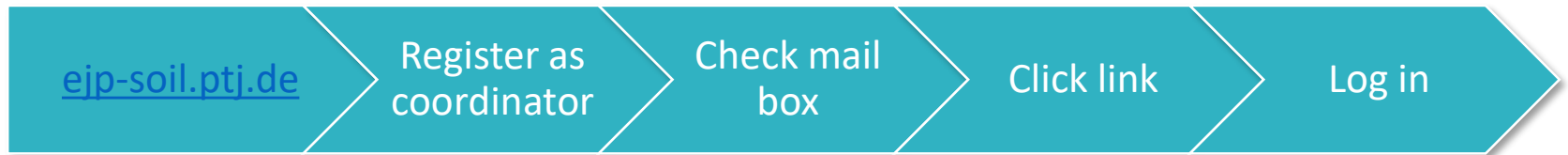
Click on List of
offers/requests

Search for



The screenshot displays the 'LIST OF PARTNER OFFERS/REQUESTS' page of the EJP SOIL Partnering Tool. On the left, a sidebar menu under the heading 'PARTNERING TOOL' contains three items: 'POST AN OFFER/REQUEST' (inactive), 'LIST OF OFFERS/REQUESTS' (active, highlighted in blue), and a third item (inactive). The main content area is titled 'LIST OF PARTNER OFFERS/REQUESTS' and features a section 'Choose your filteroptions'. This section includes four dropdown menus: 'Filter:' (set to 'Show offers and requests'), 'Country:' (set to 'All countries'), 'Topic:' (set to 'All topics'), and 'Organisationtype:' (set to 'All types of organisations'). Below these is a text input field for 'free search in Keywords and Description:' with a 'search' button. The 'Search Results' section is currently empty. At the bottom, a small text line reads 'Fraunhofer Project Center@ Dublin City University'.

Register as coordinator



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CALL OFFICE LOGIN

Login name:

Password:

Forgotten your password? [Please click here.](#)

COORDINATOR REGISTRATION >

COORDINATOR LOGIN >

PARTNER LOGIN >

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Invite partners & log in as partner

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SUBMISSION PLATFORM

WELCOME

ACCOUNT

COORDINATOR

PARTNERS

PARTNER LIST

LIST OF PARTNERS, INCLUDING THE PROJECT COORDINATOR:

Organisation	Contact name	Organisation type	Nat. reg.	Country	
University ABC	Jenny Smith	University	✓	Germany	
Research Institute ABC	Tom Smith	Research Institute	✓	United Kingdom	
University Anytown	Julien Bradon	University	✓	France	

+ Add a new partner

- After you have added a new partner, activate him/her by pressing the "activate" button in the table. Your partner will receive a notification email.

Pre-registration

Coordinator profile	Partner profile	Project data	Project summary
Contact data	Contact data	Select topic	Publishable

- Enter requested data → pre-registration done, no extra submission needed
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- Coordinator shall not be changed

Note: Pre-Registration supports the call office to prepare evaluation phase

Pre-registration

Coordinator
profile

Partner profile

Project data

Project
summary

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PROJECT DATA

KEYWORDS

PROJECT SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

WORKPLAN

PROJECT DATA

Save

* is required for submission

Project title *
Max. 150 characters
Meaningful and describing titel of project (max. 150 characters)

Project acronym *
Max. 25 characters
Proposal template

Start date *
02 / 2022

End date *
01 / 2025

Project duration *
Please enter the start and end date of your project. The project duration must be at least 24 month as described in section 5.2 of the call announcement.
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Topic
Please specify which topic your project most suitably relates to.
(a) Understanding SOC sequestration (stabilization, storage and persistence)

Save

Finance plan

Requested Funding

Organisation name	Personnel	Travel	Cosumable /Equipment	Sub-contracts	Requested funding	Total own contribution	Total costs
Name1	Needs to be entered for each partner				Will be entered/calculated by system		
Overhead							
Name2							
Overhead							

Own Contribution

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Name1	Needs to be entered for each partner				Will be calculated by system
Name2					

Finance plan

●	PROJECT SUMMARY	>
●	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	>
●	WORKPLAN	>
●	DATA MANAGEMENT PLAN	>
●	SOCIETAL & ETHICAL ASPECTS	>
●	FINANCIAL PLAN	>
●	FINANCE COMMENTS	>
●	DISSIMINATION AND COMMUNICATION PLAN	>
●	FIGURES	>
●	LETTER(S) OF COMMITMENT	>
●	LITERATURE REFERENCES	>

Organisation name	Personnel	Travel	Consumables / Equipment	Subcontracts	Requested Funding	Total Own Contribution	Total Costs
University ABC	50	3	20	1	75	0	75
Overhead	1	0	0	0			
Research Institute ABC	25	3	5	0	33	10	43
Overhead	0	0	0	0			
University Anytown	45	2	60	12	119	0	119
Overhead	0	0	0	0			
TOTAL	121	8	85	13	227	10	237

✓ Save

Finance comments

- give short explanation for each subject listed in finance plan
- Make sure that the outlined described costs are in line with the costs entered in the finance plan!
- Make sure that description of costs are in line with the work plan!

Finance Plan | Partner 1 | Personnel

requested funding: 50,000 €, Overhead: 10,000 €, Own contribution: 10,000 €, total costs: 70,000 €

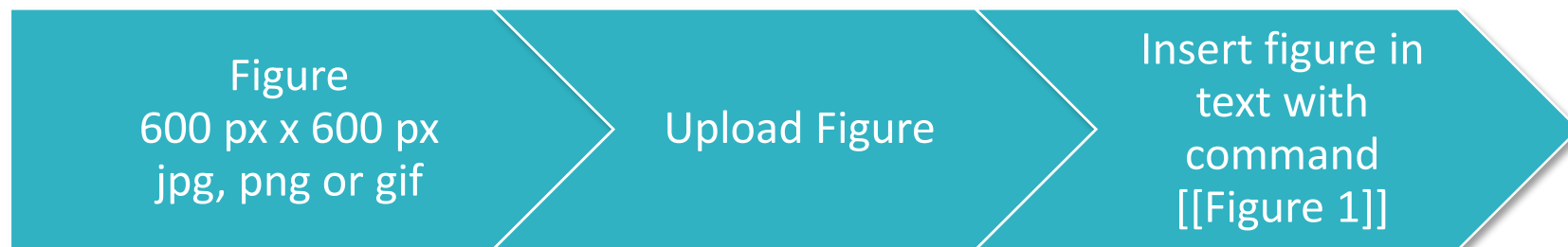
Finance comments | Partner 1 | Personnel

1 Researcher, 6 PM, 50,000 €

1 Technican, 4 PM, 20,000 €

- Check sum of PM for each partner within the WPs
- Check planned meetings with description travel
- ...

Upload of max. 6 Figures



Example

The flower in our garden needs water as seen in the next figure . [[Figure1]] Please use the watering can to proceed.

The flower in our garden needs water as seen in the next figure.



Please use the watering can to proceed.

Download & Submission

Download proposal

- Any time during preparation phase
- Coordinator and partners
- Uploaded files are attached at the end of proposal
- Figures included

Submission of proposal

- Only possible if proposal is complete
- Check on completeness via validation bar
- Only coordinator can upload

We wish you success with your application

Thank You



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