Overview

Understanding and avoiding maladaptation to climate change

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Purpose and scope

The European Commission's Horizon Europe Research and Innovation Action (RIA) funds research on understanding and avoiding maladaptation to climate change. Its research and evidence scope is Europe and globally.

Funding

The expected EU contribution is EUR 5.00–6.00 million per project; proposals requesting other amounts are not precluded.

Who can apply

Applicants must meet the eligibility conditions in General Annex B; the topic states that an exception applies.

Priorities

Required activities include analyzing the drivers of maladaptation across diverse systems and socio-economic and environmental conditions using integrated, systemic methods and SSH. Partners must consider trade-offs, feedbacks, decision and implementation failures, and uncertainty, and include public and private stakeholder perspectives, intersectional analysis, and gender-disaggregated data where relevant and feasible.

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