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## ForestValue2

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Financial scheme: Joint transnational calls Deadline 2: 1 September 2023, 00:00 CEST Relevant thematic areas for this call: Land-based food, the environment and bioresources

Target groups: Research organisations

## Transnational call for proposals for research, development and innovation in the forest-based sector

The aim of the Joint Call is to support a transnational collaborative systems approach that will produce knowledge to support the best possible use of forests and forest resources balancing the multiple benefits for society, climate, environment and the economy

Forests play a vital role in delivering multiple benefits for climate, people and communities, supporting biodiversity, providing clean water, wood production, and the economy. In addition, these systems must be resilient and adaptable to the changing climate and are crucial to mitigating the effects of climate change.

The forest-based sector can contribute to climate change mitigation through increasing forest sinks, maintaining carbon pools and the substitution of non-renewable resources through the sustainable and circular use of wood-based materials.

The use of wood and wood products in building systems is a proven way to mitigate climate change, with long life end-use products, utilized through a cascading approach, providing optimal carbon storage.

Sustainable forest management is a well-established practice, safeguarding a continued supply of timber while contributing to carbon sequestration. Close to nature forestry has the potential to restore and protect ecosystems, promote resilience and biodiversity while maintaining the production of goods and services.

However, there is a need for a more comprehensive understanding of the synergies and trade-offs between management and the provision of ecosystem services.

The rationale above must be addressed through either of the two themes:

Theme 1 - Resilient sustainable forest systems and management Theme 2 – Sustainable timber building systems

## Information about conditions for awarding state aid

Large companies, SMEs and stakeholder associations are encouraged to participate as part of a consortium. Funding quota for companies and industrial partners must be in compliance with the EU state aid rules. Funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company, typically up to a range of 50%. Individual companies and industrial partners may have different funding quota, but the maximum funding quota is 70 % of the industrial partners' total eligible costs in the project.

Read more: <u>https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/apply-for-funding/funding-from-the-research-council/Conditions-for-awarding-state-aid/</u>

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## (i) Important message

For the <u>calls for proposals with the application deadline 4 June</u> at 13:00 CEST, we manage our hotline +47 22 03 72 00 Monday 2 June and Tuesday 3 June at CEST 08:00–15:00 and Wednesday 4 June at CEST 08:00-13:00.