

European Forest Institute

Grant process G-05-2023 Pilots of long-term climate impact forest monitoring sites

Questions and answers

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#	Question	Answer
1.	Does the Principal investigator needs to be from CSIC or can be from a public university and if it is possible a PI (University) and a Co-PI (CSIC).	The participants can do as they see fit. There are no such requirements in this respect in the call for grants or grant submission guidelines.
2.	Our proposal will be led by just one institution, and we were wondering whether two persons can be PI of the proposal within that institution.	The participants can do as they see fit. There are no requirements in this respect in the call for grants or the grant submission guidelines.
3.	It's not clear to us whether the person to be listed in Part A (A2.1), as representative of the coordinator organisation, refers to some legal figure (director or other administrative staff) or this is the place to specify the scientific PI of the proposal, as section A2.2 only lists 'participants'. If this section in A2.1 is the place to specify the PIs, we would like to know whether two persons can be specified.	The person to be listed in Part A (2.1) must have the legal capacity to act on behalf or his/her organisation and must be authorised to sign the application form.
4.	Considering the approaching deadline of January 15, 2023, we are evaluating the feasibility of submitting a high-quality proposal within the given timeframe. Given the importance of our commitment to excellence, we wanted to inquire whether there are plans for future calls in the Pilots of Long-Term Climate Impact Forest Monitoring Sites category beyond the upcoming deadline. This information would be valuable for our strategic planning.	We cannot provide information on possible future calls.
5.	Can a proposal have two coordinators (from the same institution in our case)?	There can only be one coordinator (entity), but within the project the work can be divided howsoever it is agreed between the participants.
6.	Regarding the budget for equipment: can we request the budget to cover the whole cost of a certain equipment or are we only allowed to request the budget proportional to the use of	The budget and the costs therein must correspond to the implementation of the project and its activities.

	the equipment during the lifetime or the project, that is taking into account the depreciation of the equipment?	
7.	One of the researchers participating in the call has a permanent position at the institution acting as the legal entity submitting the call. However, the salary of this researcher is paid by a different institution, with a different VAT. Are the corresponding personnel cost for this researcher eligible in this call?	The budget and the costs therein must correspond to the implementation of the project and its activities.