

European Forest Institute
Grant process G-06-2023
Characterization of European forest disturbances
Questions and answers
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#	Question	Answer
1.	Regarding the recently announced calls G-06-2023 and G05-2023, we would like to ask if the provided services for the two calls are accounted as service performance/service contract to EFI, or the services will be provided as Partner within the FORWARDS Horizont project (based on the grant regulations of Horizon RIA projects)?	These are grant calls and not invitations to tender/procurement. Applicants awarded a grant will enter into a grant agreement with EFI. The grant agreement template can be found on the grants website: https://efi.int/grants-training/grants/G-05-2023 and https://efi.int/grants-training/grants/G-06-2023
2.	The project runtime is planned to be 12 months, but it is difficult to find personal/employ people for only 12 month (especially for PhD students). My question therefore is whether the full grant money needs to be spent within the project year, or whether some of it can be spent afterwards.	The grant is awarded for the project.
3.	It remains unclear to me what the final goal of the project is? Is the final goal to have a sample-based dataset on disturbance in Europe since 2000 or should the data also be analyzed with respect to rates/trends in disturbances?	The main goal is to produce a sample-based reference dataset on forest disturbance. Also, exploiting the reference dataset to address one of the issues mentioned in the call text or to propose and develop methods to do so is strongly encouraged
4.	What types of costs can be paid by the project? Personnel? Travel? Infrastructure such as computers?	The budget and the costs therein must correspond to the implementation of the project and its activities. You can find the budget table in Application Form- Part B, wherein all the categories are listed.
5.	I'm a researcher at a university. Can I apply for your grant (G-06-2023)?	This call is not open for applications from natural persons. You can find all the eligibility criteria in the grant submission guidelines .

6.	As the use of Sentinel-2 data is specifically mentioned in the grant guideline, is it also allowed to use Sentinel-1 radar data for the disturbance monitoring and statistical characterization of disturbances in European forests?	Yes, integrating different source of data is welcome.
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