

# PERISCOPE

## NORTH SEA FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR BLUE GROWTH



## ELIGIBLE TO ALL NORTH SEA COUNTRIES

<b>LIFE</b> The LIFE programme is the EU's financial instrument supporting environmental, nature conservation and climate action projects throughout the EU. LIFE consists of two sub-programmes: Environment: projects in the field of green, circular economy and the protection of nature. <b>Climate</b> projects in the areas of renewable energies, energy efficiency, farming, land use, and peat-land management.	<b>Horizon 2020</b> Horizon 2020 is the EU's largest research and innovation programme. Several parts of the Horizon programme are interesting for blue growth projects. <b>Subprogrammes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MarTERA</li><li>• EIC</li><li>• InnovFin</li><li>• ELENA</li><li>• INNOSUP</li><li>• Call Blue Growth</li></ul> <b>(Sub) Work programmes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Secure societies</li><li>• Climate action, Environment, Resource Efficiency and Raw Materials</li><li>• Secure, Clean and Efficient Energy</li><li>• Smart, Green and Integrated Transport</li></ul>	<b>ERDF</b> (European Regional Development Fund) The ERDF aims to strengthen economic and social cohesion in the European Union by correcting imbalances between its regions. Sub programmes are formulated per region, based on the local RIS3 strategy.	<b>EMFF</b> (European Maritime and Fisheries Fund) This support is provided to fisheries (including data collection and control), aquaculture and processing, as well as to the sustainable development of fishery and aquaculture areas and the Integrated Maritime Policy.	<b>EFSD</b> (European Fund for Strategic Investments) The European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSD) is one of the three pillars of the Investment Plan for Europe. The EFSD aims to overcome the current investment gap in the EU by mobilising private financing for strategic investments. In terms of the Blue Economy, the plan focuses mainly on maritime infrastructure projects.	<b>CEF</b> (Connecting Europe Facility) The Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) is a key EU funding instrument to promote growth, jobs and competitiveness through targeted infrastructure investment at European level. The CEF is divided into three sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CEF Energy</li><li>• CEF Telecom</li><li>• CEF Transport</li></ul>	<b>ESF</b> (European Social Fund) Supporting jobs, helping people find work and ensuring fairer job opportunities are the aims of the ESF. The Fund provides support to SME's to help them improve their competitiveness and invests in Europe's human capital. Programmes in coastal regions can help to strengthen training and education in the marine and maritime sectors.	<b>EUREKA</b> Organizations that perform market-oriented R&D can use Eureka. The goal is economic growth and solutions for economic, strategic and social issues. EUREKA is not a direct funding instrument. EUREKA projects are funded in a decentralized manner from national sources and depending on national rules. EUREKA instruments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Eurostars</li><li>• Network projects</li><li>• Clusters</li></ul>	<b>Interreg North Sea Region</b> The North Sea Region Programme facilitates transnational cooperation between all seven countries by the North Sea. Interreg North Sea Region focuses on four themes that are most relevant and pressing across the region. These themes are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thinking growth</li><li>• Eco-innovation</li><li>• Sustainable North Sea Region</li><li>• Green transport and mobility</li></ul>	<b>Erasmus+</b> Erasmus+ is the EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport. It provides opportunities for over 4 million participants to study, train, gain experience, and volunteer abroad. It also offers support for activities with partner countries. In addition to offering grants, Erasmus+ also supports teaching, research, networking and policy debate on EU topics.	<b>COSME</b> The goal of the program is improving access for SMEs to finance (through the European Investment Fund EIP) in the form of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Equity Facility for Growth, EFG;</li><li>• Loan Guarantee Facility (LGF);</li><li>• Improving access to markets;</li><li>• Improving framework conditions for the competitiveness and sustainability of SMEs;</li><li>• promoting entrepreneurship and entrepreneurship culture.</li></ul>	<b>COST</b> (European Cooperation in Science and Technology) The European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) provides international research funding for researchers and innovators to set up interdisciplinary research networks in Europe and beyond, this can include all fields of science and technology.	<b>Innovation fund</b> The Innovation Fund is one of the world's largest funding programmes for climate action, for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Innovative low-carbon technologies and processes in energy intensive industries;</li><li>• Carbon capture and utilization;</li><li>• Construction and operation of Carbon capture and storage;</li><li>• Innovative renewable energy generation;</li><li>• Energy storage.</li></ul>	<b>Northern Dimension</b> This fund is a joint policy between EU, Russia, Norway and Iceland. It aims at providing a framework to promote dialogue and concrete cooperation, strengthen stability, well-being and intensified economic cooperation; Four sectoral Partnerships have been established to deal with the following thematic issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• environment;</li><li>• public health and social well-being;</li><li>• transport and logistics;</li><li>• culture.</li></ul>
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## EXTRA NORTH SEA FUNDING

### DENMARK

#### EUDP

Energy Technological Development and Demonstration Program

With support from EUDP, it is possible to conduct projects with experimental development and testing of a technology, system or method under reality-like conditions and thereafter introducing it to market. EUDP offers funding for the development and/or demonstration of all types of energy technology contributing to the goals of the energy policy.

**Managed by:** The Danish Energy Agency.

*The lead partner must be based in Denmark but other partner may be based outside Denmark*

#### MUDP

Environmental Technology Development Program

The MUDP supports the development of technologies, processes and/or services within environmental technology. MUDP supports projects within eight primary areas: Water, climate adjustment, circular economy and the re-use of resources in waste, cleaner air, less noise, fewer problematic chemicals, industrial environmental efforts, and ecological construction.

**Managed by:** The Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark.

*Open for applications for projects inside and outside of Denmark*

#### Danish Maritime Fund

The Danish Maritime Fund provides financial support to initiatives and undertakings, which may serve to develop and promote Danish shipping- and shipbuilding industries. The purpose of The Maritime Fund is to strengthen and develop the shipping and ship building industries with the aim of creating new jobs and strengthening the companies in the industry.

**Managed by:** The Danish Maritime Foundation.

*For an application to be considered, the company or institution must have substantial activities in Denmark, a strong connection, and/or a strong interest in the Danish maritime industry.*

#### Danish Agency for Science and Higher Education

The Danish Agency for Science and Higher Education has responsibility for tasks that require special expertise within research and innovation, for further development of high-quality Danish research, for EU and global cooperation within research and for research infrastructure.

**Managed by:** The Danish Agency for Science and Higher Education.

*The main objective of the Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation is to promote a Danish presence in international research and innovation collaboration.*

### SWEDEN

#### Vinnova (Sweden's Innovation Agency)

VINNOVA promotes sustainable growth by funding needs-driven research and stimulating collaborations between companies, universities, research institutes and the public sector. VINNOVA's programmes and calls target actors in society who are important for Sweden's innovativeness, such as research-focused companies, universities, research institutes and public sector organisations.

*Some of the calls are open to international and bilateral collaborations.*

#### Swedish Institute

The Swedish Institute works in the fields of culture, education, science and business to strengthen international relations and development. To this end, they share information, develop skills, promote cultural exchange and cooperation, and provide funding and grants. They support and collaborate with businesses, universities, cultural institutions and Swedish embassies around the world.

*Some of the calls are open to international and bilateral collaborations.*

#### The Swedish Research Council

The Swedish Research Council is a government agency within the Ministry of Education and Research. They fund research and research infrastructure in all scientific disciplines. In order to provide Swedish research with the best possible prerequisites, we fund research infrastructure, both in Sweden and abroad.

*Funding is also available for foreign parties depending on the specific call. The Swedish Research Council stimulates international research collaboration.*

#### FORMAS

Formas is a government research council for sustainable development. They fund research and innovation, develop strategies, perform analyses and conduct evaluations. The areas of activity include the environment, agricultural sciences and spatial planning.

*Formas international activities should increase the opportunities for Swedish researchers and universities to collaborate internationally.*

### NORWAY

#### Innovation Norway

Through the Innovation contracts, Innovation Norway offers a support program that makes grants available to Norwegian SMEs developing new products or services. Offers funding and technical assistance for the establishment of binding strategic collaboration with a long-term perspective

*Collaboration possible with foreign or other Norwegian companies.*

#### The Research Council of Norway

The Research Council provides funding for activities ranging from projects and networking measures to centres of excellence and research infrastructure. They also provide support to promote the development of research expertise and efforts at institutions. Most of the Research Council's programmes offer funding for international project cooperation, network participation and research stays abroad.

*The projects can include one research institution from inside/outside Norway.*

#### BIA

BIA funds industry-oriented research and has no thematic restrictions. This broad-based programme supports high-quality R&D projects with good business and socio-economic potential.

**Managed by:** the Research Council of Norway

#### Petromaks

The primary objective of the PETROMAKS 2 programme is to generate new knowledge and technology to facilitate the optimal utilisation of Norwegian petroleum resources and enhance the competitiveness of the Norwegian Continental Shelf compared with other petroleum provinces in relation to costs, greenhouse gas emissions and the environment.

**Managed by:** the Research Council of Norway

*Funding may be sought by companies that have been issued an enterprise number under the Register of Business Enterprises. National and international research groups may participate in the Project.*

#### DEMO 2000

DEMO 2000 seeks to ensure long-term competitiveness in the petroleum industry and continued profitable and sustainable development of the petroleum resources on the Norwegian continental shelf. The objective of the programme is to qualify new technology and systems in close collaboration between the supplier industry, oil companies and research institutions.

**Managed by:** the Research Council of Norway

*Candidates may submit personal applications for certain international fellowships that the Research Council administers on behalf of other institutions.*

#### ENOVA

ENOVA undertakings to increase the share of renewable sources of energy in total energy production and contribute thus to a higher level of environmental protection.

**Managed by:** the Research Council of Norway

*Candidates may submit personal applications for certain international fellowships that the Research Council administers on behalf of other institutions.*

### UNITED KINGDOM

#### Regional Selective Assistance (RSA) grants

Regional Selective Assistance (RSA) grants are available to help projects that will create or protect jobs in Scotland.

**Managed by:** Scottish Enterprise.

*Open to none scottish companies. However the project must be based in Scotland*

#### Energy Investment Fund (EIF)

EIF funds are awarded where an evident gap in the funding of a project has emerged that would prevent it from reaching completion.

**Managed by:** Scottish Enterprise.

*Open to non-scottish companies, but must be for projects in Scotland*

#### UKRI - UK Research and Innovation

UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) is the national funding agency investing in science and research in the UK. Operating across the whole of the UK with a combined budget of more than £6 billion, UKRI brings together the 7 Research Councils, Innovate UK and Research England.

*UK Research and Innovation supports a number of schemes ranging from developing research links to funding international research collaborations.*

### NETHERLANDS

#### Subsidy scheme for demonstration projects,

#### feasibility studies and investment preparation projects (DHI)

This subsidy is intended for SMEs that want to enter a new foreign market with their product, invest in a company or convince potential buyers of their technology. It is a low-threshold instrument that helps you realize your international ambitions and applies to both individual companies and alliances / consortia.

**Managed by:** The Netherlands Enterprise Agency

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### GERMANY

#### DFG - German Research Foundation

The DFG supports research in science, engineering, and the humanities through a variety of grant programmes, prizes and by funding infrastructure. Proposals are submitted in a particular field of curiosity, driven basic research that they themselves select. Interdisciplinary proposals are also considered. The DFG supports projects from all areas of science and especially promotes interdisciplinary cooperation among researchers.

*Proposals for research projects with international participation can be submitted at any time within any programme in the DFG funding portfolio.*

#### Renewable Resources

The 'Renewable Resources' funding program sets the framework conditions for the promotion of research, development and demonstration projects on renewable raw materials by the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL).

**Managed by:** The Agency for Renewable Resources (FNR)

*The funding program focuses on an international context to maintain their competitive position.*