

Green Agenda Multiplier

Guidelines for Applicants

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Grant support program for CSOs and CSOs networks

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1. Background

The [Green Agenda for the Western Balkans](#) (GAWB) is a regional initiative supporting sustainable and climate-neutral economic development in the region contributing to the EU integration process of the Western Balkan. The GAWB was adopted at the Sofia Summit in 2020 between the economies of the Western Balkans (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo*¹, North Macedonia, and Serbia) and the European Union.

This initiative is based on the principles of the European Green Deal, presented in 2019, which aims to make Europe the first climate-neutral continent by 2050. The Green Agenda for the Western Balkans encompasses **five key pillars**, through which it aims to systematically address the challenges of climate change. These pillars form the foundation for the transformation of the Western Balkans' economies toward a greener, more resilient, and fairer model of development. The five key pillars are:

- **Decarbonization:** climate, energy, mobility;
- **Circular economy:** sustainable production and consumption;
- **Depollution:** air, water and soil;
- **Sustainable food systems and rural areas;**
- **Biodiversity:** protection and restoration of ecosystems.

The Western Balkans face significant challenges in becoming climate-neutral by 2050, with almost 70% of the region's electricity produced from coal. Air pollution leads to high health impacts, and biodiversity is suffering a loss. The European Commission's 2024 annual enlargement reports indicate that Western Balkan economies are **in early stages** or **moderately prepared** to implement Green Agenda policies, with continuous delays in adopting or amending important policies and legislation due to a lack of long-term planning, governance, and unclear communication. Weak political commitment and an absence of public consultation and transparency further compound these issues, which are detrimental to the region's collective interests in achieving a sustainable and inclusive transition. To address the aforementioned challenges, the Call will support initiatives related to three pillars of the Green Agenda: **Decarbonization**, **Depollution**, and **Biodiversity**.

¹ *This designation does not prejudice the status of Kosovo and is in accordance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244, as well as the International Court of Justice's opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

Civil society organizations (CSOs) play a crucial role in EU integration, policy monitoring, and advocating for community interests. However, environmental CSOs and their networks in the Western Balkans often lack sufficient data, knowledge, and skills, technical, financial, and managerial capacities to actively participate in achieving GAWB goals and struggle with financial sustainability to address demanding reforms. They also face difficulties in understanding and applying existing strategic and regulatory frameworks, creating and maintaining regional networks, and engaging effectively with EU institutions.

National, regional, and EU institutions often do not systematically include CSOs in their regular working plans, providing participatory opportunities on an ad-hoc or pro forma basis. The [GAWB Implementation Reports](#) published by Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) highlighted the limited engagement of civil society in GAWB implementation and consultations. Through the **Green Agenda Multiplier Call for Award of Small Grants**, the project aims to address these challenges by strengthening local CSOs' capacities to participate in decision making processes on local and national and to participate in regional initiatives thus supporting the development of climate-neutral and climate-resilient economies in the Western Balkans.

This Call for the Award of Small Grants is announced under the **Green Agenda Navigator** project, implemented by Belgrade Open School (BOS) in cooperation with six regional partners: the [Aarhus Centre Association in Bosnia and Herzegovina](#), [Eco-Team](#) from Montenegro, [Eco-Z](#) from Kosovo*, the Center for Environmental Research and Information [Eko-Svest](#) from North Macedonia, the [Protection and Preservation of Natural Environment](#) organization from Albania, and [CEE Bankwatch Network](#).

The project "*Green Agenda Navigator - Empowering civil society to support development of climate-neutral and climate-resilient economies in the Western Balkans*" aims to contribute to inclusive democratization and participatory implementation of reforms in the EU accession process of the Western Balkans (WB) through enhancing cooperation, understanding, and the impact of civil society organizations on the implementation of the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans (GAWB) 2021-2030 at local, national and regional levels. Project activities will be implemented until May 31, 2027, with financial support from the European Union.

2.Objectives and expected results

The Green Agenda Multiplier Program will respond to the WB environmental CSOs' and their networks' needs for strengthened capacities **to participate in GAWB decision-making processes**. Conducted capacity building for WB CSOs and networks will empower these target groups to contribute to the GAWB reforms. Financial support will contribute to the financial sustainability of CSOs and CSOs' networks and **encourage them to create real impact on the ongoing GAWB reforms**. Closer cooperation between WB CSOs and their networks will secure mutual learning, improvement of internal capacities for exploiting benefits of Green Agenda, networking and launching of joint initiatives for supporting GAWB reforms in each of 6 WB economies.

Overall objective of the Call is to increase cooperation, understanding, and impact of CSOs in GAWB implementation.

The specific objectives of the Program are:

- To increase the impact of GAWB-related CSOs interventions at the local, national, and Western Balkan levels.
- To strengthen CSOs capacity regarding specific GAWB pillars (Decarbonization, Depollution, and Biodiversity).
- To increase participation and broaden networks for CSOs participation in decision-making at the national, regional, and EU level related to GAWB reforms.

The activities implemented under the ***Green Agenda Multiplier*** Program should contribute to the achievement of the following **expected results**:

- Achieved measurable improvements in GAWB-related policies;
- Improved CSOs knowledge and skills on the GAWB;
- Improved regional cooperation and cross-sectoral partnerships between CSOs, public authorities, EU institutions, and international organizations;
- Deepened understanding among the wider public of GAWB-related reform processes.

Applicants are expected to clearly demonstrate how their proposed projects will contribute to the achievement of the stated objectives and expected results of the Program.

3. Thematic areas

The Green Agenda Multiplier Program supports CSOs and CSOs networks (formal and informal) that contribute to the development and reform of GAWB related policies. Funded projects must be thematically aligned with one of the three key pillars of the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans:

- **Decarbonization:** climate, energy, mobility;
- **Depollution:** air, water and soil;
- **Biodiversity:** protection and restoration of ecosystems.

Green Agenda Multiplier will provide financial support to CSOs and their networks across 6 WB economies who have the potential to make a concrete impact on ongoing reforms on the national or local level within three GAWB related pillars.

4. Structure of the Green Agenda Multiplier Program

The **Green Agenda Multiplier** Program offers the following support:

1. Financial support for project implementation: Grants ranging from 15.000 EUR to 25.000 EUR;
2. Capacity-building program: Training and education on GAWB principles and policy reforms;
3. Expert and mentorship support: Tailored guidance throughout the implementation period;
4. Participation in joint regional initiatives and decision-making processes.

4.1. Financial support for project implementation

The total fund available under this program is **250.000 EUR**.

A total of **12 projects** will be selected for funding. However, the BOS reserves the right not to allocate all funds if the number or quality of applications is insufficient.

Financial support is divided into two LOTs:

LOT 1: Support for CSOs

Maximum amount of financial support is 15.000 EUR;

LOT 2: Support for formal or informal CSOs' networks

Maximum amount of financial support is EUR 25.000 EUR

Mandatory co-financing of 10% is required for all supported project ideas. Through the Green Agenda Multiplier program, applicants will receive 90% of the total project budget. Contributions in kind may not be treated as co-financing.

The budget proposal must not exceed the maximum amount specified for the corresponding LOT.

Funded projects must be implemented between **1 November 2025 and 31 October 2026**.

4.2. Capacity building for supported CSOs and networks

Supported CSOs and networks will have the opportunity to strengthen their knowledge and skills related to GAWB through targeted **trainings**. Capacity building programme is aimed at boosting CSOs understanding to GAWB Action Plan policy implementation and regional dialogue opportunities. Capacity building programme will be consisted of pre-selection and kick-off capacity building training.

- **Pre-selection training** will be organised upon opening of the Call for proposals for implementation of FSTP. Participation in the pre-selection training is a **mandatory prerequisite** for further application and submission of project proposals within this program. You can register for the pre-selection training [HERE](#). Once registered, you will receive a link to access the training session.
- Supported CSOs and networks will participate in **kick-off capacity building training** in November 2025.

Both trainings will take place online and will be delivered in English.

4.3. Expert and mentorship support

Supported applicants will receive **expert and mentoring support** tailored to their needs during both the preparation and implementation phases of their projects. Permanent **mentorship support** to CSOs will be provided to enhance CSOs' capabilities in decision making participation and advocacy activities.

4.4. Participation in joint regional initiatives and decision-making processes

Supported organizations will be encouraged to take part in **joint regional initiatives**, enhancing cross-border cooperation and shared learning within the GAWB framework. Joint activities, led by project consortium, will secure coordination of advocacy processes both at regional and EU level and other topics significant for the Action. The aim is to establish closer regional cooperation between different CSOs' networks dealing with the GAWB topics, to enhance exchange of experiences/good practices, lessons learned, to implement joint activities and amplify joint impact.

NB: Applicants are expected to address nationally relevant policy processes, while participation in regional and EU level decision making processes will be coordinated by Green Agenda Navigator project consortium members. Examples of regional processes (Revision of Green Agenda Western Balkans Action Plan, NGO Forums, The Civil Society Forum within the Berlin Process, etc.).

5. Types of activities eligible for financial support

The following activities are eligible for **Green Agenda Multiplier** Program Support:

- Participation in decision making processes on local and national level related to GAWB (such as a working group member or public discussion);
- Engaging citizens and other CSOs in GAWB-related policy processes;
- Introducing new practices and innovative tools for the improvement of GAWB implementation on local and national levels;
- Education and capacity-building on the GAWB;
- Development of joint platforms, networks, and partnerships for GAWB implementation on the national level;
- Development of monitoring reports, policy analysis, and advocacy to improve mechanisms for GAWB implementation;
- Advocacy activities focus on the GAWB's importance for the development of Western Balkan communities and the role of CSOs in supporting GAWB-related reforms.

NB: The listed activities are indicative only. Applicants may propose any other activities that align with the objectives of the Call.

6. Eligibility of applicants

LOT 1

LOT 1 is intended for **Civil Society Organizations**. Organizations can apply **individually** or in **partnership with one or two other CSOs**. Partnerships under this LOT are not mandatory but preferable. The maximum amount of financial support under Lot 1 is 15.000 EUR per project.

To be eligible for support under LOT 1, the applicant must:

- Be a legal person **and**
- Be non-profit making;
- Be a **civil society organization (CSO)**² working on one or more thematic areas of relevance to this Call, excluding political, faith based and religious organizations as well as local branches of international organizations;
- Be established and operate in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo*, North Macedonia or Serbia;
- Be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the project.

LOT2

LOT 2 is reserved for **existing formal or informal networks of Civil Society Organizations**. This LOT focuses on strengthening **established networks with a proven track record** of implementing joint activities that bring together multiple CSOs to advocate collectively. The maximum amount of financial support under Lot 2 is 25.000 EUR per project.

To be eligible for support under LOT 2, the applicant must:

- Be non-profit making;
- **Be a network of CSOs** active in the field of environmental protection, **formally registered** in accordance with the provisions of the relevant legislation, **or**

² Civil society organizations, associations and foundations registered in accordance with the following laws: Albania: Law no. 8788 For the Non-Profit Organization, and Law no. 8989 For the Registration of Non – Profit Organization, Bosnia and Herzegovina: The Law on Association and Foundation at levels of BiH, FBiH, RS and DB, Youth Law of FBiH, Law on Youth Organizing of the Republic of Srpska, Kosovo: Law on Freedom of Associations in Non-Governmental Organizations, Montenegro: Law on non – governmental organization, North Macedonia: Law on Associations of Citizens and Foundations, Serbia: Law on Associations; Law on Endowments and Foundations

- **Be a network of CSOs** (coalitions, alliances, platforms, etc.) active in the field of environmental protection that are **not formally registered** but have a clear structure, objectives, and membership defined by a founding act (e.g. memorandum of cooperation);
- Be established and operate in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Kosovo*, North Macedonia or Serbia;
- Be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the project.

Networks of CSOs must have been active for at least 12 months prior to the launch of the Call, and the organizations that are members of these networks must be registered in accordance with the relevant laws.

At least four member organizations from the network (formal or informal) must jointly prepare the project proposal.

If applying as **informal network**, one organization should act as the lead organization, while the others will act as project partners. The lead partner will be fully responsible for the implementation of the project, coordination of all actors' involved, financial management, and reporting.

If applying as **formally registered network**, network as legal person will act as the lead organization, while all CSOs engaged will act as project partners. The lead partner will be fully responsible for the implementation of the project, coordination of all actors' involved, financial management, and reporting.

Priority will be given to organizations led by women, CSOs that have established organizational policies promoting gender equality, organizations established by youth and youth CSOs.

NB: Each applicant is allowed to take part in only one project proposal, either in the role of a lead partner or a project partner.

6.1. Lead applicant

For LOT1 and LOT 2 the lead applicant is expected to have:

- Experience in the field of conducting GWAB related policy initiatives in three targeted policy areas (Decarbonization, Depollution, and Biodiversity);
- Experience in project management;
- Leadership potential;
- Human and technical capacities for the implementation of the project (equipment, space, and means of work).

If the project proposal is prepared in partnership of several CSOs, it is necessary that all partner organizations participate in the design and implementation of the proposal project, as well as other activities within the Green Agenda Multiplier Program. The lead organization is expected to clearly state the role of the partner in the implementation, their roles, division of work and tasks.

6.2. Project Partner

A project partner is a Civil Society Organization that applies for participation in the Program jointly with the lead applicant.

If the application is submitted in partnership, all partner organizations are required to participate in the design and implementation of the proposed project, as well as in other activities within the Program. The project lead is expected to clearly specify the role of each partner in implementing the activities proposed in the project application.

While partnership is not mandatory for participation in the Program under LOT1, applications submitted as a partnership will be given priority in accordance with the Evaluation Criteria for Project Proposals (*Section 9 Selection criteria, evaluation and grant procedure*).

The same eligibility criteria apply to project partners as to the lead applicant. In addition, the following conditions apply to project partners:

- Costs incurred by project partners during project implementation shall be considered eligible under the same terms and conditions as if incurred by the project lead;
- The authorized representative of the Civil Society Organization as a project partner is required to sign the statement of partnership on the organization's letterhead (*Annex 5_ Declaration of the Project Partner(s) Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program*).

If the application is submitted in partnership with multiple organizations, *Annex 5* must be provided for each organization. Partnerships established in Concept Note are not allowed to change in Phase 2.

7. Eligible and ineligible costs

The costs **eligible** under *Green Agenda Multiplier* Grant Support Program are:

- The cost of staff assigned to the action, corresponding to actual gross salaries including social security charges and other remuneration-related costs (excluding bonuses);
- Travel and subsistence costs for staff and other persons taking part in the action;
- Purchase costs for equipment (new or used) and supplies specifically dedicated to the purposes of the action;
- Depreciation, rental or leasing costs for equipment (new or used) and supplies specifically dedicated to the purposes of the action;
- Cost of consumables specifically dedicated to the action;
- Cost of service, supply and work constrictions awarded by the beneficiary(ies) for the purposes of the action;
- Costs deriving directly from the requirements of the contract (dissemination of information, evaluation specific to the action, translation, reproduction, etc.);
- Duties, taxes and charges related to the purpose of the action;
- Project office costs;
- Indirect costs.

The following costs are **not eligible**:

- Debts and debt service charges (interest);
- Provisions for losses or potential future liabilities;
- Costs declared by the beneficiary(ies) and financed by another action or work program receiving a European Union (including through EDF) grant;
- Equipment purchase
- Currency exchange losses;
- Credit to third parties;
- In kind contributions (except for volunteers' work)
- Salary costs of the personnel of national administrations;
- Bonuses included in cost of staff;
- Value added tax (VAT);
- Negative interest charged by banks or other financial institutions.

NB: In the first stage of the selection process, applicants will submit a Concept Note only. The budget proposal will be required only from those applicants who are selected to proceed to the second stage of the evaluation process. Applicants preparing a full proposal, including a budget, will receive detailed budget instructions from the BOS team.

8. Application process

The application process will have two steps.

- **First step: Submitting Concept Note**

Based on the concept notes outlining the proposed projects, the Selection Committee will evaluate the submissions in accordance with the criteria outlined in the Guidelines. Applicants who pass this stage will be shortlisted and invited to submit a full application.

- **Second step: Submitting Full Application**

Full applications include a project proposal, project budget, and logical framework matrix. These will be reviewed and evaluated by the Selection Committee. Following the evaluation of full proposals, the Selection Committee will make the final decision on grant recipients.

The applications must be uploaded online via the BOS registration platform available [HERE](#). Applications sent in writing or via e-mail will not be accepted.

Applicants must submit their Concept Notes in the prescribed format and in English. Applications submitted in other forms or in local languages will not be accepted.

The CSO may submit only one application under this Call (either as a lead applicant, or as a partner CSO).

The deadline for application is September 17th, 2025, 14.00 CET. The applicants are strongly advised not to wait until the last minute to upload the application due to unexpected technical problems.

Results of the selection procedure will be available no later than 60 days after the deadline for submission of the projects.

9. Selection criteria, evaluation and grant procedure

Prior to the evaluation, administrative compliance check will be conducted. If the answer to all these questions within the administrative check is YES, the application will be accepted and will be evaluated.

Administrative check guiding questions	Yes/No
The correct application form was used for drafting the Concept Note.	
Lead applicant and partner organizations (if any) participated in Pre-selection training.	
Each section of the Concept Note application form has been written in English within the maximum number of pages specified in the guidelines for that section.	
The declaration of the lead applicant has been completed, signed, stamped, scanned, and attached in PDF format along with the application form.	
The project was submitted by an applicant who meets the eligibility criteria defined by the Program (<i>Paragraph 6. Eligibility of applicants</i>).	
The project duration is up to 12 months within the project implementation period as stated in the Program.	

Evaluation and selection will be done in two phases against established criteria.

Evaluation criteria for the first evaluation phase:

No.	Evaluation Criteria for Concept Note	Max Score
1	<p><i>Relevance of the proposal in relation to the objectives and expected results of the Program</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The project idea contributes to achieving the expected results and objectives of the Program; ○ The link between the objectives and expected results of the Program and those of the project idea is clearly described; ○ The identified and described problem is related to GAWB, specifically in thematic areas Biodiversity, Decarbonization or Depollution. 	20
2	<p><i>Relevance of the project idea to the identified problems and the actual needs of target groups in the local community</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The identified problem is relevant to the citizens in the local community; ○ Target groups and final beneficiaries are clearly selected and defined in accordance with the identified problem; ○ There is consistency between identified problems, the project's goals, and the needs of target groups; ○ The proposal includes a clear and realistic plan for actively involving citizens during project implementation. ○ 	20
3	<p><i>Compliance of the proposed project with public policies:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The applicant clearly identifies specific public policies relevant to the project topic; ○ The applicant presents the connection between the proposed project and the identified public policy framework; ○ Participation in the public policy cycle is a central focus of the project idea; ○ The applicant has experience participating in the stages of policy development and implementation as a working group member. 	20

4	<p><i>Coherence and feasibility of the proposed project idea:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There is a clear link between proposed activities, expected results, and project goals (activities lead to results, and results lead to achieving goals); ○ The project idea is realistic and likely to lead to the expected change; ○ The applicants have realistic capacities to implement the planned activities and achieve expected results and goals; ○ The proposed method for addressing the problem (steps, relevant actors, and modes of engagement) is appropriate to the identified community problem. 	10
5	<p><i>The project idea includes a partnership</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For LOT1: Concept note is submitted in partnership of several CSOs, and the lead applicant has clearly explained the roles of partner organizations on the project and their roles. ○ For LOT2: Concept note is submitted by formal or informal network of CSOs of more than four network members and the lead applicant has clearly explained the roles of partner organizations on the project and their roles. 	20
6	<p><i>Required resources and capacities of the applicant</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The applicant has access to the necessary resources and capacities (enough qualified team members); ○ The applicant has relevant experience in the thematic area of the project idea. 	10
Total maximum score		100

Scoring range	Method of Awarding Scores
from 0 to 10	<p>0 – Does not meet the criterion at all</p> <p>2 – Meets the criterion to an insufficient extent</p> <p>4 – Partially meets the criterion, to a limited extent</p> <p>6 – Sufficiently meets the criterion</p> <p>8 – Largely meets the criterion</p> <p>10 – Fully meets the criterion</p>
<p>For criterion no.5</p> <p><i>The project idea includes a partnership</i></p>	<p>LOT1</p> <p>0 – Concept note is submitted without any partnership</p> <p>2 – Concept note is submitted in partnership with 1 CSO (<i>one lead and 1 partner CSO</i>) but the role of partner is not elaborated</p> <p>4 – Concept note is submitted in partnership with 2 CSOs (<i>one lead and 2 partner CSOs</i>) but the role of partner is not elaborated</p> <p>6 – Concept note is submitted in partnership with 1 CSO (<i>one lead and 1 partner CSO</i>) and the role of partners is clearly elaborated</p> <p>8 – Concept note is submitted in partnership with 2 CSOs (<i>one lead and 2 partner CSOs</i>) and the role of partners is clearly elaborated</p> <p>10 – Concept note is submitted in partnership with 2 CSOs (<i>one lead and 2 partner CSOs</i>) and the role of partners is clearly elaborated and there is a track record in implementing joint projects</p> <p>LOT2</p> <p>0 – Concept note is submitted in partnership of 4 CSOs (<i>one lead and 3 partners CSOs</i>) but the role of partner is not elaborated</p> <p>2 – Concept note is submitted in partnership of 5 CSOs (<i>one lead and 4 partners CSOs</i>) but the role of partner is not elaborated</p> <p>4 – Concept note is submitted in partnership of 6 or more CSOs (<i>one lead and other partners CSOs</i>) but the role of partner is not elaborated</p> <p>6 – Concept note is submitted in partnership of 4 CSOs (<i>one lead and 3 partners CSOs</i>) and the role of partners is clearly elaborated</p> <p>8 – Concept note is submitted in partnership of 5 CSOs (<i>one lead and 4 partners CSOs</i>) and the role of partners is clearly elaborated</p> <p>10 – Concept note is submitted in partnership of 6 CSOs (<i>one lead and 5 partners CSOs</i>) and the role of partners is clearly elaborated</p>
from 0 to 2	<p>Criteria that are of particular importance for achieving the objectives of the Program carry a maximum score of 20, which is calculated by multiplying the score in the 0–10 range by 2.</p>

For the purpose of the **second selection** stage, up to 20 preselected applicants will be invited to prepare and submit Full Application including Project proposal, Budget Form, and Logical Framework Matrix.

Evaluation criteria for the second evaluation stage:

No.	Evaluation Criteria for Full Application	Max. Score
1	<p><i>Relevance of the proposal in relation to the objectives and expected results of the Program</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The project contributes to achieving the expected results and objectives of the Program; ○ The link between the objectives and expected results of the Program and those of the project proposal is clearly described; ○ The project proposal is in correspondence with the Concept Note; ○ The identified and described problem is related to GWAB, i.e., thematic areas such as Biodiversity, Decarbonization and Depollution. 	20
2	<p><i>Project budget</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The proposed budget is realistic; the costs are realistically estimated and the funds provided are sufficient to implement the planned activities; ○ The proposed budget distribution between the project partners reflects the distribution of activities and workload; ○ The proposed budget complies with the requirements set out in the Call for proposals; ○ The proposed budget provides the best value for money between the budgeted funds and the project results achieved. 	20
3	<p><i>Logical Framework Matrix</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Objectives, results, and indicators are clearly and logically defined; ○ Means of verification are realistic and measurable; ○ Assumptions and risks are adequately identified and addressed; 	20

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The proposal includes a clear plan for monitoring and evaluating results; ○ There are relevant, measurable indicators at output and outcome levels; ○ Data collection methods and responsibilities are clearly described. 	
4	<i>Risk Assessment and Mitigation Measures</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Potential implementation risks are well-identified; ○ Adequate and realistic mitigation strategies are proposed. 	10
5	<i>Citizen participation in the development and implementation of the proposed project</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The project idea demonstrates that citizens were involved in identifying the key problem; ○ The proposal includes a clear and realistic plan for actively involving citizens during the implementation phase of the project idea. 	10
6	<i>Sustainability of the project proposal and potential impact after project completion:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The applicant identifies environmental protection as a long-term priority; ○ The applicant shows capacity for long-term contribution to environmental protection, community development, and social reform; ○ The applicant applies principles of transparency, accountability, democracy, and non-discrimination; ○ The applicant presents potential for further development and innovation. 	20
Total maximum score		100

Scoring range	Method of Awarding Scores
from 0 to 10	0 – Does not meet the criterion at all 2 – Meets the criterion to an insufficient extent 4 – Partially meets the criterion, to a limited extent 6 – Sufficiently meets the criterion

	8 – Largely meets the criterion 10 – Fully meets the criterion
from 0 to 20	Criteria that are of particular importance for achieving the objectives of the Program carry a maximum score of 10 , which is calculated by multiplying the score in the 0–10 range by 2 .

The Evaluation Committee will comply with the principles of proportionality, equal treatment, and non-discrimination, and ensure transparency and prevent conflict of interest throughout the entire evaluation process.

The second stage of application consists of Logical Framework Matrix, Budget form and Full Application form. The consistency and feasibility of the entire project design will be reviewed. The correspondence with the Concept Note will also be taken into account. The BOS team may propose action for improvement of the project idea or proposed measures.

10. Pre-selection training

To provide additional information about GAWB opportunities and **Green Agenda Multiplier** Program, the project consortium will organize Pre-selection training for all interested CSOs. Participation in preselection training is mandatory for all future applicants. All applicants or partner CSOs who do not attend the training will fail the administrative compliance check and, as a result, their project proposals will be disqualified.

The pre-selection training will be held on **September 4** via the [ZOOM platform](#). Registration is required. Once reiterated, applicants will be provided with a link to access the training.

All CSOs interested in applying must attend the pre-selection training. This rule applies to both lead and partner organizations.

You can register for pre-selection training [HERE](#).

Questions related to the Call for Proposals should be asked by e-mail only via gawb@bos.rs. Potential applicants should write their questions to the Belgrade Open School Project team in English. Questions addressed via phone or other e-mail addresses will not be answered.

The deadline for posing questions is September 12.

To ensure equal treatment of all civil society organizations applying for participation, the Belgrade Open School and Green Agenda Navigator consortium members cannot provide opinions on the objectives, expected results and activities of individual proposed project ideas, or on other elements of the proposals, during the open call.

11. Indicative timetable

No.	Description of the activity	Date
1	Publishing of the Call for proposals	August 18, 2025
2	Pre-selection training	September 4, 2025 ZOOM
3	Deadline for submission of applications	September 17, by 23:59 CET
4	Evaluation of Concept Notes	September and October 2025
5	Notification of applicants of results of first evaluation stage	By October 10, 2025
6	Development of full applications (only for the applicants that were preselected)	By October 22, 2025
7	Evaluation of the full applications	October 2025
8	Notification of applicants of results of second evaluation stage	By October 31, 2025
9	Start date of project implementation	November 1, 2025
10	Kick off training	Second half of November 2025

This is a tentative timeline, except for the dates listed under points 1, 2, 3, and 9. Belgrade Open School reserves the right to modify the timeline presented in the table above. In such a case, the updated timeline for the implementation of the Program will be published on the Belgrade Open School's website.

12. List of Annexes

Annex 1a_Concept Note Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 1b_Project Proposal Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 2_Budget Proposal for Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 3_Logical Framework Matrix Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 4_Declaration by the Lead Applicant Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 5_Declaration of the Project Partner(s) Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Required documentation for submission of applications in Phase 1 includes:

Annex 1a_Concept Note Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 4_Declaration by the Lead Applicant Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Applicants who advance to the second evaluation stage will be invited to prepare and submit a full application. The required documentation for submission in Phase 2 includes:

Annex 1b_Project Proposal Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 2_Budget Proposal for Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 3_Logical Framework Matrix Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program

Annex 5_Declaration of the Project Partner(s) Green Agenda Multiplier Support Program
(If the application is submitted in partnership with one or more CSOs)

Partnerships established in Concept Note are not allowed to change in Phase 2.

