

CIRCLE 2

Climate Impact Research and Response Coordination for a Larger Europe - Science meets Policy

THEMATIC PRIORITY

Climate Change Adaptation

PROJECT FUNDING

Joint Call For Research Proposals

DESCRIPTION

CIRCLE-2 is a European Network of 34 institutions from 23 countries committed:

To coordinate European transnational research funding on Climate Change Impacts, Vulnerability and Adaptation (CCIVA) and to facilitate the transfer of research outcomes that European and national decision makers need to design effective yet economically efficient Adaptation initiatives and strategies.

To share experiences and lessons learnt on CCIVA research funding and management and on the development of national and regional Adaptation practices.

To encourage international cooperation with non-European countries and organisations as well as the involvement of countries with less diverse CCIVA research programs.

The project will be conducted in 4 Work packages:

The LEAD Work package (WP) will provide management and coordination, ensure communications, manage project risks, monitor progress and strategically guide the consortium towards the goals and objectives.

The DESIGN Work package (WP) will allow the development of a common research agenda and joint programming foresight activities that will help to structure a common language and framework for CCIVA research funding.

The FUND Work package (WP) will allow the creation of joint calls and other joint activities using a variable group and geometry approach contributing to a durable cooperation between CCIVA research funding and managing organisations.

The SHARE Work package (WP) will allow to share knowledge on CCIVA research and support a sound discussion on CCIVA policy responsive research structuring the ERA as foreseen in its long-term goal of becoming the basis for a balanced, well coordinated and policy-relevant transnational joint program.

ACTIVITY SUMMARY (November 2013 – May 2014)

Project funding

Publication of the results of the call on “Adaptation to Climate Change from a natural and social science perspective: water in coastal Mediterranean areas”.

The funding partners of the call have been MEDDE (France), MKF (Greece) and FCT (Portugal). The total budget deployed has been 610 K€. Two projects will be funded:

ADAPT-MED (“Is current decision making ‘adapted to internalize adaptation’ into policy making?”)

MEMOTRADE (“Social memory of water-related trades and practices: local knowledge and climate change adaptation”)

Meetings & Conferences

November 7th and 8th 2013 - [CIRCLE-2] Workshop "Adaptation Platforms in Europe: Addressing challenges and sharing lessons". Vienna, Austria.

This event aims at providing an opportunity for managers and developers to learn from the experiences and lessons of others and to identify and consider means of addressing the challenges they are facing. This would include consideration of what managers and developers do need, how to address user needs and what are the challenges and opportunities they want to see addressed.

January-February 2014 – [CIRCLE-2] Workshop “Cross-sectorial Impact, Risk and Vulnerability assessments for adaptation policy” – Germany

10-12 of March 2014 - Frontiers in European Climate Change Adaptation Research and Practice - CIRCLE-2 FINAL CONFERENCE – Lisbon, Portugal

The final CIRCLE conference will share the results of 10 years of European cooperation in climate change impacts, vulnerability and adaptation research. It is addressed to junior and senior researchers, policy-makers, research funders and practitioners.

10th Executive Board and Advisory Board meetings, 30-31 October 2013, Utrecht, Netherlands

11th Executive Board Meeting, 3-4 February 2014, Vienna, Austria

Activities of the network and Deliverables:

The task 2.1 on “Climate Change Impact, Vulnerability and adaptation (CCIVA) research coordination: experiences, lessons learnt and future” aims on the first place at compiling a catalogue of basic information about the participants’s national and regional CCIVA research programmes and projects under the form of a series of internal information factsheets.

The information gathering leads to a study of the national and institutional barriers, and subsequently to an analysis and identification of potential synergies and existing restrictions for transnational research coordination.

In this context, two deliverables are scheduled for this period:

January 2014, D2.1-a CIRCLE2 factsheets series compilation report on relevant transnational, national and regional CCIVA research programmes and projects.

January 2014, D2.1-b Peer-review paper on how the ERA and ERA-Nets can help foster policy relevant Adaptation research in EU countries and how to overcome identified barriers for CCIVA transnational research coordination.

January 2014, D3.1-a CIRCLE2 factsheets series compilation report on CIRCLE funded projects including an assessment of their scientific and policy relevance for knowledge end-users.

The task 4.3 on “encouragement and facilitation of CCIVA knowledge production and transfer” seeks the analysis of the differences between CIRCLE2 partners, contributing partners and related organizations in non-CIRCLE2 countries with regard to their capability to assess Climate Change vulnerabilities and to design adaptation strategies and policies.

The task includes an assessment of the transferability of knowledge, data, methods and tools developed in CIRCLE2 Partner and Contributing Partners countries that have proven usability at the national or transnational level.

In this context, two reports are scheduled for this period:

January 2014, D4.3-a Assessment report on the transferability of knowledge, data,

methods and tools development in CIRCLE2's Partner and Contributing Partner countries.

April 2014, D4.1-a CIRCLE2 Workshop series and respective workshop's background papers and proceedings.

Others:

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START & END DATES

01.05.2010 – 30.04.2014

HOMEPAGE

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