



**ANNOUNCEMENT OF A CALL FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS UNDER  
The European Maritime Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund 2021-2027  
Compensation to Fishers for the Collection of Lost Fishing Gears and the Passive Collection of Marine  
Litter from the Sea**

The Ministry responsible for European Funds would like to announce that it is launching an open call for project proposals in the following area: **Specific Objective 1.6 - Contributing to the protection and restoration of aquatic biodiversity and ecosystems (Marine Litter)**.

This call shall be open to public authorities/entities, local councils, fishers including small-coastal fishers, fishing cooperatives and associations, Non-Government Organisations (NGO's) involved in Marine/fisheries/nature protection, entities and research institutions involved with research/ studies/ assessments in the marine environment and similar.

This call will be **encouraging interventions that protect and restore aquatic biodiversity and ecosystems**. This aims to involve eligible applicants for the **collection of lost fishing gears and marine litter**, in line with the ambitions of the Single-Use Plastic Products Strategy for Malta 2021-2030, EU's Strategy for plastics in a circular economy and the Single-use Plastics Directive (SUP) (EU) 2019/904. Focus may be placed on the **prevention of entry of litter and SUP into the marine environment through actions related to port or other infrastructure amenities for adequate lost fishing gear and marine litter reception**. The budget foreseen under this call is € 500,000 in public eligible funds with a co-financing rate of 70%.

Applications should be submitted electronically on the Structural Funds Database available at [sfd.gov.mt/application](http://sfd.gov.mt/application) by not later than **27<sup>th</sup> June 2025 noon**.

The online application form for the submission of project proposals and supporting documentation are available on <https://fondi.eu/what-funding-is-available>. Any queries should be sent by email on [fondi.eu@gov.mt](mailto:fondi.eu@gov.mt).

The information session is being organised as per the below:

Tuesday, May 20, 2025, SEM Offices, 280, Republic Street, Valletta from 10:00 till 12:00

Register for the information sessions by clicking on this [link](#).



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## AVVIŽ TA' SEJHA GħAL PROPOSTI TA' PROġETTI TAHT

Il-Fond Ewropew għall-Affarijet Marittimi, is-Sajd u l-Akkwakultura 2021-2027

Kumpens għas-Sajjieda għall-Ġbir ta' Tagħmir tas-Sajd Mitluf u l-Ġbir Passiv ta' Skart Marittimu mill-Baħar

Il-Ministeru responsabbi għall-Fondi Ewropej jixtieq iħabbar li qed iniedi sejħa miftuħa għal proposti ta' proġetti fl-qasam li ġej: Għan Specifiku 1.6 – Kontribuzzjoni għall-protezzjoni u r-restawr tal-bijodiversità u l-ekosistemi akwatiċi (Skart fil-Baħar).

Din is-sejħa se tkun miftuħa għall-awtoritajiet pubblici, kunsilli lokali, sajjieda inkluži dawk ta' skala żgħira madwar il-kosta, kooperattivi u assoċċajonijiet tas-sajd, Organizzazzjonijiet mhux Governattivi (NGOs) involuti fil-protezzjoni tal-baħar/sajd/natura, entitajiet u istituzzjonijiet ta' riċerka involuti f'rīcerka/studji/valutazzjonijiet fl-ambjent marittimu u oħra simili.

Din is-sejħa hija bil-għan li **theġġeg interventi li jipproteġu u jirrestawraw il-bijodiversità u l-ekosistemi akwatiċi**. L-ġħan hu li jinvolvi lill-applikanti eligibbli fil-ġbir ta' tagħmir tas-sajd mitluf u skart marittimu, f'konformità mal-ambizzjonijiet tal-istrateġija għall-Prodotti tal-Plastik li jintużaw darba biss (*Single-Use Plastic Products Strategy*) għal Malta 2021-2030, l-istrateġija tal-UE għall-plastik f'ekonomija cirkolari u d-Direttiva (UE) 2019/904 dwar il-Prodotti tal-Plastik li jintużaw darba biss (*SUP*). L-attenzjoni f'din is-sejħa tista' titqiegħed fuq il-prevenzjoni tad-dħul ta' skart u prodotti ‘SUP’ fl-ambjent marittimu permezz ta’ azzjonijiet relatati ma’ portijiet jew faċilitajiet oħra ta’ infrastruttura għal-ġbir xieraq ta’ tagħmir tas-sajd mitluf u skart marittimu. Il-baġit previst għal din is-sejħa huwa ta’ €500,000 f'fondi pubblici eligibbli b'rata ta’ kofinanzjament ta’ 70%.

L-applikazzjonijiet għandhom jiġu sottomessi b'mod elettroniku fuq is-sistema elettronika tal-Fondi Strutturali aċċessibbli minn [sfd.gov.mt/application](https://fdi.gov.mt/application) sa mhux aktar tard mis-27 ta’ Ġunju 2025, f'nofs in-nhar.

Il-formola ta’ applikazzjoni għas-sottomissjoni ta’ proposti ta’ proġetti u dokumentazzjoni oħra relatata huma disponibbli fuq <https://fondi.eu/what-funding-is-available>. Kull mistoqsija għandha tintbagħha permezz ta’ posta elettronika fuq [fondi.eu@gov.mt](mailto:fondi.eu@gov.mt).

Il-laqgħa ta’ informazzjoni se tkun organizzata kif ġej:

It-Tlieta, 20 ta’ Mejju 2025, fl-Ufficċċi ta’ SEM, 280, Triq ir-Repubblika, il-Belt Valletta, mil-10:00 sal-12:00.

Irregistra għas-sessjonijiet ta' informazzjoni billi taċċessa din il-[link](#).

