

CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROJECTS ON SEAGRASS CONSERVATION, RESTORATION AND THE REGENERATIVE BLUE ECONOMY

GREAT BLUE WALL FUNDING FACILITY
BLUE NATURE PILLAR: SEAGRASS WINDOW

The Western Indian Ocean Coastal and Ocean Resilience (WIOCOR) project under the Great Blue Wall Initiative aims to support a regional network of locally-driven projects on seagrass. With the support of the French Facility for Global Environment (FFEM), WIOCOR will provide up to \$1,000,000 in microgrants for local projects on seagrass conservation, restoration and blue economy in the Comoros, Madagascar, Kenya, Tanzania and Mozambique*. These locally impactful projects will create a network of transformative seagrass action and leadership in the Western Indian Ocean region. **Specific seascapes are targetted.*

PORTFOLIO 1

Between \$50,000 - \$100,000

(1 per country)

Universities, research institutions, councils, civil society orgs; not-for-profits and non-government organisations

PORTFOLIO 2

Between \$20,000 - \$40,000

(10 grants)

Civil society organisations, not for profit organisations, non-government organisations, LMMA practitioners, cooperatives etc.

The project must address at least one of the following themes:

- Integrating seagrass meadows in marine protected areas (MPAs) and Locally Managed Marine Areas (LMMAs);
- Restoring degraded meadows;
- Implementing protection and regeneration measures for seagrass meadows;
- Contribute to the protection of emblematic species such as dugong, turtles, seahorses;
- Developing regenerative blue economy activities
- Supporting the extension and/or creation of new conservation areas that target seagrass ecosystems

PLEASE COMPLETE THE CONCEPT NOTE TEMPLATE. **DEADLINE FOR
SUBMISSION OF CONCEPT NOTE: 15 NOVEMBER 2024.**

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