EUROPEAN FOREST INSTITUTE

CALL FOR GRANTS

I. ACTIVITY TO BE SUPPORTED BY THE GRANT

A shorter description of the activity/activities to be supported by the grant.
Within the broad scope of the EVOLTREE research and networking activities directed towards the durable integration of research in the field of forest genetics and genomics on a pan-European scale, the grant under this call will support an independent research activity linked to the following major disciplines: Ecology, Genetics, Genomics and Evolution aiming at increasing knowledge on climate adaptation, forest health, productivity and conservation in forest ecosystems, using population and quantitative genetics, and genomics approaches.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

Reference	G-06-2025
Title	EVOLTREE Opportunity Call 2026
Maximum grant value	EUR 10,000

The Grant submission guidelines, which contain more detailed information on the requirements stated in this Call for grant, are available at the EFI website at www.efi.int/grants.

In addition to the terms and conditions as stated in the Call for grant, and Grant submission guidelines, EFI applies the EFI Grant rules which have been made available at www.efi.int/grants.

III. ADMISSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All applications shall apply the following structure:

I. Administrative information

- Cover letter, using template annex 1
- Appointment and certification, using template annex 2

- CV of the Applicant, clearly indicating
  - degree awarded (MSc degree and/or PhD/Doctorate) and date of graduation
  - work experience, including dates
- Written confirmation from an EVOLTREE member institute confirming that Applicant is employed in the EVOLTREE member institute or holding a scholarship to do research in the EVOLTREE member institute, signed and dated by a representative of the EVOLTREE member institute

II. Technical proposal

1. Description of the proposed activities, maximum of four (4) pages, reflecting on the objectives and expected outcomes of the call, and addressing:
   - Contribution to EVOLTREE research activities and/or use of existing EVOLTREE experimental sites
   - Involvement of research teams from different countries, including non-EVOLTREE members
2. Work plan, maximum of two (2) pages
   - A description of the methodological approach
   - A timeline for the activities supported by the grant

What procedures to follow for applying:

Grant application shall only to be submitted to:

grants@efi.int

The email with the application shall contain only the following heading in the subject line:

G-06-2025, EVOLTREE Opportunity call 2026

The grant application must have been received by EFI by the following deadline at the latest:

16 November 2025 at 21:00 UCT+2

IV. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applications shall, to be eligible for funding, by the deadline for submission of applications, comply with the following eligibility criteria:

Criteria	Description of criteria
E1	Applicant is an EVOLTREE member institute
E2	Appointed Researcher has graduated with a MSc degree and/or PhD/Doctorate
E4	Appointed Researcher has no more than 10 years post-doc work experience after award of MSc degree or PhD/Doctorate, whichever is the latest degree awarded
E4	Appointed Researcher is an individual employed in an EVOLTREE member institute or holding a scholarship to do research in an EVOLTREE member institute

Applications not fulfilling the above stated eligibility criteria will be rejected.

V. QUESTIONS

Questions regarding the grant process may be sent to the following address:

grants.office@efi.int

EFI is not bound to reply to questions received later than the following deadline:

15 October 2025

Questions and answers for this tendering process will be published at https://efi.int/grants-training/grants/G-06-2025 on

22 October 2025

Individual questions will not be replied to separately.

Potential applicants are advised to visit https://efi.int/grants-training/grants/G-06-2025 regularly before the deadline for the submission of applications for any updates or modifications regarding this grant process.