European Forest Institute

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Knowledge to Practice: Develop applications and AI solutions utilizing the ForestWard Observatory

Questions and answers

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#	Question	Answer
1	Which countries are eligible for EUROPEAN FOREST INSTITUTE?	Please refer to the submission guidelines
2	The guidelines document in the link below says that entities subject European Union restrictive measures will not be eligible for funding. Türkiye is listed among EFI member countries, on the other hand, https://eur02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.sanctionsmap.eu%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cforwards%40efi.int%7C0fee1e701a1b4ee1f7ef08de6da77e83%7C76f498dbd149402c9c09707cb0a4a20d%7C1%7C0%7C639068763468771366%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ULcsSlKiluEZB1UocKwo6bXqYaOfYe1cUP%2FRgkj%2FJk0%3D&reserved=0 website linked from the document shows some restrictions on Türkiye. I was not sure if these would deny Türkiye or not. Could you please enlighten me whether a legal person registered in Türkiye would be eligible for this project?	We cannot pre-evaluate proposals. The proposal will be evaluated based on the criteria set out in the grant submission guidelines
3	Payments are made on a lump sum basis. To prepare the budget, do we need to indicate actual costs or also consider lump sum? According to the Part B template, it seems that actual costs must be considered to prepare the budget, but we'll appreciate if you can confirm.	Yes, you need to consider the actual costs
4	Technical reports are indicated as measure to assess accomplishment. Does the beneficiarie(s) have to also submit a financial report of the expenses incurred at the end of the project?	Interim and final reports include financial reporting

5	Annex 3 indicates in Article 5 that FAIR and open data principles must be implemented. If the development is an application, does it mean that the source code of this application should be made available to the consortium? There is no problem in setting up a webapp that provides results and data processed but having to provide the source code would be a problem for a company intending to further exploit the results obtained.	Source code must be made available open access, as stated in the Special conditions, Article 5 (Annex 3).
6	Can an Associate partner of the FORWARDS project participate in the call?	No. An Associate partner of the FORWARDS project is not eligible to participate. This is independent of whether or not the associate partnership is addressed in REA Grant Agreement No. 101084481. Any Associate partner's participation in the FORWARDS consortium agreement must formally be terminated in order to be eligible (without prejudice to the application of any other eligibility criteria).