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GAG4 – Rejuvenating Gozo – Third Call

Improve the attractiveness of living in Gozo for young persons and
young families



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Type of Operations

- The action will provide resources to:
 - Improve the attractiveness of Gozo for young persons and young families through the creation of hard and soft support infrastructures;
 - Enhance the involvement of Local Councils, NGOs and business operators in improving the quality of life and the environment in Gozo for young persons and families.



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Type of Support

- Development of infrastructures aimed at improving the quality of life and environment for young persons and young families (e.g. family parks, picnic areas).
- Investments by NGOs, Local Councils, and/or business operators, with a direct interest in young persons and young families, in equipment and in providing new and or/extended services which is specifically required for their specialized activities (e.g. *childcare, sports, cultural, educational activities, community entertainment activities compatible with the Gozitan lifestyle*), capacity-building in undertaking innovative and/or extended activities of direct interest to young persons and young families



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Eligible Investment supported:

- Investment in public infrastructures by Local Councils, up to 100% of budget
- Investment in equipment by NGOs, Local Councils and business operators, up to 100% of budget
- Capacity-building by NGOs including running costs of offering services, up to 15% of budget



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General and Specific Objectives of the measure for Gozo

- 'New Economy Activities' : The action is expected to provide lifestyle attractions to young people and young families by focusing on amenities and activities associated with the new economy', with potential spin-off effects on employment generation;
- 'Climate and Environment': Investment and activities promoted through this action will need to deliver improvements in environmental and climate performance, due to the importance of these factors for a healthy lifestyle of young persons and families.



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General and Specific Objectives of the measure for Gozo

- ‘Gozo Lifestyle’: The main focus of this action is the preservation, valorization and evolution of the Gozitan lifestyle through the retention and attraction of a younger population.
- ‘Cultural Heritage’: The action is expected to improve on cultural heritage assets as a means to improve the lifestyle for young persons and young families
- ‘Partnership Approach’: The action must involve collaboration between Local Councils, NGOs and business operators



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Eligible Localities where the project can be undertaken:

Rural Localities within the Gozo Action Group Foundation territory		
Fontana	Għajnsielem	Għarb
Għasri	Kerċem	Munxar
Nadur	Qala	Rabat (Citta' Victoria)
Sannat	San Lawrenz	Xagħra
Xewkija	Żebbug	



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Eligible Beneficiaries:

- Applications are accepted from entities regularly operating or providing a service within the geographic area covered by the GAGF.
- Applicants can be Local Councils, NGOs and business operators.
- Each applicant must consist of at least ***three*** entities, spanning at least ***two*** of the aforementioned categories. The applicant has to co-operate with at least two other partners. A lead partner should also be appointed who shall be considered as the project applicant. The application shall clearly specify the role to be played by the applicant and the project partners.
- Any one entity (whether main beneficiary and/or partner) can apply under one or more of the measures but cannot participate under different/competing applications within the same measures throughout the whole programming period.



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Eligible Beneficiaries:

- It is important to note that:
 - Private undertakings where eligible, are to be limited to SME's. Large firms (as per Eurostat definition), are excluded.
 - NGOs refer to entities that are enrolled and fully compliant with the Voluntary Organisations Act and its subsidiary legislation 492.02 (Annual Returns and Annual Accounts) Regulations 2012.
 - The applicant has to be a member of the decision board/unit/committee (or is the legal representative) of the beneficiary/applicant organizing.



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Indicators and Targets (including past calls)

Number of Local Councils (municipalities) offering new and improved amenities for young persons and families:	8
Number of businesses offering new and improved services for young persons and families:	23
Number of NGOs offering new and improved services for young persons and families:	15



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Important Points:

- Projects have to be completed within a limited timeframe.
- 15 months from the signature of the contract **OR** by not later than December 2024 (**whichever is the earliest**)
- The competitive selection process will be undertaken by the Project Selection Committee (PSC).



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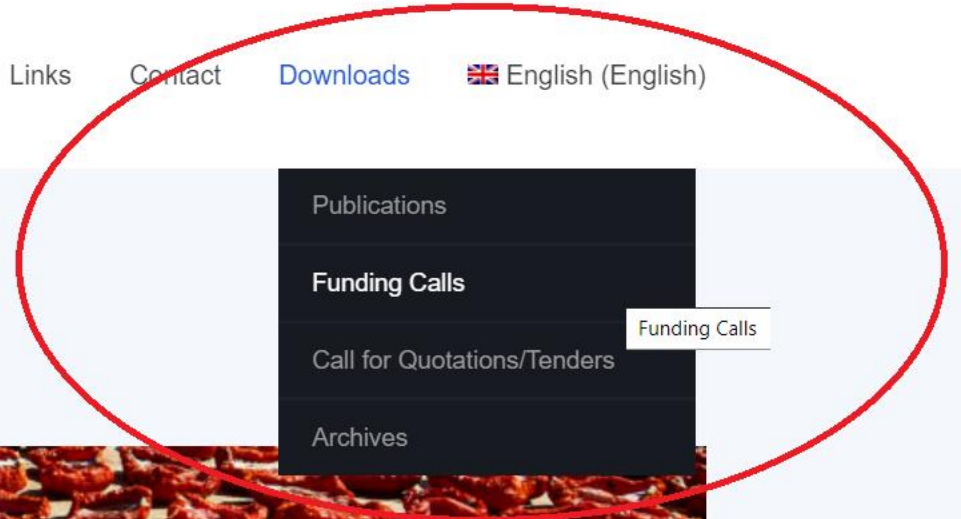


Timeframes of the Measure

- The Measure will launch on the 24th of July 2023
- The deadline for clarification will be the 24th of August 2023
- The deadline for application submission will be the 31st of August 2023 at **NOON**
- If no applications are received, the deadline can be extended
- For updates, one must check on www.leadergozo.eu



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Aid Intensity

- For the scope of this call, beneficiaries will receive 80% of the total eligible project costs as public funds with the other 20% coming as a private contribution;
- The Measure Budget (Total Public Expenditure) is €60,591.42
- The minimum grant support is capped at €40,000



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SELECTION CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS
1. Number of distinct infrastructural interventions supported by the project, (5 points per intervention up to a maximum of 15 points).	15 points
2. Number of distinct lifestyle support services enabled by the project, (5 points per Intervention up to a maximum of 15 points).	15 points
3. The degree of financial sustainability of the project:	
i. during project implementation; and	5 points
i. after project implementation.	10 points
4. The quality of the project in terms of:	
i. the potential for the infrastructure developed to:	
a. improve the quality of life in Gozo for youths and young families;	5 points
b. enhance lifetime opportunities for youths;	5 points
i. the potential for the services proposed to:	
a. improve the quality of life in Gozo for youths and young families;	5 points
b. enhance lifetime opportunities for youths;	5 points
i. the degree of synergy between infrastructures developed and services proposed.	15 points
5. Overall quality of the project proposal.	5 points
6. Implementation readiness.	5 points
7. Number of partners in proposed project (3 points per partner up to a maximum of 10 points)	10 points
TOTAL:	100 points



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Ranking

- Total Budget - €60,591.42
- 4 applications - €235,584.93
- Projects 0002, 0001 and 0004 on the reserve list due to no more budget availability

Reference	Beneficiary	Marks	Budget Allocated
0003	C	78	€60,591.42
Reserve List			
0002	B	70	€55,785.05
0001	A	65	€60,591.42
0004	D	55	€58,617.04



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Implementation phase

- Local Councils are to follow the Public Procurements Regulations
- Private Bodies are to follow MA PA EAFRD Circular 01/2021
- Advance payment of up to 50% of the total eligible cost
- Interim payments are possible



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