

CALLS FOR PROJECTS

**FOCUSING ON INNOVATIVE RESEARCH
EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN THE RESILIENCE OF
THE WEST AFRICAN COAST, FOR THE BENEFIT
OF RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS.**

PRCM / WACA RESIP

The **Regional Partnership for the Conservation of the Coastal and Marine Zone (PRCM)**, in partnership with **UEMOA, the World Bank**, and its technical collaborators (**Abidjan Convention, IUCN, SSC, RAMP AO, IRD, ACECoR**), is issuing a **call for expressions of interest** to identify **high-impact applied research** projects aimed at enhancing the resilience of West African coastal areas under the **Regional Component of the WACA ResIP 2 program**.

This call is part of a competitive, fair, and transparent effort aimed at improving the integration of scientific knowledge into coastal management policies and practices. It therefore seeks to support research institutions (universities, applied research centers, specialized laboratories, scientific consortia) involved in generating useful knowledge and backing public policies for coastal resilience in West Africa.

Objectives of the Research-Action Calls for Proposals

Projects will be expected to:

- Generate **robust scientific data** to support coastal management decision-making.
- Strengthen the **capabilities of regional research institutions** and promote scientific collaboration.
- Promote knowledge and innovations for the benefit of coastal communities.
- To propose concrete, replicable, and sustainable solutions in line with the priorities of the WACA ResIP program.

EXPECTED PROFILES

- Academic or research institutions, specialized technical centers, or accredited laboratories, that are legally established and recognized in a member country of the PRCM and the WACA area.
- Projects led by **consortia that bring together multiple institutions—whether** national, regional, or international—are strongly encouraged, as long as a **single lead partner** is clearly identified.

PRIORITY THEMES

The main themes align with the **coastal resilience goals of WACA ResIP** and the **strategic directions of the PRCM**. Proposals should fall under **one of the following** themes:

1. **Analysis of coastal dynamics and risk modeling**
2. **Environmental Governance and Public Policy**
3. **Nature-based solutions and green technologies**
4. **Socio-anthropology and community resilience**

5. Capitalization, production, and scientific valorization of knowledge

SUBMISSION PROCEDURES

The selection is made in a single phase, involving the **direct submission of a complete project file**, based on a **standard form** provided by the PRCM.

The application must include:

- A **contextual, analytical, and justified description of the project**.
- **Clear objectives, measurable results**, and a **structured, logical framework**.
- A **detailed budget**, including at least **20% co-financing** in cash or in kind.
- A **timeline** of planned activities.
- An explanation of **the methodological approach**, expected risks, and the system for monitoring and evaluation.
- The composition of the team, with the **CVs of the prominent members**.
- All necessary **legal** and administrative documents.

Projects must be submitted solely online to the addresses specified in the regulations. Incomplete or non-compliant proposals will be rejected.

KEY INFORMATION

- **Indicative amount of subsidies:** Less than \$50,000
- **Maximum project duration:** **18 months**
- **Compulsory co-financing:** minimum **20%** in kind or in cash (specify in the financing plan)
- **Submission deadline:** **August 25, 2025, at 11:59 PM GMT**
- **Documents to review:**
 - Full rules of the call for projects
 - Sample Application Form
 - Evaluation Grid
 - Governance system
 - Terms of Reference of the Selection Committee

 All documents are accessible on the official PRCM website:  www.prcmarine.org

SELECTION AND FOLLOW-UP

The applications received will be assessed by an **independent Selection Committee** made up of recognized experts from partner organizations (PRCM, UEMOA, ACECoR, IRD, universities, etc.). The evaluation will be based on a **clear and consistent grid**, established in the rules of appeal.

The selected institutions will be contracted with the PRCM and will receive **technical and methodological support** throughout the implementation, specifically to enhance scientific quality, promote results, and increase territorial impact.

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Submit your action research projects to help sustainably improve the resilience of the West African coastline!