

STATEMENT OF CONCLUSIONS

INTERREG MONITORING COMMITTEE Written procedure

11 - 25th July 2025

INTERREG VI INDIAN OCEAN PROGRAM PROGRAM CCI 2021TC16FFOR004 (2021-2027)



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The INTERREG Monitoring Committee was consulted by written procedure between July 11 and 25, 2025, on the method and criteria for selecting operations that will mobilize both the ERDF-CTE and the NDICI.

1. Opinions received and responses from the Managing Authority

Four opinions were submitted to the Managing Authority as part of this written procedure. The Managing Authority's responses are set out below.

- **Opinion of the Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Madagascar**

The Managing Authority (MA) thanks the Secretary General, Interreg focal point for Madagascar, for his letter dated July 22, 2025 (Annex 1 to this document).

1. With regard to the question on one of the eligibility criteria (ERDF), the MA confirms that the ERDF beneficiary must indeed be from Réunion or Mayotte.
The latter will also be the coordinator of the NDICI project, as set out in Annex 1, page 6, of the NDICI contribution agreement (Annex 5 to this document).

2. With regard to the comments on the two so-called “general” criteria relating to:

- experience in coordinating funds:

The MA specifies that it will not be a question of noting the number of years of experience in this area, but the MA will ensure [given that this is a pilot project and in order to secure future projects] that the applicant has managed European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) and/or EU external policy funds, such as the EDF or NDICI, at least once.

- The necessary competence or experience in the project's field of activity:

The MA proposed a differentiated rating based on years of experience, following the observation of the Secretary General and the informal discussions that followed (Annex 3 of this document).

3. With regard to the proposed amendments to the “specific” criteria, all comments made have been taken into account and added to the amended selection criteria (Annex 2 to this document).

4. Finally, with regard to the submission procedure, it should be noted that only electronic submissions will be accepted in accordance with European program management requirements. Furthermore, as indicated in Annex 1 of the NDICI Contribution Agreement, the coordinating beneficiary will submit project applications.

The MA also specifies that all relevant information (eligibility criteria, description of actions, etc.) will be included in the specifications of the call for proposals, which will be published and was sent to partners (Interreg Focal Points, DUE, and DG REGIO) on May 30.

- **Opinion of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy (DG REGIO)**

The MA thanks DG REGIO for its email dated July 25, 2025 (Annex 1 to this document).

1. With regard to the prioritization of operations, the MA is providing an example of a scoring grid for information purposes (Annex 3 to this document), explaining how the various criteria will be scored for the two planned sub-actions (sustainable food security and risk management).

2. With regard to the request for information on the project submission procedure, the MA notes that this CSI consultation concerns the NDICI-ERDF selection method and criteria. The procedures for submitting applications had therefore not been detailed, but the MA is attaching them (Annex 4 to this document) for information. They will also be included in the specifications for the call for projects.

3. Finally, the MA takes note of DG REGIO's comment regarding the experience required of applicants in terms of fund coordination. However, the MA points out that this criterion is solely intended to ensure the implementation of ERDF-NDICI projects in this unprecedented context of managing a large budget (€5 million), with new and complex procedures and tight deadlines.

- **Opinion of the European Commission's Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA)**

The MA thanks DG INTPA for its recommendations in its email of July 25, 2025 (Appendix 1 of this document).

1. Regarding the comments on the simplification and rationalization of criteria:

- The MA is sending the scoring grid (Appendix 3 of this document). This will allow DG INTPA to see that the eligibility criteria are not scored, which mitigates the redundancy observed in relation to the qualitative criteria.

The eligibility criteria (“cross-cutting and regulatory criteria”) will be eliminatory if not met.

A total of 15 criteria will be scored for sub-action 1 and 13 criteria for sub-action 2. A score of 15/20 or higher will be required for the project to be selected.

- As proposed by DG INTPA, the second criterion has been broadened to include the NDICI or other external policy funds (Annex 2 to this document).

However, the MA considers that the third criterion (PRAG) can be verified objectively, particularly if the applicant has already managed EU external policy funds. Similarly, the fifth criterion (experience in the project field) can be verified through the nature/status of the applicant, and its rating has been detailed (see Annex 3) thanks to the comment from the Interreg Focal Point in Madagascar.

The concept of project “maturity” has been clarified as requested. The MA has also introduced, as proposed, a criterion referring to the Global Gateway strategy (see Annexes 2 and 3).

- The MA agrees with the observation on the importance of involving local communities to promote the long-term impact of projects. In fact, several criteria had been designed with this in mind:

-General criteria: The applicant must indicate the impacts and benefits of the project for the territory concerned and its local populations;

-Sub-action 1: The project will involve civil society actors and/or local populations (awareness-raising, scientific mediation, etc.);

-Sub-action 2: The project must include “community” awareness-raising actions (school audiences, civil society, etc.).

The new criterion below takes into account the comment made by DG INTPA and was added in consultation with the Interreg Focal Point in Madagascar:

-The project must propose disaster monitoring and surveillance actions, promoting initiatives that incorporate local practices (...).

2. With regard to the comments on the terminology used, the MA has harmonized the terms as advised.

• **Opinion of the Council for Culture, Education, and the Environment (CCEE) dated July 24 (Appendix 1 of this document)**

The Managing Authority thanks the Council for Culture, Education and the Environment (CCEE) for its feedback and welcomes its comments highlighting the significant progress made by the Réunion Region in managing an NDICI budget.

The MA also notes the satisfaction expressed with regard to the themes selected. Climate resilience, which will be addressed in two parts in the future call for projects (sustainable food security and risk management), is indeed a major challenge for our cooperation area.

With regard to the comments on the potentially restrictive criteria (experience in complementary fund management & minimum score of 15/20), the MA points out that this is an innovative and demanding pilot experiment. These criteria have been chosen accordingly and aim to secure the implementation of this NDICI budget in order to guarantee better results and impacts on local territories and populations.

2. Decisions of the Interreg 2021-2027 Monitoring Committee:

The Interreg Monitoring Committee (IMC) approves the selection method and criteria for operations that will mobilize both ERDF-ETC and NDICI funds.



COMITE DE SUIVI INTERREG

APPENDIX 1 : Contributions received as part of the July 2025 written procedure

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**SERVICE DE LA COOPERATION
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Antananarivo, le 22 JUL 2025

LE SECRETAIRE GENERAL

à

**Madame LA DIRECTRICE
DE LA COOPERATION
REGION REUNION**

-LA REUNION-

N°25/605- AE/SG/DGPDD/DPPD/SCIT/INTERREG

OBJET : PROGRAMME INTERREG : Avis et observations relatifs aux critères de sélection
de l'appel à projets conjoints FEDER-NDICI

PIECE-JOINTE : Une (01)

Madame La Directrice,

J'ai l'honneur de vous faire parvenir ci-joint les avis et observations du Ministère des Affaires étrangères relatifs aux critères de sélection de l'appel à projets conjoint FEDER-NDICI, intitulé « Co-développement durable et résilience climatique dans la zone océan indien ».

Je vous prie d'agréer Madame La Directrice, mes sincères salutations.

Le Ministre des Affaires Etrangères
délégation le Secrétaire Général



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AVIS ET OBSERVATIONS RELATIFS AUX CRITERES DE SELECTION DE L'APPEL A PROJET CONJOINTS FEDER-NDCI-PROGRAMME INTERREG

I- Critère de recevabilité :

a. Critères transversaux et règlementaires FEDER :

- Les bénéficiaires (Volet FEDER) doit être issu de La Réunion ou de Mayotte :

Afin de réduire l'asymétrie de capacités entre le maître d'œuvre qu'est La Réunion ou Mayotte, serait-il envisageable d'élargir les critères d'inclusivité et d'accessibilité à cet appel au projet et garantir l'accès des acteurs locaux des pays bénéficiaires dudit projet.

II- Critères qualitatifs :

a. Critères généraux :

- Les porteurs de projet soutenus devront disposer à minima d'une expérience en matière d'articulation de fonds européens structurels et d'investissements (FEDER) et de fonds de la politique extérieure de l'UE (FED) ;

Minimum d'années d'expériences à préciser afin de faciliter la notation du porteur de projet.

- Le porteur et le partenaire disposent d'une compétence ou expérience dans le domaine d'activité du projet ;

Durée d'expérience à préciser dans ce paragraphe afin de bien faire la notation de l'évaluation.

b. Critères thématiques spécifiques :

Sous-action 1 : Sécurité alimentaire durable :

- Le projet proposera des solutions pour un système agricole durable et adapté à chaque territoire concerné ;

*Reformulation de la phrase : Le projet proposera des solutions **innovantes** pour un système agricole durable et adapté à chaque territoire concerné et aux changements climatiques;*

- Le projet permet la production, la multiplication de semences et de plants sains de variétés adaptées aux contextes locaux et leurs diffusions à plus grande échelle au sein d'un territoire et dans la zone océan Indien ;

*Reformulation de la phrase : Multiplication des semences **améliorées mais non modifiés génétiquement**.*

Sous-action 2 : Prévention et réduction des risques de catastrophes

- Le projet devra proposer des réponses et/ou des pistes d'amélioration de la résilience des populations face aux catastrophes ;

Reformulation : Le projet devra proposer des réponses et/ou des pistes d'amélioration de la résilience des populations face aux catastrophes en se basant sur la stratégie nationale de la gestion des risques et des catastrophes des pays impliqués au projet.

- Le projet devra proposer des actions de veille et de surveillance des catastrophes ;

Reformulation : Le projet devra proposer des actions de veille et de surveillance des catastrophes en valorisant les initiatives incorporant les pratiques locales (agro écologie traditionnelle, gestion communautaire des risques) et de privilégier les solutions low-tech et résilientes (utilisation des technologies abordables/maintenables localement)

L'objectif de cette proposition est de renforcer l'appropriation et la durabilité du projet.

III- Procédure de sélection :

Validation des résultats de l'appel à projets :

- **Mode de soumission et de dépôt de dossier à préciser dans le document d'appel à manifestation de projet.**
 - Les dossiers de candidatures devraient être déposés sous format physiques via ambassades/antennes locales et/ou hors ligne (USB, support papier) ou les deux. (Acceptation des versions numériques signées électroniquement ou les dossiers initiaux en formats simplifiés sous forme de note conceptuelle de projet)
 - Les langues de soumission devrait être la langue française ou une possibilité de la faire en anglais si accessibilité des acteurs locaux en tant que porteur de projet.
- **Délais de soumission, 90 jours après publication** de l'appel à manifestation d'intérêt et l'adresse pour envoyer les dossiers de soumission.
Les intéressés doivent envoyer leur dossier de manifestation d'intérêts au plus tard le à l'adresse
- **Nombre de projet éligible pour cet appel à projet à préciser.**
- **Le contenu des dossiers à soumettre** doit être précisé dans l'appel à manifestation d'intérêt ainsi que le terme de référence du projet ou le cahier des charges pour les soumissionnaires.
Le Dossier d'Appel à Manifestation d'intérêt ou appel à projet est composé :
 - Du cahier des charges (Note d'information aux soumissionnaires ou les Termes de références)
 - Des annexes :
 1. Modèle de lettre de soumission et grille de vérification des informations fournies
 2. Présentation sommaires du Projet.
- **Mentionner également les conditions d'éligibilité** des soumissionnaires et ce en vue d'une transparence.

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**RE: Consultation du Comité de Suivi Interreg océan Indien - juillet 2025 /
Consultation to the INTERREG "Indian Ocean" Monitoring Committee - July 2025**

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Bonjour,

Merci d'avoir consulté la Commission européenne (DG REGIO) sur le projet de critères et méthodes de sélection des opérations mobilisant à la fois du FEDER-CTE et du NDICI dans le cadre du programme INTERREG « océan Indien ».

Le projet de document ayant été largement simplifié par rapport à la version qui nous a été soumise informellement par courriel du 30 mai, vous trouverez ci-dessous nos observations :

1. Il est indiqué sous la section « Validation des résultats de l'appel à projets » que « les projets éligibles recevant une note supérieure à 15/20 seront retenus ». D'une part, il n'est pas indiqué, faute de pondération des critères de « sélection », comment les évaluateurs parviendront à la note chiffrée globale. Il en résulte également une absence de transparence vis-à-vis des candidats. D'autre part, aucune hiérarchisation n'est possible entre les projets qui auront dépassé le seuil de 15/20 et on voit mal sur quelle base l'autorité de gestion pourrait départager les candidats si jamais le budget disponible n'était pas suffisant pour satisfaire les candidatures éligibles. Pour *rappel* « Les critères et procédures garantissent la hiérarchisation des opérations à sélectionner afin de maximiser la contribution des fonds de l'Union à la réalisation des objectifs du programme Interreg et à la mise en œuvre de la dimension de coopération des opérations relevant des programmes Interreg, comme prévu à l'article 23, paragraphes 1 et 4, du présent règlement » (Règlement (UE) 2021/1059, article 22). Afin de vous conformer au Règlement, veuillez proposer une pondération des critères proposés dans le projet.
2. Il conviendrait, pour faciliter la tâche des candidats, de réintégrer la section « Dépôt » de la précédente version du document dans la version finale de l'appel à projets.
3. Nous notons enfin que parmi les critères généraux dits « qualitatifs » figure le critère suivant : « les porteurs de projets soutenus devront disposer a minima d'une expérience en matière d'articulation des fonds européens structurels et d'investissements et de fonds de la politique extérieure de l'UE ». Au cours d'une discussion avec vos services il nous a été expliqué que ce critère avait pour but de sélectionner des porteurs de projets susceptibles de mettre en œuvre le projet sans trop de risques pour l'exécution du programme. Si cet argument peut paraître valable dans le cas de la présente expérience pilote, il n'en reste pas moins que ce critère très restrictif ne pourra être satisfait que par de très rares porteurs bénéficiant

de la double expérience de gestion du FEDER et du NDIDI/FED – et donc déjà bien identifiés à l'avance. Il s'agit donc là d'un critère particulièrement discriminatoire qui ne saurait être accepté que parce que nous nous trouvons en présence d'une expérience pilote, et qu'il conviendra de retirer dans de futurs éventuels appels à projets.

Nous vous serons reconnaissants de bien vouloir tenir compte des observations ci-dessus dans la version finale de l'appel à projets.

Cordialement,

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Bonjour,

Suite à la demande de commentaires sur les critères de sélection proposés dans le cadre de l'appel à projets conjoint FEDER-NDICI, vous trouverez ci-dessous nos commentaires consolidés ainsi que nos recommandations :

1. Simplification et rationalisation des critères

- Le nombre de critères paraît élevé, avec certaines redondances entre les sections « critères de recevabilité » et « critères qualitatifs ». Nous recommandons de consolider les éléments qui se recoupent et de se concentrer sur un ensemble limité de critères clairs, vérifiables et qui permettent d'assurer l'impact de l'action. Une reformulation et une simplification de ces critères permettrait de les rendre plus transparents et inclusifs, favorisant ainsi un accès équitable aux financements pour tous les bénéficiaires potentiels. Enfin, bien que précisant les principes généraux du NDICI, l'article 8 du règlement NDICI mentionné ici ne semble pas pertinent lorsqu'il s'agit de définir des « critères de recevabilité ».
- S'agissant des « critères qualitatifs » :
 - Le deuxième critère devrait être élargi pour inclure le NDICI ou d'autres fonds de la politique extérieure. Nous suggérons la formulation suivante : « expérience en matière

d'articulation de fonds européens structurels et d'investissements (FEDER) **et/ou** de fonds de la politique extérieure de l'UE, **tels que le FED ou le NDICI** ;

- Les troisième et cinquième critères paraissent trop généraux pour être justifiés ou vérifiés objectivement.
- D'une manière générale, des termes subjectifs comme « maturité du projet » ou « expérience suffisante » manquent de repères mesurables. L'introduction de seuils spécifiques ou de grilles de notation permettrait d'assurer plus de transparence et de cohérence dans le processus de sélection.
- Une attention accrue portée à l'implication des communautés locales et aux mécanismes de retour d'information renforcerait également l'appropriation locale et l'impact à long terme.
- Enfin, nous vous saurions gré de nous transmettre les grilles de notation associées à ces critères.

2. Harmonisation de la terminologie

- Nous recommandons l'usage d'une terminologie harmonisée, notamment s'agissant des termes comme « bénéficiaire », « porteur de projet », « promoteur » et « partenaire » qui peuvent prêter à confusion. Une terminologie harmonisée permettrait de réduire les ambiguïtés et d'améliorer la clarté juridique et opérationnelle de l'appel à proposition.

Enfin, il nous paraît important de faire référence à la stratégie Global Gateway, stratégie de l'UE qui contribue à relever les défis mondiaux les plus pressants, allant de la lutte contre le changement climatique à l'amélioration des systèmes de santé en passant par le renforcement de la compétitivité et de la sécurité des chaînes d'approvisionnement mondiales.

Je laisse nos collègues des délégations en copie compléter si besoin.

Nous restons à votre disposition pour toute précision ou échange complémentaire sur les points évoqués ci-dessus.

Cordialement,

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A Saint-Denis, le 24/07/25,

En réponse à la saisine de l'AGILE, le CCEE tient à faire part de sa position concernant le lancement du programme de financement NDICI-FEDER.

Le CCEE salue cette avancée, qui s'inscrit pleinement dans la logique de co-développement avec des pays tiers. Tout d'abord, ce programme témoigne de la confiance accordée au savoir-faire régional, que l'UE entend ainsi valoriser en confiant la gestion de ce fond à la Réunion. Cette enveloppe apporte également un levier supplémentaire de coopération avec les pays tiers de la région, permettant ainsi l'émergence ou la concrétisation de projets communs.

Par ailleurs, le CCEE salue le choix des deux thèmes retenus – sécurité alimentaire durable et réduction des risques de catastrophe – qui font écho à des événements récents, tels que les crises consécutives au passage des cyclones Chido et Garance, et renforcent ainsi la pertinence de cette coopération.

Enfin, le CCEE souligne l'importance du critère 3 de la sous-action 1, « *sécurité alimentaire durable* », qui encourage la participation de la société civile et des populations locales. En effet, ce critère entre pleinement en adéquation avec les valeurs du CCEE.

Toutefois, le conseil note que l'un des critères qualitatifs généraux d'éligibilité des porteurs de projet (alinéa 2) – l'exigence d'une expérience à minima dans la coordination des Fonds structurels européens (FEDER) et des fonds de politique extérieure (FED) – pourrait limiter l'accès au dispositif à un nombre réduit d'acteurs.

En effet, bien que le CCEE reconnaisse la légitimité de ce critère, garant d'une mise en oeuvre rigoureuse, il s'interroge néanmoins sur son caractère potentiellement restrictif.

Dans la réalité, il est fort à parier que peu d'instances régionales disposent d'une expérience de cet ordre en matière de gestion conjointe des fonds européens. De plus, l'alinéa 4 suppose de maîtriser le réseau des partenaires potentiels, « institutions, chercheurs, agriculteurs,

organisations du secteur privé » de trois pays ; dont la plupart de ceux figurant sur la liste sont anglophones, ce qui pourrait représenter un frein pour certains porteurs de projet réunionnais.

Enfin, le conseil s'interroge également sur le seuil de sélection fixé à une note supérieure à 15/20, qui pourrait s'avérer particulièrement exigeant. Le CCEE incite donc à une vigilance particulière sur ces deux points, afin d'éviter que cette exigence, si elle n'est pas adaptée ou accompagnée, ne prive de financement des projets intéressants.

Cordialement,

Roger Ramchetty
Président du CCEE

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APPENDIX 2 : Amended selection criteria

Project proposals will be analyzed and selected on the basis of the following criteria:

I. Eligibility criteria ¹

- ERDF cross-cutting and regulatory criteria

- Compliance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the horizontal principles set out in Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 ;
- Contribution of the project to the objectives of the European Union and those of the INTERREG VI Indian Ocean program;
- Compliance with applicable law for any operation started prior to submission of the grant application to the managing authority: any operation started (excluding operations subject to state aid schemes) must not have been completed when the application is submitted;
- Where applicable, for projects subject to state aid, the projects supported must be compatible with state aid regulations;
- In the case of infrastructures and operations open to the public, the operations supported must systematically guarantee non-discriminatory access to the premises for the public concerned;
- Operations will be selected in line with the program's dividing lines, to ensure efficiency, optimum use and secure use of Community funds;
- The project must meet at least two of the following four cooperation criteria (recital 25 of regulation (EU) 2021/1059): joint development; joint implementation; staffing; joint financing;
- The beneficiary (ERDF section) must be from Réunion or Mayotte.

- NDICI transversal and regulatory criteria

- Compliance with the general principles set out in Article 8 of Regulation (EU) No. 2021/947 establishing the European Neighborhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument;
- Compliance with the general conditions of the NDICI contribution agreement, in particular article 2.9 (cf. annex 4 attached)

¹ If these criteria are not met, the application will not be accepted.

II. Qualitative criteria ²

- General criteria

- Beneficiaries must have the financial and administrative capacity to carry out the project;
- Beneficiaries must have at least some experience in coordinating European structural investment funds (ERDF) and EU external policy funds, as EDF or NDICI;
- Beneficiaries must have at least some experience of public procurement in accordance with PRAG rules;
- Projects must cover at least three countries in the area covered by NDICI funds (Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, Mozambique, Kenya, Tanzania).
- Beneficiaries and partners must have competence or experience in the project's field of activity;
- The project must be mature (project whose stages of completion allow for a quick start) ;
- The project must include a strategy for communicating and promoting the actions supported;
- The applicant must indicate the impact and spin-offs of the project for the area concerned and its local populations;
- The project is consistent with the EU's Global Gateway strategy and PIPs on the one hand, and with the priorities of the countries involved (national strategies, regional strategies) on the other hand.

- Specific thematic criteria

Sub-action 1: Sustainable food security

- The project will strengthen cooperation between regional players (institutions, researchers, farmers, non-profit organizations representing the private sector, etc.);
- The project will propose innovative solutions for a sustainable agricultural system adapted to each territory concerned;
- The project will involve civil society players and/or local populations (awareness-raising actions, scientific mediation, etc.).
- The project will enable the production/multiplication of seeds (improved but not genetically modified) and healthy seedlings of varieties adapted to local contexts;
- The project enables the large-scale distribution of these seeds and seedlings within a territory and in the Indian Ocean zone;
- The project promotes the implementation of national and regional strategies to ensure the reproducibility of results and the structuring of seed chains.

Sub-action 2: Disaster prevention and risk reduction

- The project will propose responses and/or ways of improving people's resilience to disasters, based on the national risk and disaster management strategies of the countries involved;
- The project should propose disaster watch and monitoring actions, highlighting initiatives that incorporate local practices and give priority to low-tech and resilient solutions;
- The project should include “community” awareness-raising initiatives (schoolchildren, civil society, etc.);
- The project will promote the introduction of tools and systems to encourage networking between players in the field of risk management.

² These criteria will be graded.

APPENDIX 3 : Grading scale

EXAMPLE OF A SCORING GRID

Selection criteria	Scoring	Supporting documents
1. General criteria	From 0 to 12	
1.1 Beneficiaries have the financial and administrative capacity to successfully carry out the project	Yes : 1 No : 0*	Application file and other references
1.2 Beneficiaries must have at least some experience in coordinating European Structural Investment Funds (ERDF) and EU external policy funds as EDF or NDICI	Yes : 1 No : 0*	Application file and other references
1.3 Beneficiaries must have at least some experience in public procurement under PRAG rules	Yes : 1 No : 0*	Application file and other references
1.4 Projects must cover at least three countries in the NDICI-funded area (Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, Mozambique, Kenya, Tanzania)	Yes : 1 No : 0*	Application file and other references
1.5 Beneficiaries and partners have expertise or experience in the project's field of activity	More than 5 years of experience : 2 points Less than 5 years of experience : 1 point No experience in the project's field of activity : 0	Application file and other references
1.6 The project must be mature (project whose stages of completion allow for a quick start)	Yes : 2 No : 0	Application file
1.7 The project must include a communication and outreach strategy for the supported actions	Yes : 1 No : 0	Application file
1.8 The applicant must indicate the impacts and benefits of the project for the territory concerned and its local populations	- the impacts and benefits are clearly identified and objectified (1 point) - the impacts and benefits are not included in the application file (0*)	Application file
1.9 The project aligns with EU's Global Gateway strategy and PIPs on the one hand, and with the priorities of the countries involved (national strategies, regional strategies) on the other hand.	Yes : 2 Partially : 1 No : 0	Application file
SUBTOTAL	/12	

<u>Sub-action 1:</u> <u>Sustainable</u> <u>food security</u>	2. Specific thematic criteria	From 0 to 8	
	2.1 The project should strengthen cooperation between regional stakeholders (institutions, researchers, farmers, non-profit organizations representing the private sector, etc.)	Yes : 1 No : 0	Application file
	2.2 The project will propose innovative solutions for a sustainable agricultural system adapted to each territory concerned	Yes : 1 No : 0	Application file
	2.3 The project will involve civil society actors and/or local populations (awareness-raising activities, scientific mediation, etc.)	Yes : 2 No : 0	Application file
	2.4 The project will enable the production/multiplication of seeds (improved but not genetically modified) and healthy plants of varieties adapted to local contexts	Yes : 1 No : 0	Application file
	2.5 The project will enable the large-scale distribution of these seeds and seedlings within the territory and in the Indian Ocean region	Yes : 1 No : 0	Application file
	2.6 The project promotes the implementation of national and regional strategies to ensure the reproducibility of results and the structuring of seed sectors	Yes : 2 No : 0	Application file
SUBTOTAL		/8	
TOTAL		/20	
<u>Sub-action 2:</u> <u>Disaster Risk</u> <u>Prevention and</u> <u>Reduction</u>	2. Specific Thematic Criteria	From 0 to 8	
	2.1 The project must propose solutions and/or avenues for improving the resilience of populations to disasters, based on the national risk and disaster management strategy of the countries involved	Yes : 2 No : 0	Application file
	2.2 The project must propose disaster monitoring and surveillance actions, promoting initiatives that incorporate local practices and favor low-tech and resilient solutions	Yes : 2 No : 0	Application file
	2.3 The project must include community awareness-raising actions (school audiences, civil society, etc.)	Yes : 2 No : 0	Application file
	2.4 The project promotes the implementation of tools and mechanisms that encourage networking among actors in the field of risk management.	Yes : 2 No : 0	Application file
SUBTOTAL		/8	
TOTAL		/20	
* A score of 0 is eliminatory.			
Applications scoring below the threshold of 15/20 will not be selected.			

APPENDIX 4 : Conditions of deposit

Conditions of deposit - Call for projects NDICI-ERDF

Applications must be submitted by the main ERDF beneficiary, project coordinator for the NDICI funding component, electronically via the regional European funds portal at the following address: <https://aides.regionreunion.com/reunion-portail/>

The list of documents required for the grant application file shall include all the documents requested in this call for proposals. The reviewing department may request additional documents that it deems necessary for the review of the file, depending on the nature of the operation, the expenses presented, etc.

The applicant must undertake to request only the financial resources specified in its grant application.

As a reminder, a “Procedure sheet - account creation” and information on the INTERREG VI OI 2021-2027 program are available on the Réunion Region website at the following link: <https://www.regionreunion.com/aides-services/article/votre-projet-interreg-vi-2021-2027>.

Before submitting the grant application file, but also in the event of technical difficulties during submission, applicants should contact the following points of contact:

Contact - **Sub-action 1: Sustainable Food Security**

Direction FEDER Recherche Innovation (DFRI)

Tel: +262 2 62 30 87 48 Email: dfri@cr-reunion.fr

Contact - **Sub-action 2: Disaster Risk Prevention and Reduction**

Direction FEDER Développement Durable (DFDD)

Tel: +262 2 62 67 14 49 Email: dfdd@cr-reunion.fr

It is strongly recommended that applicants do not wait until the submission deadline to start (or finalize) their application. The Managing Authority will not be held responsible for any technical difficulties unless there is verifiable unavailability of the platform.

APPENDIX 5 : Annex 1 of the NDICI Contribution Agreement (cf. Monitoring Committee from 10 to 24th march 2025)

Annex 1 to the Contribution Agreement

1. Presentation

1.1 Context

The regional integration of the European Outermost regions (ORs) through enhanced cooperation with neighbouring countries has been a key objective and pillar of the EU strategy for these regions since 2004, reiterated in successive communications issued by the European Commission.¹

The Interreg VI-D "Indian Ocean" program is the third generation of programs managed by the Regional Council of Reunion in the Indian Ocean region since cooperation was integrated into the cohesion policy in 2006. The program benefits from a European Union (EU) contribution of EUR 62,252,459, almost equivalent to the EU contribution received for the period 2014-2020 (EUR 63.15 million).

Overall, the program continues the previous programming period in terms of geographical scope and thematic allocation of expenditure. It covers the outermost regions of Reunion and Mayotte, one overseas country and territory (French Southern and Antarctic Territories - TAAF), and eleven third-party countries: Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, Kenya, Mozambique, Tanzania, Australia, India, the Maldives and Sri Lanka.

The program identifies health, exposure to natural hazards, climate change and dependence on fossil fuels, biodiversity conservation, waste management, and limited youth access to employment as common challenges in the field of cooperation. Given these challenges, the main investment priority is research and innovation. Additionally, the program aims to strengthen cooperation in this area by facilitating small-scale projects for civil society actors and taking into account synergies and complementarities with other programs and funds.

The program complies with the topical focus established for Component D (Article 15 of Regulations (EU) 2021/1059). It is aligned with climate change objectives (33.7%) and contributes 13% of its total amount to EU biodiversity, exceeding the targets of 7.5% in 2024 and 10% in 2026 set by the multiannual financial framework. The program adheres to the "Do No Significant Harm" (DNSH) principle as well as the New European Bauhaus initiative.

The program identifies supported projects under the specific Interreg objective "Better Governance," which aims to strengthen the sense of belonging to an Indian Ocean community and enhance institutional actors' skills. The regional Indian Ocean platform bringing together Red Cross societies in the region is also considered a strategically important operation.

¹ COM(2022) final 198 on 3.5.2022 "Giving priority to citizens, ensuring sustainable and inclusive growth and liberating the potential of EU Outermost Regions."

1.2 Objective of the Agreement

In accordance with Article 7 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060² of the European Parliament and the Council, and Article 55.3.b of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059³, the Commission, with the agreement of France and the Regional Council of Reunion, has decided to implement cooperation involving the outermost regions under the "European Territorial Cooperation" (Interreg) objective within the framework of indirect management for IVCDCl funding. Article 62.1.c of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 (hereinafter the "Financial Regulation")⁴ and Regulation (EU) 2021/947 establishing the Neighbourhood, Development, and International Cooperation Instrument – Global Europe⁵ apply to the IVCDCl funding of the "Interreg VI-D Indian Ocean" program for the period 2025-2027 (hereinafter the "program").

The present agreement sets out the conditions for financing and implementation under indirect management of the IVCDCl contribution to the program, as approved by Decision C(2025)XXX.

1.3 Expected Outcome

The main expected outcome is to strengthen the cooperation of outermost regions with third-party countries, in order to facilitate their regional integration and harmonious development within their neighbourhood.

In its communication on a new strategy for the ORs⁶, the Commission has emphasized the importance of cooperation with neighbouring countries and territories for the economic development and regional integration of these regions. It has also committed to facilitating the implementation of projects co-financed by the ERDF and IVCDCl.

2. Implementation

2.1 Strategy and Logical Framework

The strategy is described in Section I of the Indian Ocean program.

² Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021, laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund, and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund, and establishing financial rules applicable to these Funds, as well as to the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund, and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy (OJ L 231 of 30.6.2021, p. 159).

³ OJ L 231 of 30.6.2021, p. 94.

⁴ JO L 193 of 30.7.2018, p. 1.

⁵ OJ L 209 of 16.6.2021, p. 1-78.

⁶ COM(2022) final 198 of 3.5.2022 "Giving priority to citizens, ensuring sustainable and inclusive growth, liberating the potential of the EU outermost regions."

The logical framework for intervention ("Strategy") is outlined in Section I of the Interreg (VI-D) Indian Ocean program and is also annexed to the present document.

2.2 Priority areas of Intervention

The contribution agreement program is structured around the issue of climate resilience, through two priorities of the Interreg (VI-D) Indian Ocean program:

- **"Strengthening collaborative research and economic cooperation" (Priority 1).**
The challenges of climate change affecting the Indian Ocean area are significant, impacting both populations and their livelihoods. Research is being applied regionally as a response to these global disruptions. A transition to more sustainable and productive agricultural and food systems is essential. This priority will support collaborative research promoting improved agro-ecological practices to ensure sufficient and high-quality food for the Indian Ocean populations.
- **"Enhancing the resilience and sustainable development of territories" (Priority 2).**
In the face of the various natural hazards exacerbated by climate change, it is necessary to strengthen the prevention, preparedness, and response capacities of Indian Ocean actors in disaster risk management. Additionally, it aims to increase regional monitoring and surveillance capacities.

2.3 Implementation Period

The implementation period is specified in Article 2 of the contribution agreement.

2.4 Location

The final beneficiaries eligible for funding under the contribution agreement will be located in the following countries: Comoros, Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, Kenya, Mozambique, and Tanzania.

2.5 Organizational Structure and Responsibilities

The contribution agreement is signed and managed by the Regional Council of Reunion. The Regional Council of Reunion will determine procurement and grants, award procedures, allocate, apply, and close legal commitments ("individual agreements") signed with action beneficiaries ("agreement"), and ensure the proper execution of all the clauses of individual agreements in accordance with its internal rules.

Project selection will follow the procedures described in Section 4 of the revised Indian Ocean program (date to be specified).

Each project will involve at least two beneficiaries, with at least one located in an EU Member State and at least one in a partner country mentioned in Section 2.4.

2.6 Reports

The reporting obligations are mentioned in Article 4 of the special conditions and Article 3 of the general conditions.

2.7 Communication and Visibility

Communication and visibility, as mentioned in Article 7 of the general conditions, will be carried out in accordance with the provisions described in Section 5 of the Indian Ocean program.

The communication costs of a project constitute an eligible expense for that project. The Regional Council of Reunion is responsible for the correct execution of the communication plan, including the obligations mentioned in Article 36 of Regulation 2021/1059 (INTERREG).

2.8 Assessment

The assessment obligations are mentioned in Article 9 of the general conditions. Assessment exercises will be conducted jointly through the assessment plan approved by the Indian Ocean program Monitoring Committee.

The following ERDF-ETC indicators⁷ must be included each year in the interim annual report:

Application Indicators:

- Indicator RCO 007 (Research organizations participating in joint research projects) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: 70
- Indicator RCO 116 (Jointly developed solutions) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: 60
- Indicator RCO 024 (Investments in new or upgraded systems for disaster monitoring, preparedness, alert, and response) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: €6,026,540 (ERDF)
- Indicator RCO 081 (Participation in joint cross-border actions) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: 385
- Indicator RCO 085 (Participation in joint training actions) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: 1,110

Result Indicators:

- Indicator RCR 104 (Solutions adopted or developed by organizations) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: 50
- Indicator RCR 081 (Successfully completed joint training actions) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: 1,110
- Indicator ISR 001 (Population made aware of natural and health risks) - Target to be achieved by the program's closure: 25,000

Additionally, the projects may contribute to the following indicators:⁸

- The proportion of women participating in project implementation.

⁷ It is understood that the targets provided correspond to the indicators of the Interreg (VI-D) Indian Ocean program (*concerned specific objectives*). The IVCDCl-FEDER action will contribute, but will not, in itself, enable targets to be achieved.

⁸ The target value will be specified in the first annual interim report.

- The number of ultimate beneficiaries (target audiences) of IVCDCl-ERDF joint projects implemented under this framework (disaggregated by gender).
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3. Budget

The budget is specified in Article 3 of the specific conditions of the contribution agreement and in Annex III.

4. Audits, Controls, and Irregularities

4.1 Obligations

The obligations related to audits, controls, and irregularities are mentioned in Articles 2.6, 3.7, and 15 of the General Conditions and Article 4.3 of the contribution agreement.

4.2 Eligibility of Audit Costs

The audit costs mentioned in point 6.1 of this annex will be eligible for funding under the action's budget, either as remuneration for the organization or as a cost for each project. The choice of eligibility of audit costs will be specified in each agreement signed with a final beneficiary.

5. Recovery

The provisions related to recovery are mentioned in Article 14 of the general conditions.

6. Horizontal Principles

The obligations regarding compliance with the horizontal principles are mentioned in Section 4 of the Indian Ocean program.

7. First-Year and Overall Work Program

In accordance with Article 3.1 of the general conditions, the first-year work program is detailed below:

1. **Step 1:** Signature of the contribution agreement.
2. **Step 2:** Presentation of the call for projects (CfP) to the selection committee.
3. **Step 3:** Exchange and information sessions with all partners (EU delegations in the Indian Ocean region, national focal points of partner countries, regional offices, Indian Ocean Commission) on the implementation of the INTERREG VI program, particularly the IVCDCl-ERDF CfP (dissemination of the CfP within partner countries, communication, etc.).

4. **Step 4:** Launch of the CfP.
5. **Step 5:** Reception of project proposals.
6. **Step 6:** Transmission of projects for review to the relevant EU Delegations.
7. **Step 7:** Evaluation of projects by the Managing Authority's departments.
8. **Step 8:** Selection of projects by the selection committee.
9. **Step 9:** Implementation of contractual agreements with pilots of projects.
10. **Step 10:** Start of field operations (some preliminary and preparatory expenses may already have been incurred by the beneficiaries).

Indicative Work Plan:

The call for projects launched in the first year following the signing of the contribution agreement is intended to cover the entire implementation period. However, if this initial call does not enable allocation of the full budget, additional calls for projects may be published.

An annual monitoring of the progress of selected projects is planned, notably in order to:

- Ensure the implementation of the IVCDCl action.
- Prepare the reporting obligations to be carried out for the European Commission.
- Enable the issuing of the annual management declaration.
- Implement specific communication actions to demonstrate the joint intervention and complementarity of ERDF and IVCDCl funding.

8. Project Office(s) and Coordination Unit(s)

In accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 46 of Regulation 2021/1059, for Interreg programs also supported by EU external financing instruments, one or more branches of the Joint Secretariat may be established in one or more partner countries to perform the Secretariat's tasks closer to the beneficiaries and potential partners of the partner country. These branches are funded by the ERDF.

In accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 7 of the contribution agreement, the organization may establish one or more project offices in one or more partner countries to carry out the organization's tasks, except for those assigned to the Joint Secretariat. These offices are funded by the IVCDCl – Global Europe.

9. Additional Rules

Before publishing the call for projects, the selection committee will decide on the functions and responsibilities of the lead beneficiary (ERDF), who will also act as the project coordinator for the IVCDCl-Global Europe funding component.

After the call for projects is published, project applications will be submitted by the main beneficiary (ERDF), who will also act as the project coordinator for the IVCDCl-Global Europe funding component.

ANNEX 1a: LOGICAL ACTION FRAMEWORK

	Description	Expected results	Indicative cost €	Indicators	Sources of control	Hypotheses
1. Observation	The Indian Ocean zone is highly impacted by climate change and its consequences on several levels (intensification of natural hazards, disruptions to agricultural production and impact on food security for populations etc.)					

2. General objective of the IVCDCl contribution to the Interreg program	"Reinforcing resilience to climate change in the Indian Ocean zone"					
3. Specific objective N° 1	Reinforcing sustainable food security in the Indian Ocean zone (Relevant priority of Interreg Program: Priority 1 – <i>Consolidating collaborative research and economic cooperation</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reinforcing Cooperation between regional actors (institutions, research structures, farmers etc.) - Applying concrete solutions aimed at sustainable agricultural systems in the countries concerned 	2.5 million	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCO Indicator 007 (Research organizations participating in joint research projects) - target objective to be achieved by the closure of the program: 70 - RCO Indicator 116 (Jointly developed solutions) - target objective to be achieved by the closure of the program: 60 - RCR Indicator 104 (Solutions adopted or developed by organizations) - target objective to be achieved by the closure of the program: 50 <p><u>Specific indicators</u> (Target values will be provided in the first annual interim report):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proportion of women participating in the implementation of the project; - Number of ultimate beneficiaries (target population) of the joint IVCDCl-ERDF projects implemented under the program (disaggregated by gender). 	Deliverables / operation reports	Favourable political and health context of the countries involved enabling optimum implementation of projects selected
4. Specific objective N° 2	Reinforcing disaster risk prevention in the south-west Indian Ocean zone (Priority of the Relevant Interreg program: Priority 2. - <i>Reinforcing the resilience</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Setting up monitoring and surveillance actions for natural disasters - The local populations 	2.5 million	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCO Indicator 024 (Investments in new or renovated systems for 	Deliverables /operation reports	Favourable political and health context of the countries involved enabling optimum

	and sustainable development of territories"	(institutional actors, civil society, school, pupils etc.) are trained and made aware of management of major hazards		<p>monitoring, preparedness, early warning, and response to natural disasters) - target objective to be achieved by the closure of the program: €6,026,540</p> <p>- RCO Indicator 081 (Participation in cross-border joint actions) - target objective to be achieved by the closure of the program: 385</p> <p>- RCO Indicator 085 (Participation in joint training actions) - target objective to be achieved by the closure of the program: 1,110</p> <p>- ISR Indicator 001 (Populations made aware of natural and health risks) - target objective to be achieved by the closure of the program: 25,000</p> <p><u>Specific indicators</u> (target values will be provided in the first annual interim report):</p> <p>- Proportion of women participating in the implementation of the project;</p> <p>- Number of ultimate beneficiaries (target audiences) of</p>	implementation of projects selected
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				joint IVCDI- ERDF projects implemented under the program (disaggregated by gender).		
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The target value will be specified in the **first annual interim report**.