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## PROJECT

Project title (*max. 120 characters*):

LIFE IP PAF Biodiversity recovery approach for N2000 sites and surroundings, in cooperation with agricultural and other land users

Project acronym (*max. 25 characters*):

LIFE IP All4Biodiversity

The project will be implemented in the following Country(s) and/or Administrative region(s):

The Netherlands

Expected start date: 9 March 2020

Expected end date: 8 March 2026

## PROJECT POLICY AREA

You can only tick one of the following options:

**LIFE Integrated Project Nature:** Integrated project implementing prioritised action frameworks pursuant to Article 8 of the Habitats Directive which may include Green Infrastructure actions that contribute to the coherence of the Natura 2000 network in a cross-border context

**LIFE Integrated Project Environment:** Integrated project implementing:

- waste management plans pursuant to Article 28 of the Waste Framework Directive
- river basin management plans pursuant to Annex VII to the Water Framework Directive
- air quality plans pursuant to the Air Quality Directive or national air pollution control programmes pursuant to the National Emission Ceilings Directive.

The project will implement the following plan/strategy (*full copy is to be provided if modified since Concept Note submission*):

The project aims at implementing the Prioritised Action Framework (PAF) for N2000 in the Netherlands. The new PAF for the periode 2021-2027 is enclosed with this proposal. The current PAF (covering the period 2014-2020) has been sent attached with the Concept Note.

**BENEFICIARIES**

- Name of the **coordinating** beneficiary (1): Provincie Zuid-Holland (PZH)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (2): Provincie Limburg – Province of Limburg (PL)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (3): Provincie Noord-Brabant (PNB)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (4): Provincie Gelderland – Province of Gelderland (PG)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (5): Provincie Friesland – Province of Friesland (PF)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (6): Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality (MinLNV)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (7): Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Quality (MinIenW)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (8): Land- en Tuinbouw Organisatie (LTO)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (9): BoerenNatuur - Farmers & Nature (BenN)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (10): Stichting Deltaplan Biodiversiteitsherstel (Detlaplan)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (11): Natuurmonumenten - (NM)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (12): Staatsbosbeheer – State Forestry Service (SBB)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (13): Naturalis Biodiversity Center (Naturalis)  
Name of the associated beneficiary (14): Vogelbescherming Nederland - Birdlife Netherlands (VBN)

**PROJECT BUDGET AND REQUESTED EC FUNDING**

Total integrated project budget:	16.271.076,- €
Total LIFE eligible project budget:	16.271.076,- €
EC LIFE financial contribution requested:	9.762.646,- € (= 60% of total eligible budget)

Coordinating Beneficiary Profile Information				
Short Name	PZH	Beneficiary n°	1	
<b>Legal information on the Coordinating Beneficiary</b>				
Legal Name	Provincie Zuid-Holland		Legal Status	
VAT No	NL.0023.06.608.B.02		Public body	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Legal Registration No	27375169		Private commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>
Registration Date	18-03-2010		Private non-commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Coordinating Beneficiary contact person information</b>				
Function	Programme Manager Biodiversity			
Surname	[REDACTED]		First Name	[REDACTED]
E-mail address	[REDACTED]			
Department / Service	Department of Water and Nature			
Street Name and No	Provinciehuis Zuid-Holland, Zuid-Hollandplein 1		PO Box	90602
Post Code	2509 LP	Town/City	The Hague	
Country Code	NL	Country Name	The Netherlands	
<b>Coordinating Beneficiary details</b>				
Website	<a href="https://www.zuid-holland.nl/">https://www.zuid-holland.nl/</a>			
<b>Brief description of the Coordinating Beneficiary's activities and experience in the area of the proposal</b>				
<p>The Province of Zuid Holland is the governmental organisation directly responsible for nature conservation (including N2000), water quality (including WFD) and a healthy environment in the Zuid Holland region. This region has approximately 3,7 million inhabitants and encompasses a range of nature reserves (e.g. dunes, meadow bird grasslands, wetlands, rivers), surrounded by dairy and arable farming, and the large cities of Rotterdam and the Hague. In the new vision for a healthy living environment, the province recognizes that all elements in the landscape need to include natural and biodiversity-friendly elements and management to meet the N2000 and associated nature conservation goals. To this end, a combination of action will be implemented over the coming years, including the completion of the Netherlands Nature Network, support of transition towards nature-inclusive farming, infrastructure management, circular economy as well as green blue urbanization. The province is frontrunner in the development and facilitation of integrated regional initiatives in which nature, economy and society thrive together (e.g. Green Circles, Food Families, Regional development). Together, these (and other) activities greatly increase the likelihood to meet N2000, WFD and associated (inter)national goals for biodiversity conservation. The budget foreseen for nature and environment associated activities is approximately € 205 million euro for the next 8 years. Furthermore has the province of Zuid-Holland an wide experience in managing international project such as LIFE Clinch, Clean Inland Shipping.</p>				



<b>COORDINATING BENEFICIARY DECLARATION</b>
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The undersigned hereby certifies that:

1. The specific actions listed in this proposal do not and will not receive aid from the European Structural and Investment Funds or other European Union funding programmes. In the event that any such funding will be made available after the submission of the proposal or during the implementation of the project, my organisation will immediately inform the Contracting Authority.
2. My organisation Provincie Zuid-Holland has not been served with bankruptcy orders, nor has it received a formal summons from creditors. My organisation is not in any of the situations listed in Articles 106(1) and 107 of Council Regulation No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L298 of 26.10.2012).
3. My organisation (which is legally registered in the European Union) will contribute 1.121.232 € to the project. My organisation will participate in the implementation of the following actions: A.1, C.1, E.1, E.2, E.3, E.4, F.1, F2 and F.3. The estimated total cost of my organisation's part in the implementation of the project is 2.803.079 €.
4. My organisation will conclude with the associated beneficiaries and co-financiers any agreements necessary for the completion of the work, provided these do not infringe on their obligations, as stated in the grant agreement with the Contracting Authority. Such agreements will be based on the model proposed by the Contracting Authority. They will describe clearly the tasks to be performed by each associated beneficiary and define the financial arrangements.
5. I commit to comply with all relevant eligibility criteria, as defined in the LIFE Multiannual Work Programme 2018-2020 and the LIFE Call for Proposals including the LIFE Guidelines for Applicants.

I am legally authorised to sign this statement on behalf of my organisation.

I have read in full the LIFE Model Grant Agreement and the Financial and Administrative Guidelines provided with the LIFE application files.

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the statements made in this proposal are true and the information provided is correct.

At Den Haag on .....

Signature of the Coordinating Beneficiary:

Name(s) and status of signatory: Mr. Berend Potjer, Gedeputeerde Provincie Zuid-Holland



**PUBLIC BODY DECLARATION**

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

My organisation Provincie Zuid-Holland is either

A. State or regional or local authority,

or

B. a body governed by public law, or an association formed by one or more of such authorities or bodies governed by public law, or an entity registered as private law body wishing to be considered for the purpose of this call as equivalent to "public body"; **it fulfils all four following criteria** and will prove it by providing evidence upon first request::

1. it is established for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest, not having an industrial or commercial character, and
2. it has a legal personality and
3. it is financed, for most part, by the State, or regional or local authorities, or other bodies governed by public law; or subject to management supervision by those bodies; or having an administrative, managerial or supervisory board, more than half of whose members are appointed by the State, regional or local authorities or by other bodies governed by public law, and
4. **in the event the organisation stops its activities, its rights and obligations, liability and debts will be transferred to a public body.**

It should be therefore considered a "public body" for the purpose of this LIFE 2019 call for integrated project proposals.

I am legally authorised to sign this statement on behalf of my organisation.

At Den Haag on .....

Signature of the Beneficiary:

Name(s) and status of signatory: Mr. Berend Potjer, Gedeputeerde Provincie Zuid-Holland