

Environment, Climate Change and Low Carbon Economy Programme

Final Report on the Selection Process

Small Grants Scheme #1 – Projects to prevent and raise awareness of marine litter

- The call for proposals opened at the EEA Grants Site¹ on 18th July 2019 and closed on the 31st October 2019.
- Twenty-four eligible applications were received summing up a total requested funding of 3.796.738,87€. Being the allocation available 1.000.000€, the projects submitted made up 3.8 times the allocation available.
- The projects funding rate was screened in order to comply with State aid rules in force and considers any and all other forms of public support granted to projects. Any remaining costs of the project shall be provided or obtained by the project's promoters.
- According to point 13.2 of the Call after the scoring process of the projects, the Secretary General for Environment provided the ranked list of projects to the Selection Committee and to FMO. The provisional list of the projects ranked by Overall Score (OS) is on the table below, being the recommended for funding the first five, shaded green. The sixth project would receive the remaining funding (159.755,36€), in case it would accept to fund the remaining costs.

¹ <https://www.eeagrants.gov.pt/en/programmes/environment/calls/small-grants-scheme-1-projects-to-prevent-and-raise-awareness-to-reduce-marine-litter/>; <https://www.eeagrants.gov.pt/media/2369/environment-programme-sgs1.pdf>

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<i>Project number</i>	<i>Name of the Project</i>	<i>Overall Score (0-100)</i>	<i>Funding of Environment Programme</i>	<i>Project grant rate (%)</i>
10_SGS#1	RefillH2O_IPVC - X	92,15	140.349,64 €	80
16_SGS#1	PORTO SANTO SEM LIXO MARINHO_X	90,3	194.629,72 €	90
38_SGS#1	LowPlastic_Município Vila Nova de Cerveira	89,25	105.875,20 €	80
12_SGS#1	E-REDES _Município Esposende	88,4	199.390,09 €	80
14_SGS#1	Fishing the Plastic_BUSINESS as NATURE	87,9	200.000,00 €	81
04_SGS#1	HÁ RIO E MAR_LIPOR - X	87,5	200.000,00 €	75
03_SGS#1	H2ONDE_GET2C	86,5	159.134,60 €	80
11_SGS#1	Mar Sem Lixo_ DOCAPESCA	84,8	154.882,78 €	80
18_SGS#1	Portuguese Plastics Pact	84,4	183.996,76 €	80
19_SGS#1	OrCA_FLUP - X	83,75	200.000,00 €	80
15_SGS#1	OptaMar_OPTA	83,725	184.034,11 €	90
06_SGS#1	O Oceano começa aqui_Águas de Gaia	83	130.040,00 €	80
02_SGS#1	BlueChallenge_Chimp	82,75	108.753,63 €	80
31_SGS#1	NEMO_UC_X	82	144.983,24 €	80
20_SGS#1	Oceanaut_CIIMAR	81	159.767,11 €	80
39_SGS#1	OceanAction_CIIMAR	81	136.645,08 €	80

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29_SGS#1	For Ocean_UC	79,5	131.579,77 €	80
08_SGS#1	Biosfera Oceanos em perigo_Farol	79	106.630,58 €	80
09_SGS#1	AgriPRO_IPVC	76,25	159.293,40 €	80
07_SGS#1	PLASFISH_FCUL - X	71,75	173.143,43 €	80
13_SGS#1	Guardians of the Urban Seas - X	71	128.924,00 €	80
05_SGS#1	Empowering Coastal Communities_Ocean Tech Hub	69,75	171.415,76 €	80
37_SGS#1	RiverKeepers_KEEP	63,5	176.070,00 €	80
17_SGS#1	Um mundo de Escolhas	42	147.200,00 €	80

- The projects were evaluated at the Selection Committee Meeting on 14 February 2020, (Minutes attached).
- The Selection Committee analyzed the information provided, having agreed with the ranking. It was underlined the great number of applications submitted and their variety, concluding that the market had given a good response to the call for tender.
Therefore, the Selection Committee submitted this list to the Secretary General for Environment recommending the first five projects to be funded by the Environment Programme, summing up 840.244,64€. The remaining funds up to the amount of 1.000.000 €, may pass to the next Promoters, by orders of ranking, in case they accept a lower funding.
- After verification that the selection process has been conducted in accordance with the “Regulation on the implementation of the European Economic Area (EEA) Financial Mechanism 2014-2021” and that the recommendations from the Selection Committee comply with the rules and objectives of the programme, the Secretary General for Environment publicized the results, and notified the applicants about the provisional results of the selection process, on 27 February 2020.

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- It started then the period of ten working days for appealing from the project promoters of their classification obtained. This period ended on 12 March 2020.

Eight promoters have submitted their allegations. The table below summarizes these project allegations and replies, which files follow as attachment.

Application N. Project name	Promotor's allegations) (files attached)	Reply from Secretaria Geral (files attached)	Reply E-mail(s) (files attached)
04 HÁ RIO E MAR_LIPOR - X	04_Pronuncia-audiencia- previa_LIPOR_v2_assinada	04_Resposta à Pronuncia_Lista Provisória_SGS#1_LIPOR	Candidatura 4 _ Aviso de Small Grants Scheme # 1
05 Empowering Coastal Communities_ Ocean Tech Hub	05_Appeal_EMLO Project	05_Reply 05_SGS#2_Empowering Coastal Communities through CE Marine Litter Opportunities	Reply: Appeal against the provisional results: Aviso de Small Grants Scheme # 1, 17.03.2020 às 17:03
09 AgriPRO_IPVC	09_AgriPRO_IPVC	09_AgriPRO Aviso Small Grants Scheme # 1_09- Resultados da Comissão de Seleção -Lista Provisória	09_AgriPro_Pronuncia_primeira resposta 09_AgriPro_Pronuncia_segunda resposta
11 Mar Sem Lixo_ DOCAPESCA	11_Carta CA-154	11_E Credencial Consulta de todos os processos da lista provisória de avaliação dos projetos e candidaturas apresentadas ao... 11_Resposta à Pronuncia_Lista Provisória_SGS#1_Docapesca 11-2-E Credencial Consulta de todos os processos da lista provisória de avaliação dos projectos e candidaturas apresentadas ao... (1)	Candidatura 11SGS#1_Resposta a pronúncia
14 Fishing the Plastic_BUSINE SS as NATURE	14_Pronuncia-audiencia- previa_EEAGrants_BasN_v 3 (003) rev SV	14_Resposta à Pronuncia_Lista Provisória_SGS#1_Business As Nature	candidatura 14SGS#1_ Apresentação de pronúncia no âmbito da audiência prévia sobre a Lista Provisória Candidatura 14 _ Aviso de Small Grants Scheme #1 -Apresentação de

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			pronúncia no âmbito da audiência prévia
15 OptaMar_OPT A	15_RE Aviso de Small Grants Scheme # 1 _15- Resultados da Comissão de Seleção -Lista Provisória	15_RE Aviso de Small Grants Scheme # 1 _15- Resultados da Comissão de Seleção -Lista Provisória	Candidatura _15 Aviso de Small Grants Scheme # 1
18 Portuguese Plastics Pact	18_ASWP_Alegações_Finais	18_Resposta à Pronúncia_Lista Provisória_SGS#1_Associação Smart Waste	Candidatura 18 _ Aviso de Small Grants Scheme # 1
19 OrCA_FLUP - X	19_Programa Ambiente_reclamação projeto OrCA	19_Resposta à Pronúncia_Lista Provisória_SGS#1_FacLetras	Candidatura _19_ Aviso de Small Grants Scheme # 1 RE Aviso de Small Candidatura _19 _ Grants Scheme # 1 - Alegações Finais Re Aviso de Small Candidatura 19 _ Grants Scheme # 1 Reclamação do projecto OrCA

- The Secretary General analyzed these allegations, reviewed in detail each of the applications, and gave formal feed-back to each of the promoters, justifying their classification. In three of those cases the classification was upgraded. Nevertheless, none of these corrections changed the ranking of the selected projects for funding.
- The Secretary General submitted to the Selection Committee both the allegations and its appreciation.
- The Selection Committee analyzed the information provided and gave its final and definitive opinion on the overall scores approving the Final List which follows below. It should be noted that in three of the projects the classification was upgraded. In these cases the project line is shaded in light blue:

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04_SGS#1	HÁ RIO E MAR_LIPOR - X	87,5
19_SGS#1	OrCA_FLUP - X	86,75*
03_SGS#1	H2ONDE_GET2C	86,5
09_SGS#1	AgriPRO_IPVC	85,25**
11_SGS#1	Mar Sem Lixo_ DOCAPESCA	84,8
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20_SGS#1	Oceanaut_CIIMAR	81
39_SGS#1	OceanAction_CIIMAR_email_emPreenchimento	81
29_SGS#1	For Ocean_UC	79,5
08_SGS#1	Biosfera Oceanos em perigo_Farol	79
05_SGS#1	Empowering Coastal Communities_Ocean Tech Hub	74,75***
07_SGS#1	PLASFISH_FCUL - X	71,75
13_SGS#1	Guardians of the Urban Seas - X	71
37_SGS#1	RiverKeepers_KEEP	63,5
17_SGS#1	Um mundo de Escolhas	42

*Criteria A: It was considered to add the points related to Public entity as partners because although the partners is private, the promotor is a public entity.

**It was added the points from partner Donor country (criteria B) and also the points related to the activities (Criteria D). It was considered that the activities were described but not the goals due to file submitted being with no information.

*** It was added the points from partner Donor country (criteria B).

The recommendation for funding had no changes. The Final List shall be publicized at the Programme Operator.



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The Secretary General for Environment
