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# LIFE Programme in Czechia

The LIFE Programme is the EU's funding instrument for environment and climate action. It has been running since 1992 and has co-financed more than 6 000 projects across the EU and in neighbouring countries. LIFE has contributed almost €8 billion to these projects, amounting to around two-thirds of the projects' overall budget of €12 billion. The LIFE Programme contributes directly to the objectives and targets of the European Green Deal.

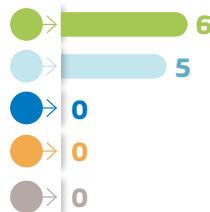
The LIFE Programme includes the following sub-programmes:

-  NATURE & BIODIVERSITY
-  CIRCULAR ECONOMY & QUALITY OF LIFE
-  CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION & ADAPTATION
-  CLEAN ENERGY TRANSITION

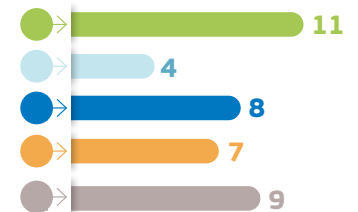
 BUDGET 2021-2027  
→ **€5.4 billion**

 **50 LIFE projects<sup>1</sup>**

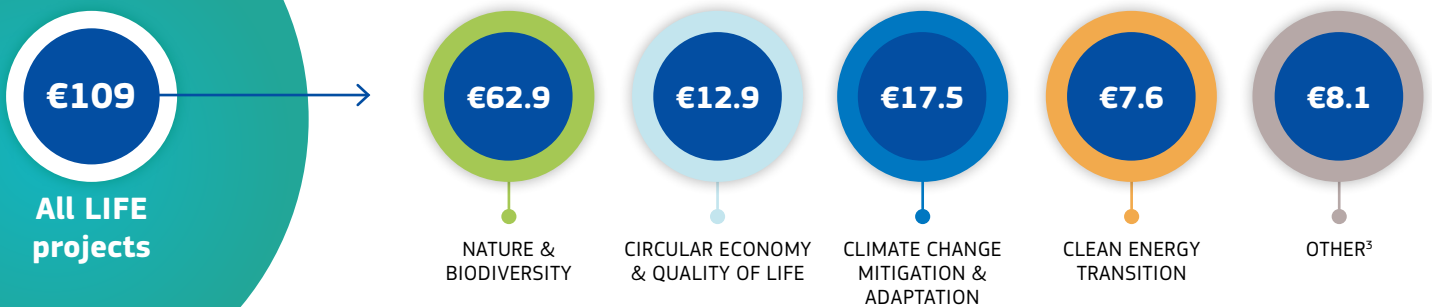
**11 LIFE Projects**  
as coordinator (1992-2013)



**39 LIFE Projects**  
as coordinator (since 2014)



## EU contribution<sup>2</sup> to LIFE projects since 1992 (€ million)



1 Total number of project figures refer to projects coordinated by an organisation in the country in question since 1992. LIFE projects financed since 2014 are publicly available on [QlikSense](#).  
2 Covers EU contribution to both project coordinators and project participants to multi-country projects.  
3 OTHER includes NGO operating grants and Capacity Building (CAP) projects. The Technical Assistance (TA) and Preparatory (PRE) projects are included under the relevant sub-programmes.





## FOCUS ON 2023-2024

### LIFE NATURE & BIODIVERSITY

The Nature and Biodiversity sub-programme aims to protect and restore Europe's nature and to halt and reverse biodiversity loss. The subprogramme contributes to the implementation of the EU Birds and Habitats directives, the development and management of the Natura 2000 network, the Invasive Alien Species Regulation, and supports the achievement of the objectives of the EU Biodiversity strategy for 2030 and the newly adopted EU Nature Restoration Regulation.

> [More information on this sub-programme](#)

**TOTAL INVESTMENT**  
2023-2024  
**€45.2 million**

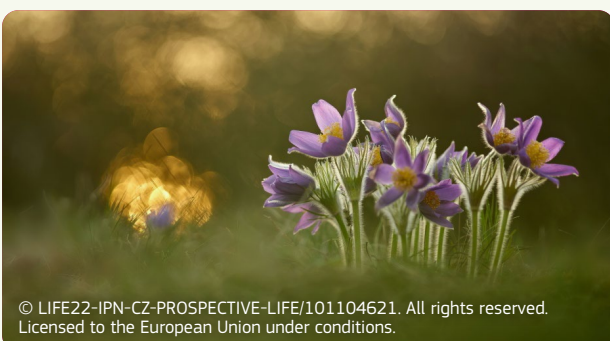
**EU contribution**  
**€27.6 million**



#### Protect Species Actively by LIFE (PROSPECTIVE LIFE)

> [Project summary](#)

PROSPECTIVE LIFE aims to implement the concept of Active Species Conservation Tools in Czechia, focusing on active management to halt biodiversity loss. It seeks to develop a comprehensive system for conserving the most threatened species, aligning with EU biodiversity laws. Key objectives include adopting a National Biodiversity Strategy (2026–2050), preparing new action plans for species protection, addressing knowledge gaps, and improving public and stakeholder awareness. Expected results include a reversal in the decline of at least 25 species, updating policies, and increasing conservation expertise through studies, training and public outreach initiatives.



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### PARTICIPANT in 9 ONGOING PROJECTS

Czech partners are also participating in 9 ongoing LIFE Nature & Biodiversity projects in 6 other EU Member States.

- 1 **AUSTRIA**  
[LIFE EUROKITE](#)
- 2 **GERMANY**  
[PAME Europe](#)
- 3 **ITALY**  
[PREDATOR](#)  
[LIFE WILD WOLF](#)
- 4 **POLAND**  
[PODKOWIEC TOWERS](#)  
[LIFE Apollo2020](#)
- 5 **SLOVAKIA**  
[LIFE SYSEL](#)  
[LIFE SUB-PANNONIC](#)
- 6 **SPAIN**  
[EBP reinforcement](#)



### COORDINATOR of 5 ONGOING PROJECTS

#### Examples of ongoing projects in Czechia

**LIFE in Salt Marshes** aims to restore 506 hectares of wetlands, including 20 hectares of inland salt meadows in southern Moravia, by enhancing habitat diversity, reducing pollution and controlling invasive species.

**LIFE SouthMoravia** aims to restore overgrown habitats in South Moravia through traditional farming, grazing and eco-tourism to encourage sustainable conservation.

**LIFE-IP: N2K Revisited** seeks to improve Natura 2000 site management in Czechia through better planning, resource allocation and stakeholder engagement.

**LIFE for MIREs** aims to restore wetlands and hydrology in the Šumava and Bavarian forests, supporting biodiversity and the endangered black grouse in particular.



## CIRCULAR ECONOMY & QUALITY OF LIFE

The Circular Economy and Quality of LIFE sub-programme aims to facilitate the transition toward a sustainable, circular, toxic-free, energy-efficient and climate-resilient economy and to protect, restore and improve the quality of the environment. The sub-programme mainly supports implementing innovative and best practice solutions, in particular with regard to the circular economy, including recovery of resources from waste, water, air, noise, soil and chemical management as well as environmental governance and the and the new European Bauhaus. Priority is given to solutions that are ready to be implemented in close-to-market conditions, at industrial or commercial scale.

> [More information on this sub-programme](#)

TOTAL INVESTMENT

2023-2024

€5.6 million



EU contribution

€3.5 million

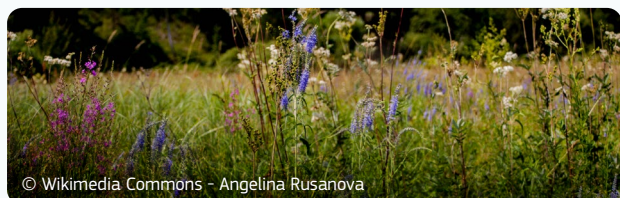
**PARTICIPANT**  
in **9 ONGOING**  
**PROJECTS**

Czech partners are also participating in 9 ongoing LIFE Circular Economy & Quality of Life projects in 6 other EU Member States.

- 1 BELGIUM  
[BE LIFE](#)  
[LIFE20 ENV/BE/000597-LIFE FRAC-IN](#)
- 2 FINLAND  
[GREEN CASTING LIFE](#)  
[Real-LIFE emissions](#)
- 3 GERMANY  
[LIFEChemBee](#)
- 4 HUNGARY  
[ToxFree LIFE for All](#)
- 5 POLAND  
[RE-ELECTRO 4 LIFE](#)
- 6 SLOVAKIA  
[LIFE Living Rivers](#)  
[LIFE-IP SK AQ Improvement](#)



### Conservation of Natural Heritage for Life in Ukraine (ConNaturLIFE Ukraine)



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> [Project summary](#)

ConNaturLIFE Ukraine aims to establish an effective governance and management system for Ukraine's Emerald Network, aligning it with EU Birds and Habitats Directives and Natura 2000 standards. It will identify necessary legislative changes, create a roadmap for directive implementation, and enhance the structure of conservation authorities. The project will provide best-practice guidance, build capacity within conservation bodies, and engage the public in governance efforts. Demonstration sites will model improved management practices, with results expandable across the network. The Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources will use these outcomes to drive policy reform, promoting closer alignment with EU environmental standards and strengthening Ukraine's collaboration with Czechia and the EU.

**COORDINATOR**  
of **2 ONGOING**  
**PROJECTS**

**ConNaturLIFE Ukraine** aims to establish effective governance for the Emerald Network in Ukraine, supporting EU directive implementation through legislative updates, capacity building, and stakeholder engagement to strengthen conservation and align with EU standards.

**LIFE4ZOO** addresses excessive water consumption and low resilience to water shortages in city zoos by implementing a structured water management approach that promotes local water reuse, enhances climate resilience, improves animal welfare, and fosters community well-being, while also serving as a model for environmental education and providing valuable insights for other zoos facing similar challenges.



## LIFE CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION & ADAPTATION

The LIFE Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation sub-programme supports actions that support the implementation of the 2030 energy and climate policy framework and meet the European Union’s commitments under the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. Projects under this strand contribute to the shift towards a sustainable, energy-efficient, renewable-energy-based, climate-neutral and climate-resilient economy.

> [More information on this sub-programme](#)

**TOTAL INVESTMENT**  
2023-2024  
**€8.8 million**

**EU contribution**  
**€5.3 million**

**PARTICIPANT**  
in **4 ONGOING PROJECTS**

Czech partners are also participating in 4 ongoing LIFE Climate Mitigation & Adaptation projects in 3 other EU Member States:

- 1 BELGIUM  
[LIFE EFFECT](#)  
[LIFE TogetherFor1.5](#)
- 2 NETHERLANDS  
[LIFE Terra](#)
- 3 SLOVAKIA  
[CLIMAFORCEELIFE](#)



### HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT

**Green Agristructure for the Adaptation of the Agricultural Landscape – Landscape Elements and Their Integration into the Operation and Economy of Farms (Agristructure LIFE)**



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> [Project summary](#)

Agristructure LIFE aims to create landscape features such as hedges, flowering strips and wetlands that are both climate-adaptive and compatible with farmers’ needs. By designing and testing these elements on pilot farms, the project will enhance water retention, soil protection and biodiversity while supporting the EU Green Deal’s climate adaptation goals. Based on Czech and EU research, tools and guidelines will be developed to guide farm-level planning, inform policy (including CAP), and support corporate sustainability in agriculture. Replicable tools will also be created to extend these practices across similar EU regions.

### COORDINATOR of 6 ONGOING PROJECTS

*Examples of ongoing projects in Czechia*

**TA for IP COOLREGION** aims to ensure quality and stakeholder involvement in the development of a strategic project that supports climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts in the South Moravian Region of Czechia.

**LIFE ClimArchiBase** will create a climate educational platform for architecture and real estate professionals, focusing on sustainable building practices and policy recommendations to promote carbon-neutral construction.

**LIFE Adapt Brdy** aims to reform forest management practices in the Brdy Highland to increase resilience to climate change and replicate sustainable forestry practices across Central Europe.

**LIFE WILL** seeks to enhance the resilience of agricultural landscapes in Czechia and Slovakia to climate change by improving water retention and implementing nature-based adaptation measures through community engagement.

**LIFE-IP COALA** focuses on implementing the Moravian-Silesian Region’s adaptation strategy to increase climate resilience, improve environmental quality and support sustainable development through stakeholder engagement and coordinated funding.



## LIFE CLEAN ENERGY TRANSITION

The LIFE Clean Energy Transition sub-programme supports the delivery of EU policies in the field of sustainable energy, in particular, the European Green Deal, the Energy Union (2030 energy and climate targets) and the European Union’s 2050 long-term decarbonisation strategy. It aims to facilitate the transition towards an energy-efficient, renewable energy-based, climate-neutral and -resilient economy by funding actions of high EU added-value, which are targeted at breaking market barriers that hamper the transition to sustainable energy.

> [More information on this sub-programme](#)

TOTAL INVESTMENT

2023-2024

€4.8 million



EU contribution

4.5 million



### Clean Energy Transition Assistance Centers (CETAC)



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> [Project summary](#)

CETAC aims to support municipalities, particularly in Central and Eastern Europe and Ukraine, in advancing toward net-zero emissions by establishing Clean Energy Transition Assistance Centers. These centres will serve as collaborative hubs, linking municipal staff, citizens, businesses and stakeholders to implement decarbonisation policies effectively. By providing comprehensive training and guidance, CETAC will strengthen municipalities’ capacity to promote sustainable practices and address region-specific climate challenges, acting as a catalyst for cleaner energy transitions in areas where climate policies are less developed.



COORDINATOR of 6 ONGOING PROJECTS

### CETAC (Clean Energy Transition Assistance Center)

aims to empower municipalities in Central and Eastern Europe to achieve net-zero emissions by training staff and establishing centres for collaboration with citizens and businesses (see below for more detail).

streamSAVE+ supports EU Member States in enhancing their energy-saving measures and calculations to meet the revised Energy Efficiency Directive targets through knowledge sharing and tailored capacity support.

LIFE LivingLab seeks to improve energy efficiency in public buildings in the Czech Olomouc Region by providing integrated support services and capacity building for key stakeholders.

RePower the Regions focuses on enabling carbon-intensive regions in Central and Eastern Europe to transition to clean energy by developing inclusive local clean energy plans and building the capacity of local authorities.

LIFE JINAG EnU aims to accelerate energy-efficient renovations of municipal buildings in South Moravia by establishing a facilitation structure that addresses strategic, technical, legal and financial aspects.

HOMERENO One Stop Shop develops integrated services to motivate homeowners to renovate buildings and improve energy performance, particularly targeting lower-income households and engaging local construction professionals.

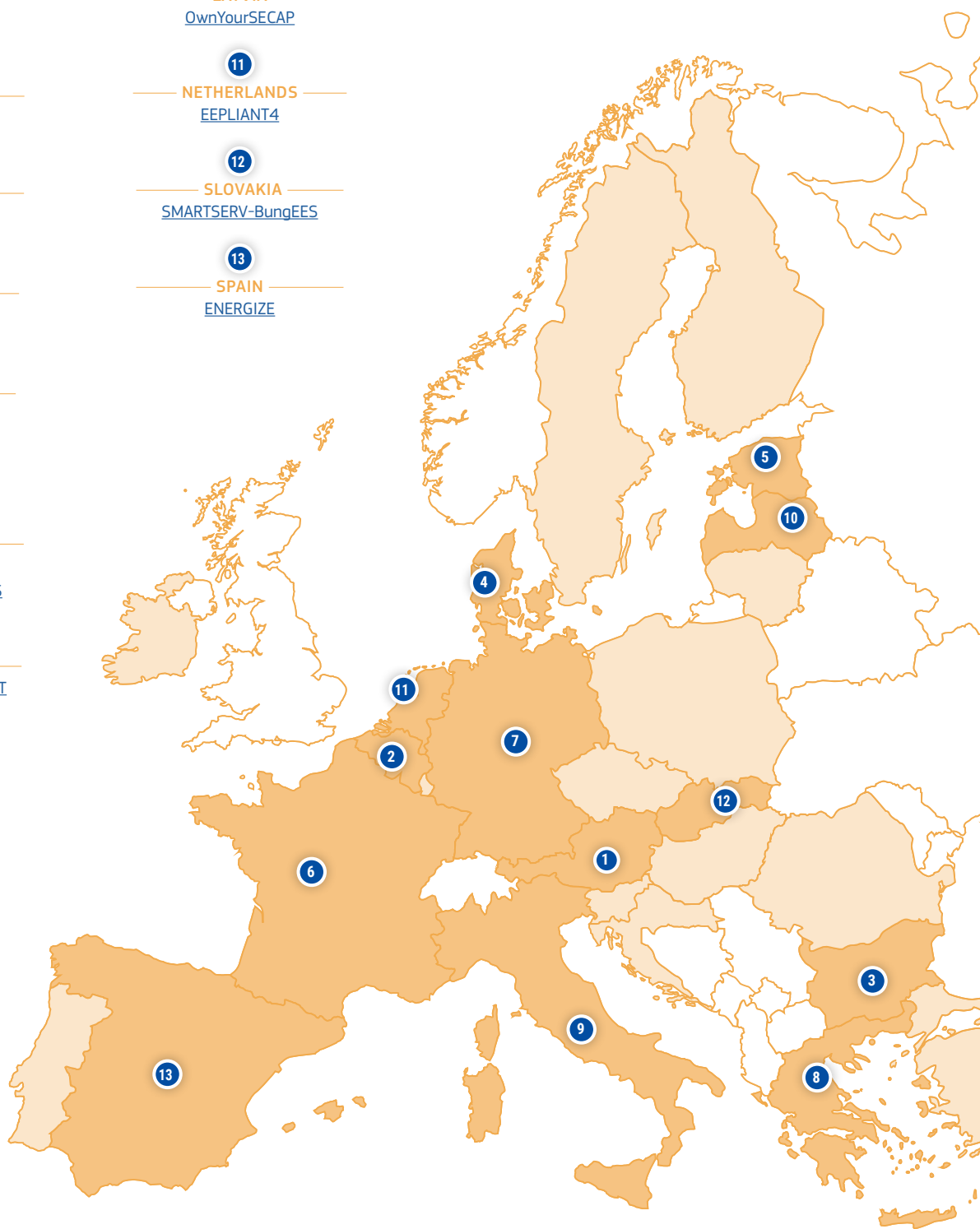


## Participants under the LIFE Clean Energy Transition sub-programme

Czech partners are also participating in 18 ongoing LIFE Clean Energy Transition projects in 13 other EU Member States.

**PARTICIPANT**  
in **18 ONGOING**  
**PROJECTS**

- 1 **AUSTRIA**  
[EPREL Services](#)  
[ComplianceServices](#)
- 2 **BELGIUM**  
[ENERCOM FACILITY](#)
- 3 **BULGARIA**  
[CET-DIVIRTUE](#)
- 4 **DENMARK**  
[CAEPBDG](#)
- 5 **ESTONIA**  
[CEESEU-DIGIT](#)
- 6 **FRANCE**  
[OCTOPUS](#)  
[EUFC-LIFE EUFC](#)  
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- 7 **GERMANY**  
[SEED MICAT](#)  
[MAINSTREAM-CONFESS](#)
- 8 **GREECE**  
[SMARTREADY-SRI-ENACT](#)
- 9 **ITALY**  
[ECOEMPOWER](#)  
[AUDIT2MEASURE](#)
- 10 **LATVIA**  
[OwnYourSECAP](#)
- 11 **NETHERLANDS**  
[EEPLIANT4](#)
- 12 **SLOVAKIA**  
[SMARTSERV-BungEES](#)
- 13 **SPAIN**  
[ENERGIZE](#)





## OTHER

This section includes NGO operating grants and Capacity Building (CAP) projects.

In addition to providing direct co-financing to projects, LIFE also provides operating grants that enable non-profit entities to raise awareness of environmental issues and contribute to policy-making by representing citizens' views.

These organisations facilitate dialogue with stakeholders and ensure public concerns on the environment and climate change are addressed, providing a democratic counter-balance to other interests.

> [More information](#) on this sub-programme

TOTAL INVESTMENT

2023-2024

€2.5 million



EU contribution

€1.8 million



## COORDINATOR of 3 ONGOING PROJECTS

**BWN** aims to transform public finance and environmental policies over a 3-year action plan by promoting zero-carbon, resource-efficient and biodiversity-rich economies aligned with the European Green Deal, through public participation, transparency and expert-led decision-making.

**J&E**, a network of environmental legal NGOs, works to enhance EU environmental law legislation and implementation, focusing on key issues including the Aarhus Convention and climate change, to promote sustainable development through legal advocacy and stakeholder engagement.

**LIFE FOR CZECHIA** seeks to improve Czechia's participation in the LIFE Programme by enhancing the National Contact Point's support capacity and increasing the quality and quantity of project applications for environmental and climate change initiatives from 2023 to 2025.

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#### ONGOING NATURE & BIODIVERSITY PROJECTS COORDINATED BY CZECH BENEFICIARIES

PROJECT TITLE	PROJECT REFERENCE	PROJECT ACRONYM	PROJECT DURATION
Complex ecological restoration of degraded and disappearing salt marshes in Moravian Pannonia	LIFE22-NAT-CZ-LIFE in Salt Marshes	<a href="#">LIFE in Salt Marshes</a>	01/08/2023 - 31/12/2029
Protect Species Actively by LIFE	LIFE22-IPN-CZ-PROSPECTIVE LIFE	<a href="#">PROSPECTIVE LIFE</a>	01/01/2024 - 31/12/2033
Protection of priority grassland habitats in the SCIs of the South Moravian Region	LIFE18 NAT/CZ/000832-LIFE SouthMoravia	<a href="#">LIFE SouthMoravia</a>	01/09/2019 - 31/12/2025



## ONGOING NATURE & BIODIVERSITY PROJECTS COORDINATED BY CZECH BENEFICIARIES

PROJECT TITLE	PROJECT REFERENCE	PROJECT ACRONYM	PROJECT DURATION
Integrated LIFE project for the Natura 2000 network in the Czech Republic	LIFE17 IPE/CZ/000005-LIFE-IP: N2K Revisited	<a href="#">LIFE-IP: N2K Revisited</a>	01/01/2019 - 31/12/2026
TRANS-BOUNDARY RESTORATION OF MIRES FOR BIODIVERSITY AND LANDSCAPE HYDROLOGY IN SUMAVA AND BAVARIAN FOREST	LIFE17 NAT/CZ/000452-LIFE for MIRES	<a href="#">LIFE for MIRES</a>	01/08/2018 - 31/12/2024

## ONGOING CIRCULAR ECONOMY & QUALITY OF LIFE PROJECTS COORDINATED BY CZECH BENEFICIARIES

PROJECT TITLE	PROJECT REFERENCE	PROJECT ACRONYM	PROJECT DURATION
Conservation of Natural Heritage for Life in Ukraine	LIFE23-PRE-CZ-ConNaturLIFE Ukraine	<a href="#">ConNaturLIFE Ukraine</a>	01/03/2024 - 28/02/2026
Water Resources Management in Visitor Attractions - FIT4USE Water Recirculation Technology	LIFE22-ENV-CZ-LIFE4ZOO	<a href="#">LIFE4ZOO</a>	01/09/2023 - 28/02/2027

## ONGOING CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION & ADAPTATION PROJECTS COORDINATED BY CZECH BENEFICIARIES

PROJECT TITLE	PROJECT REFERENCE	PROJECT ACRONYM	PROJECT DURATION
Green Agristructure for the Adaptation of the Agricultural Landscape – Landscape Elements and Their Integration into the Operation and Economy of Farms	LIFE23-CCA-CZ-Agristructure LIFE	<a href="#">Agristructure LIFE</a>	01/09/2024 - 28/02/2030
Technical assistance project for SIP LIFE COOLREGION	LIFE23-TAC-CZ-TA for IP COOLREGION	<a href="#">TA for IP COOLREGION</a>	01/04/2024 - 30/06/2025
LIFE ClimArchiBase – Climate Educational Platform for Experts in Architecture and Real Estate	LIFE22-GIC-CZ-LIFE ClimArchiBase	<a href="#">LIFE ClimArchiBase</a>	01/08/2023 - 31/07/2026
Climate Change Adaptation of Forests in the Brdy Highland	LIFE21-CCA-CZ-LIFE Adapt Brdy	<a href="#">LIFE Adapt Brdy</a>	01/01/2023 - 31/12/2027
LIFE Water in Landscape and Soil	LIFE21-CCA-CZ-LIFE WILL	<a href="#">LIFE WILL</a>	01/09/2022 - 31/08/2027
IP LIFE for Coal Mining Landscape Adaptation	LIFE20 IPC/CZ/000004-LIFE-IP COALA	<a href="#">LIFE-IP COALA</a>	01/12/2021 - 31/12/2031

## ONGOING CLEAN ENERGY TRANSITION PROJECTS COORDINATED BY CZECH BENEFICIARIES

PROJECT TITLE	PROJECT REFERENCE	PROJECT ACRONYM	PROJECT DURATION
Clean Energy Transition Assistance Centers	LIFE23-CET-CETAC	<a href="#">CETAC</a>	01/10/2024 - 30/09/2027
Streamlining Energy Savings Calculations in the EU Member States +	LIFE23-CET-streamSAVEplus	<a href="#">streamSAVEplus</a>	01/07/2024 - 30/06/2027
Energy Living Lab of the Olomouc Region	LIFE23-CET-LIFE LivingLab	<a href="#">LIFE LivingLab</a>	01/10/2024 - 30/09/2027
RePower the Regions: Ambitious and inclusive clean energy plans for repowering the just transition regions	LIFE22-CET-RePower the Regions	<a href="#">RePower the Regions</a>	01/10/2023 - 31/03/2026
JINAG Energy Unit - system support of the renovation wave in the South Moravian Region	LIFE22-CET-LIFE JINAG EnU	<a href="#">LIFE JINAG EnU</a>	01/12/2023 - 31/05/2027
One Stop Shop, comprehensive service motivating owners towards renovations of their properties	LIFE21-CET-HOMERENO-One Stop Shop	<a href="#">HOMERENO-One Stop Shop</a>	01/10/2022 - 30/09/2025

## OTHER ONGOING PROJECTS COORDINATED BY CZECH BENEFICIARIES

PROJECT TITLE	PROJECT REFERENCE	PROJECT SUMMARY	PROJECT DURATION
Bankwatch	LIFE23 NGO-CZ-BWN	<a href="#">BWN</a>	01/01/2024 - 31/12/2024
Justice and Environment Work Plan 2024	LIFE23 NGO-CZ-J&E	<a href="#">J&amp;E</a>	01/01/2024 - 31/12/2024
FUTURE for Czech LIFE	LIFE21-CAP-CZ-LIFE FOR CZECHIA	<a href="#">LIFE FOR CZECHIA</a>	01/01/2023 - 31/12/2025

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Under 'Focus 2023-2024' section covering all sub-programmes, the EU contribution to both project coordinators and participants include projects started between the 1 January 2023 and 31 October 2024.

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