

# Priority 3 explained

3<sup>rd</sup> Call for Projects 17<sup>th</sup> April – 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Online session, 14:00 - 15:00 Thursday 27th April

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# Welcome

- Briefly about the Interreg Northern Periphery and Arctic programme
- How does Interreg NPA work?
- What topics can you work on?
- How do you know if your idea is a good fit?
- Where to get guidance and more information
- When are the next opportunities to get involved

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# Interreg NPA in short

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# PROGRAMME AREA

## Participating countries

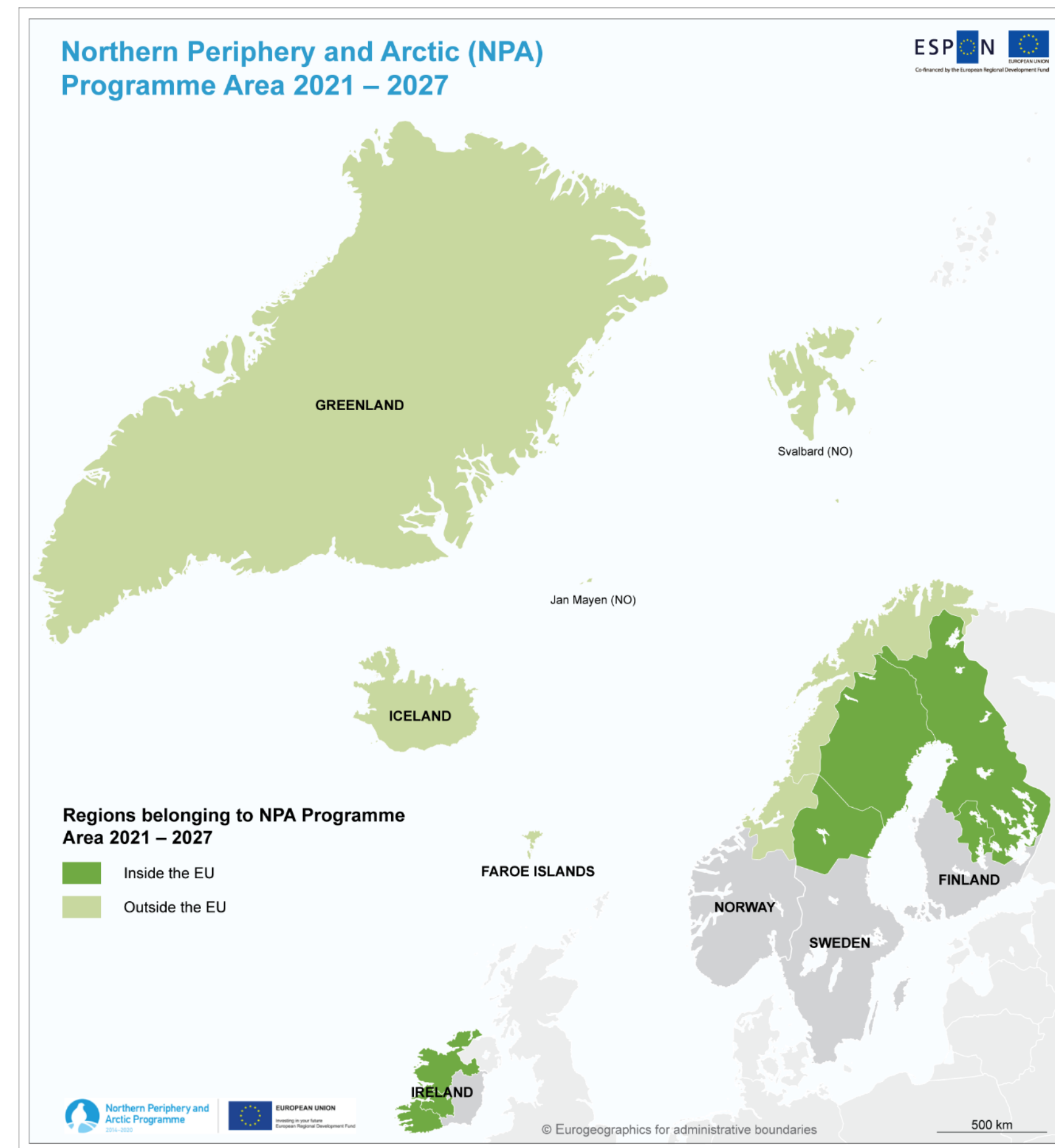
- Faroe Islands
- Finland
- Greenland
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Norway
- Sweden

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# PROGRAMME STRATEGY

Similarities between the participating regions as well as common challenges and shared opportunities offer a strong basis for cooperation.

Cooperation enables communities to work together and find innovative solutions to become more prosperous and resilient.

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# FINANCING AND IMPLEMENTATION

Total budget for projects

**46,8**  
Mln Eur

**40**  
mIn EUR for EU partners

**6,8**  
mIn EUR for Non-EU partners

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# How does it work?

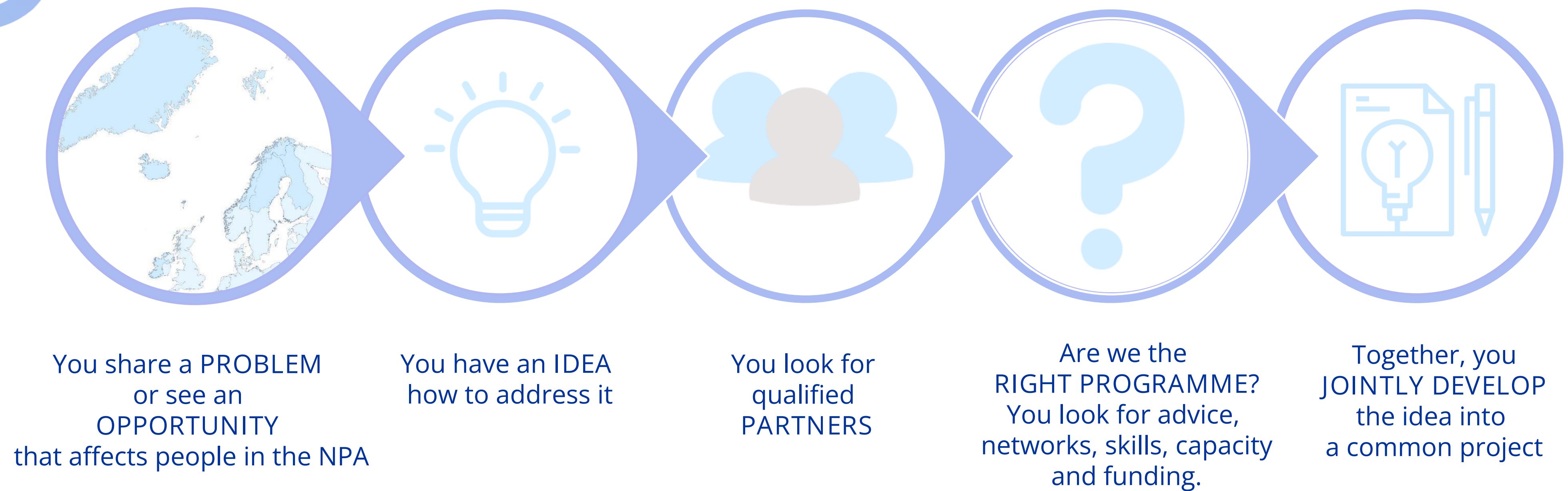
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# From an idea to a project



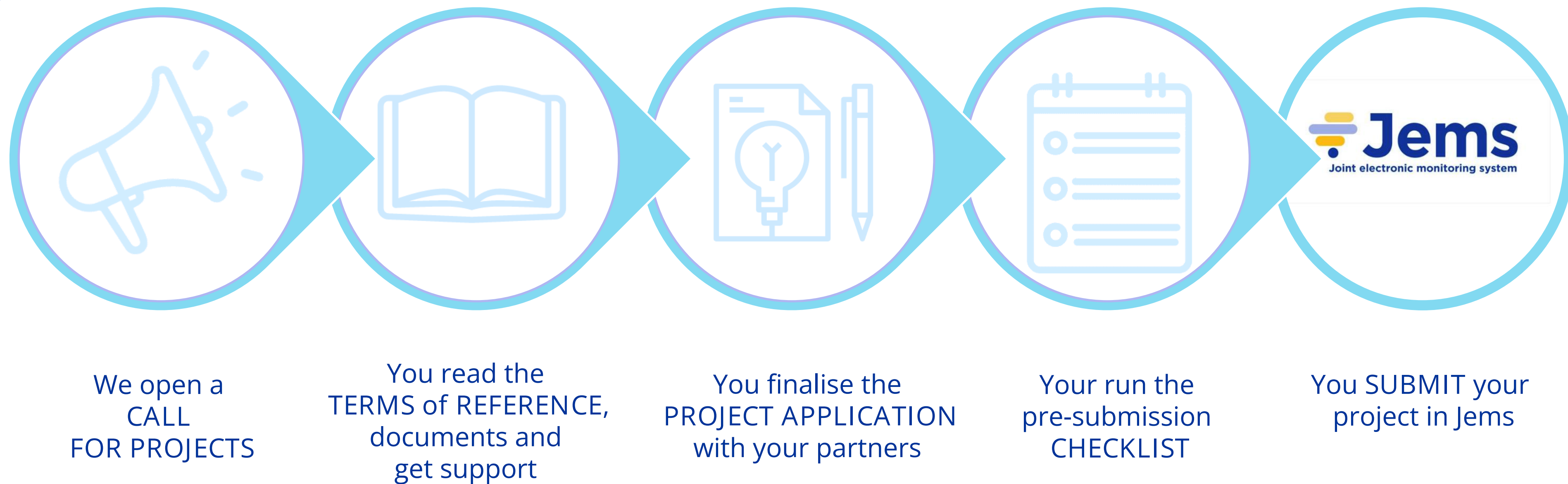
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# How to apply for funding



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# What happens next



Congratulations!  
Your project is  
APPROVED

You JOINTLY carry out  
your project and  
ENGAGE with  
your target groups

You deliver the  
SOLUTION you  
had planned

Your solution is  
PUT INTO USE

Together, you  
are having an  
IMPACT

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# What topics can you work on?

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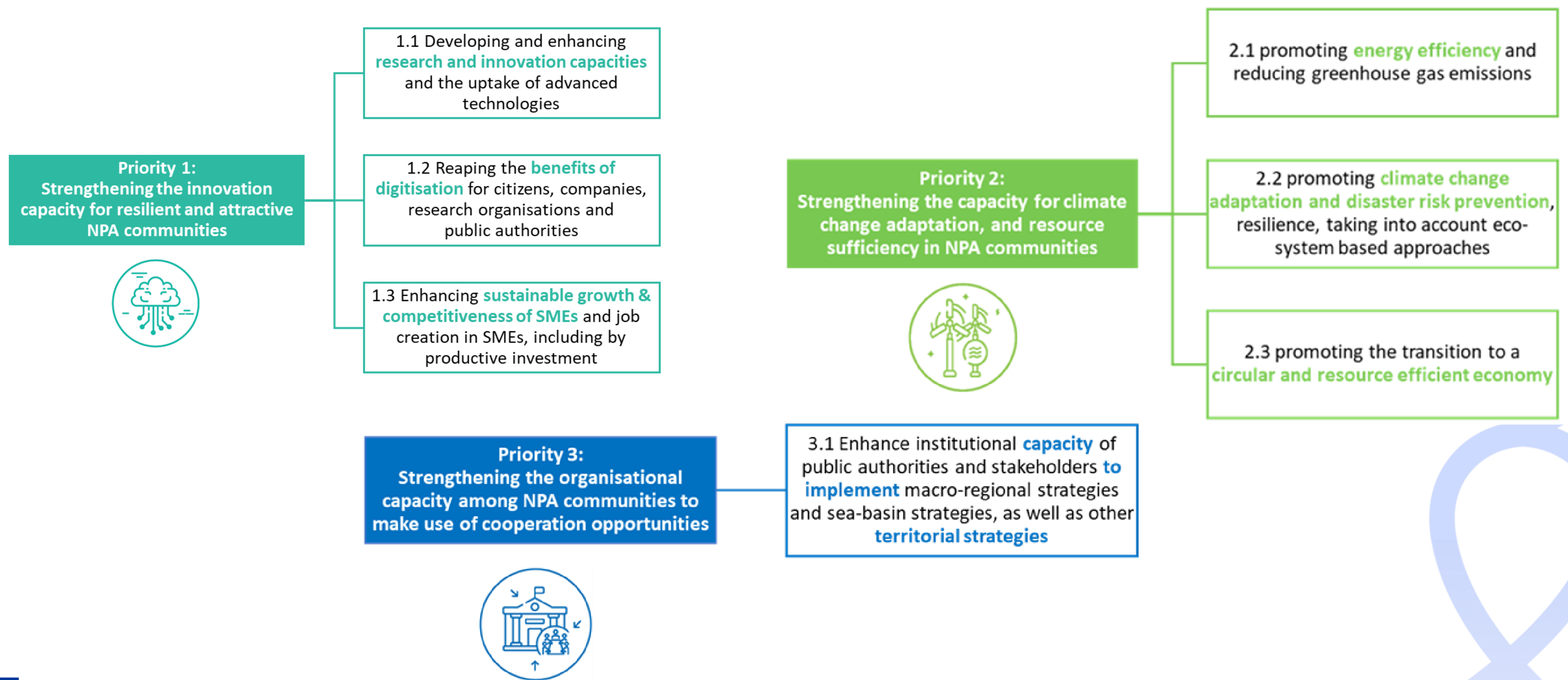


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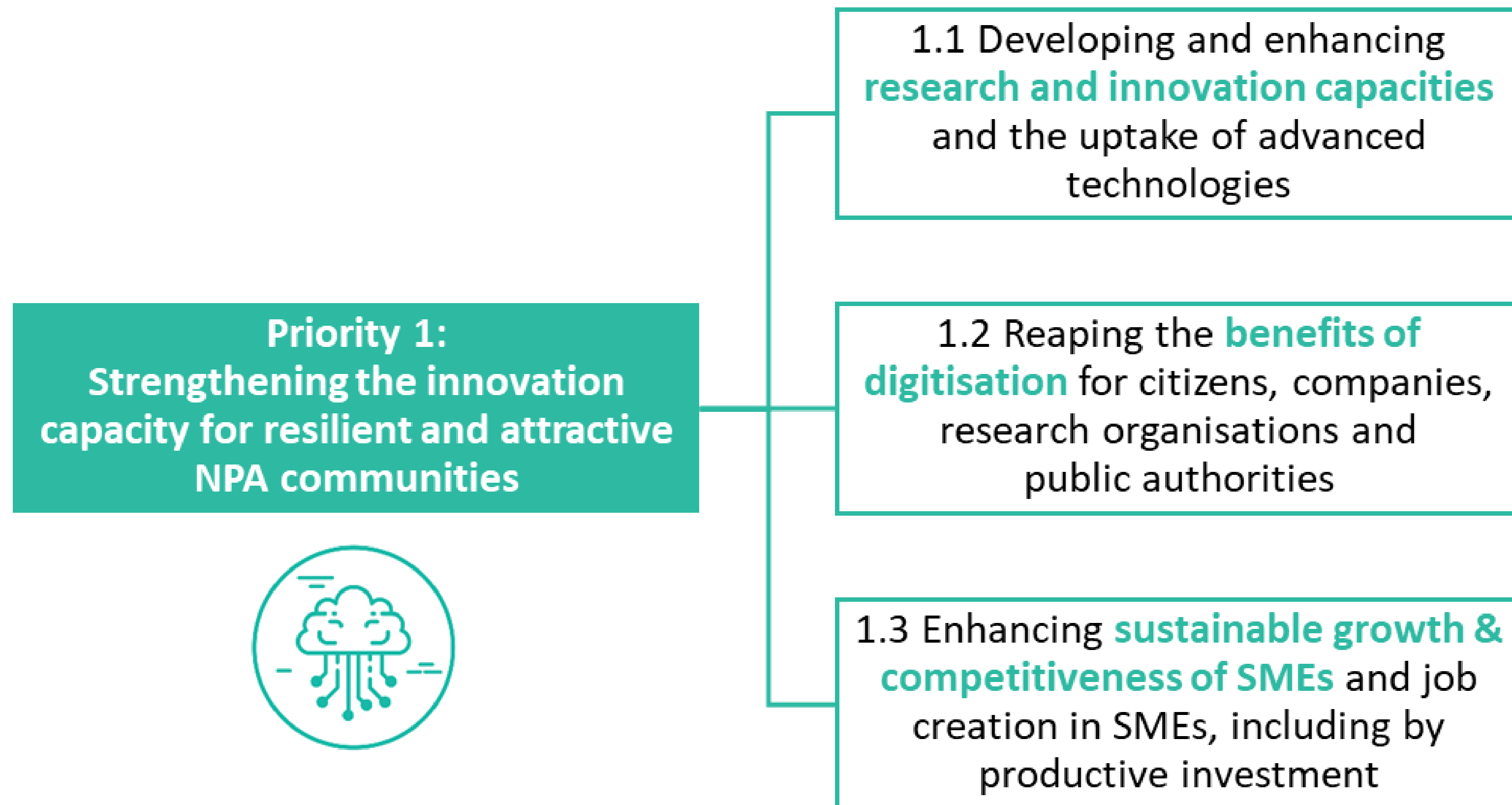
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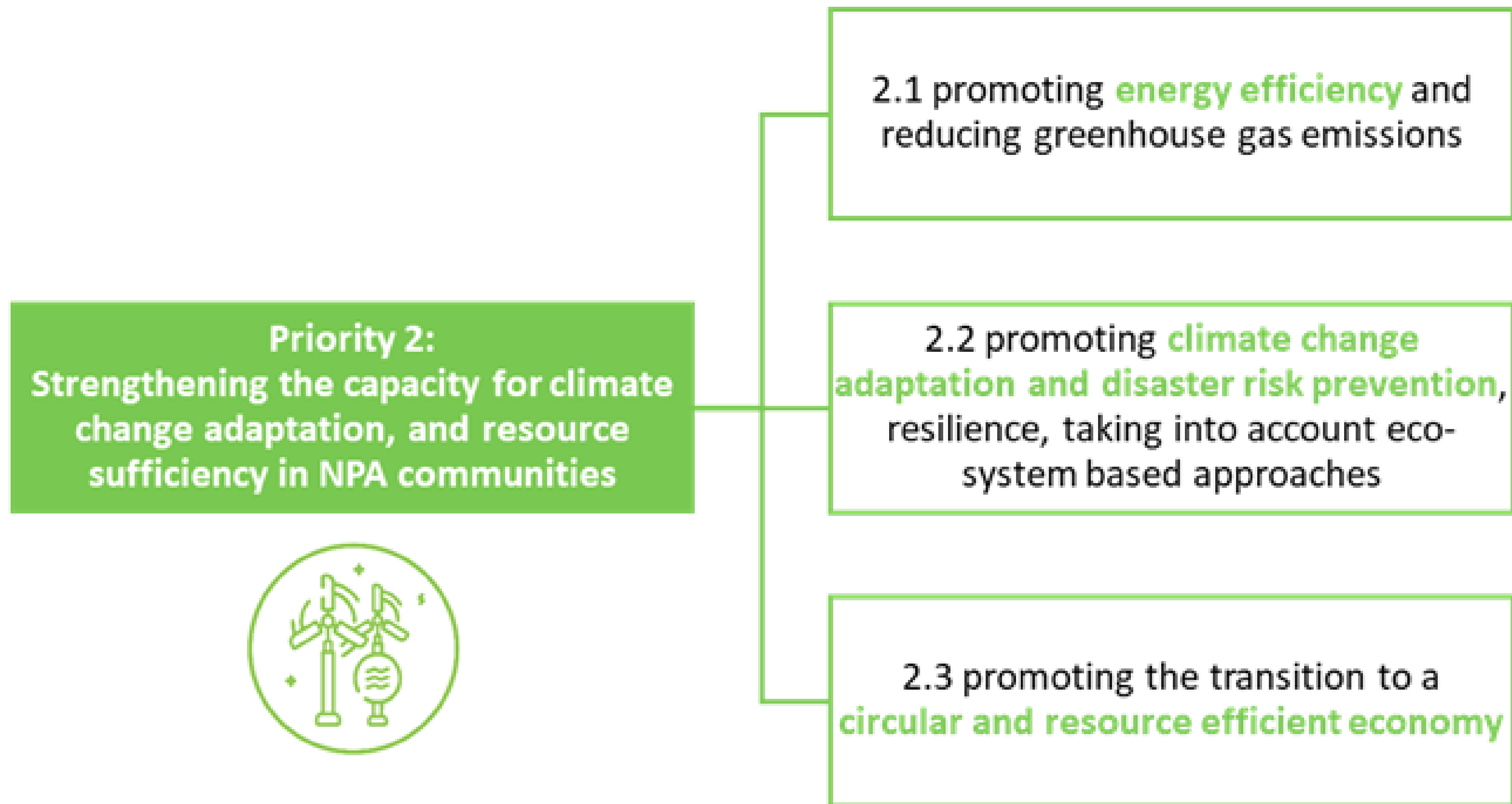
# Priorities



# Innovation capacity



# Climate change and resource sufficiency



# Cooperation opportunities

**Priority 3:**  
**Strengthening the organisational  
capacity among NPA communities to  
make use of cooperation opportunities**

3.1 Enhance institutional **capacity** of  
public authorities and stakeholders **to  
implement** macro-regional strategies  
and sea-basin strategies, as well as other  
**territorial strategies**



# Thematic focus of Priority 3



1. Increase preparedness and resilience of NPA communities
2. Preserve and experience the unique heritage of the NPA regions
3. Increase the wellbeing of people living in the NPA regions
4. Attract skills and talents needed in the NPA regions
5. Enable youth to shape the NPA regions

# Target groups of Priority 3



1. **RESILIENCE**: Municipalities and networks of municipalities
2. **HERITAGE**: Networks of Sámi and Inuit communities
3. **WELLBEING**: Underrepresented groups such as young people, vulnerable people, and indigenous communities
4. **TALENTS**: Broad involvement of different stakeholders is expected
5. **YOUTH**: Youth organisations, and organisations working with youth engagement
6. ...and more

# Purpose



Building the capacity to engage stakeholders in cooperation, based on local knowledge, supporting them to implement strategies for Northern Periphery and Arctic regions

## ACTIVITIES

Building organizational capacity; building know-how, shared experience; developing/implementing shared strategies; strategy coordination; commissioning studies or data to better understand cooperation opportunities and challenges; empowering local communities; and improving communication.



## DELIVERABLES

Studies, networks, strategies or action plans developed jointly, jointly develop solutions.

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# Indicators

CHECK: Cooperation programme document + Programme Manual

## OUTPUTS

- Strategies...
- Pilots...



## RESULTS

...taken up  
...up-scaled



How do you know if  
your idea is a good fit?



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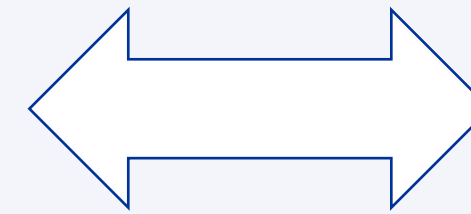
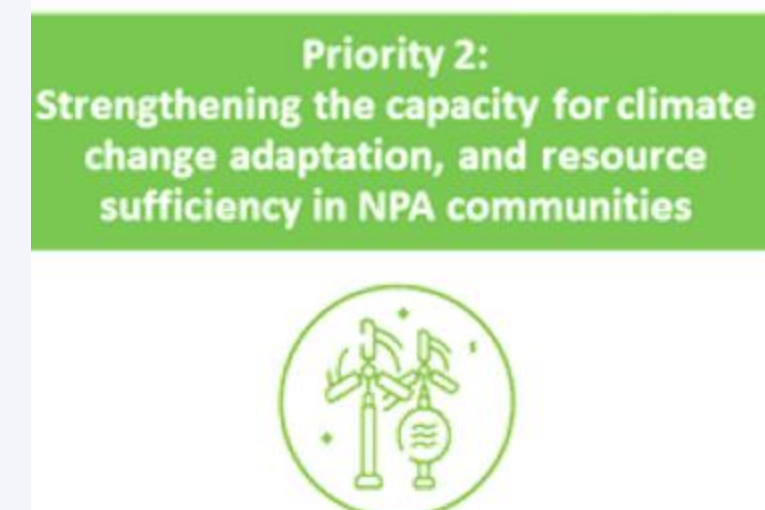


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# Project relevance

## MAIN PROJECTS



## SMALL SCALE



GOOD FIT WITH THE PRIORITY THEMES AND TYPES OF ACTIONS

# Aim of projects

## MAIN PROJECTS

Priority 1:  
Strengthening the innovation  
capacity for resilient and attractive  
NPA communities



Priority 2:  
Strengthening the capacity for climate  
change adaptation, and resource  
sufficiency in NPA communities



DEVELOPMENT OF SOLUTIONS

## SMALL SCALE

Priority 3:  
Strengthening the organisational  
capacity among NPA communities to  
make use of cooperation opportunities



CAPACITY BUILDING  
STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT  
BASED ON LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

# Types of projects

## MAIN PROJECTS

Priority 1:  
Strengthening the innovation  
capacity for resilient and attractive  
NPA communities



Priority 2:  
Strengthening the capacity for climate  
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36 months  
Average 1.500.000 Euro  
Real cost reimbursement

## SMALL SCALE

Priority 3:  
Strengthening the organisational  
capacity among NPA communities to  
make use of cooperation opportunities



18 months  
Up to 200.000 Euro  
Lump sum

# Size of projects

MINIMUM

3

PARTNERS  
from programme  
partner countries

FROM

2

ZONES  
of the programme

AT LEAST

1

from an  
EU MEMBER STATE

The Lead Partner must be a  
**PUBLIC ORGANISATION**

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# Where to get guidance and more information?



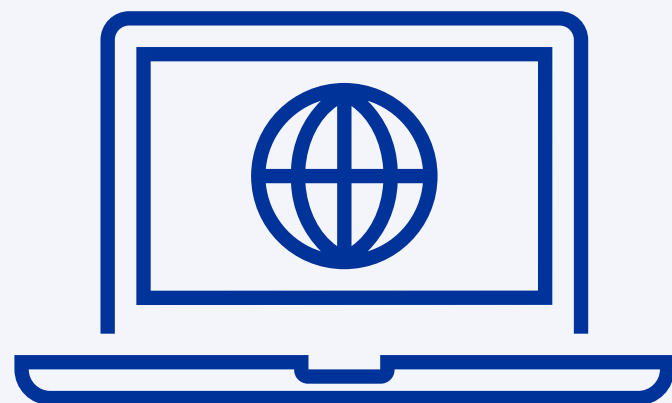
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# Programme documents and RCPs



DEDICATED  
CALL WEBPAGE



REGIONAL  
CONTACT POINT



JOINT  
SECRETARIAT

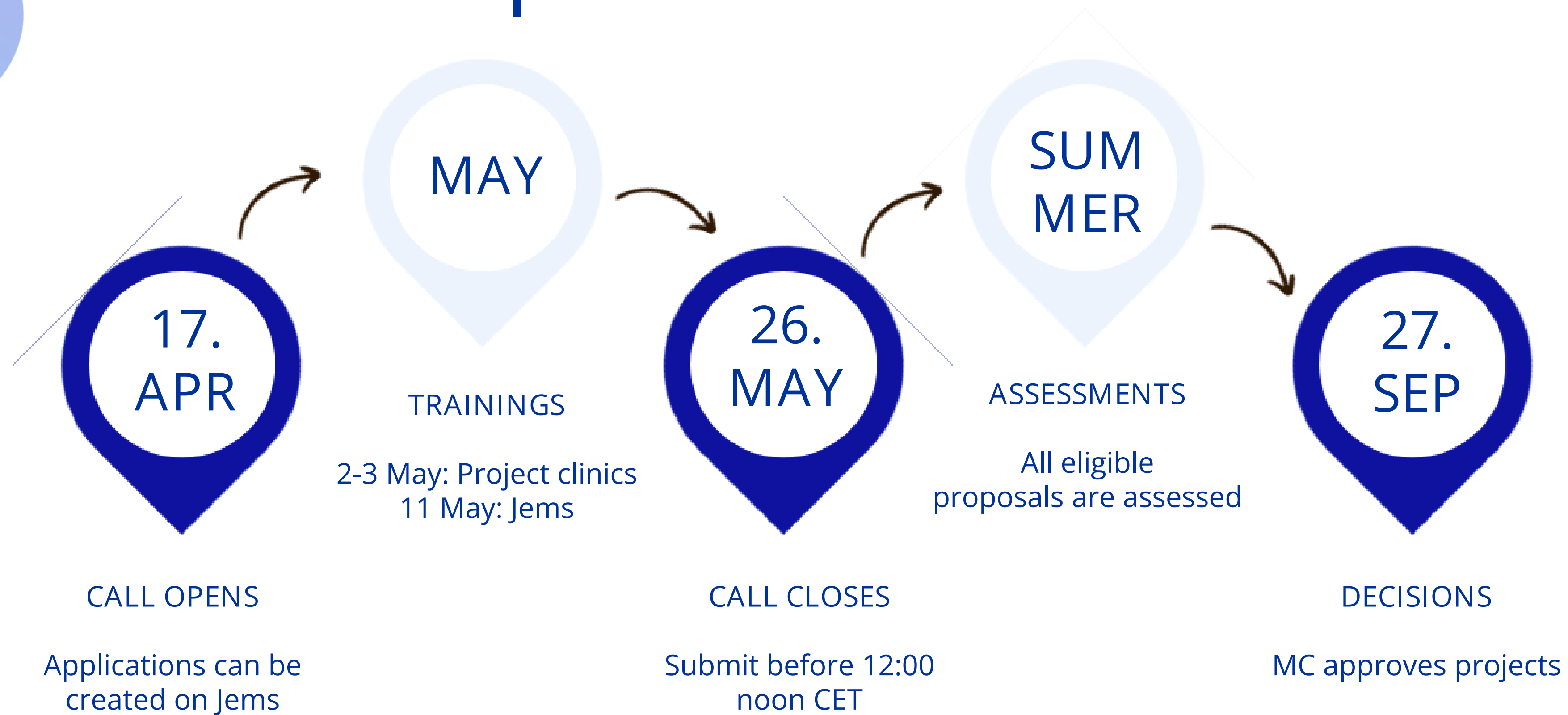
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# Call 3 important dates





# When are the next opportunities to be involved?

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# Upcoming calls

- Autumn preparatory call is planned to be launched August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 and closed on September 23<sup>rd</sup>, and decisions on November 30<sup>th</sup>
- 4th Main project call is planned to be launched October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and closed November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 with decisions in March 2024
- Visit NPA website: <https://www.interreg-npa.eu/news/>



# Thank you for listening!

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