

Project leader guide

Mandate 2024-2028



Let's light up *the future*

Our areas of operation

The EDF Group Foundation takes action to build a more sustainable and just world. At a time when too many people are struggling to find their place in a society that needs all the talents to succeed in its ecological and social transition, the Foundation takes action for equal opportunities. It opens doors for those who want to empower themselves and helps them unleash their potential

Education and training, a lever for integration and action

It invests in education and training to support the individual career paths of young people and adults in difficulty.

In a systemic approach, these projects that combine ecological and social transition contribute to:

- Equal opportunities for young people: acquiring fundamental skills, staying engaged in school and university, making informed educational and career choices, developing competencies, fostering citizenship...
- The integration of vulnerable adults: re-engagement, removing barriers to employability, training, and building a professional pathway...
- The development of eco-citizenship as a lever for inclusion and education: support for education on sustainable development (for young people, adults, teachers, beneficiaries, and actors in the nonprofit sector), training for professions linked to the ecological transition...

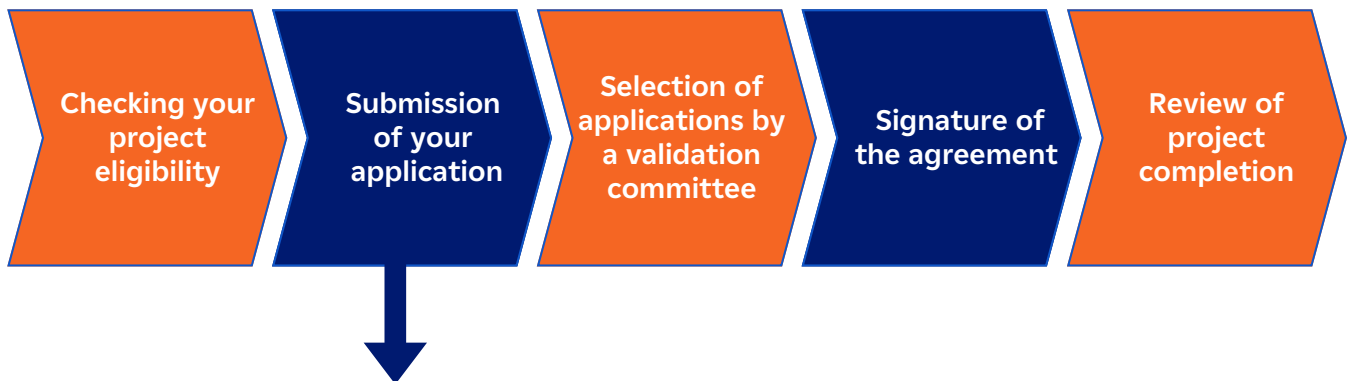
Internationally, it also supports projects that provide access to electricity and water for infrastructures that improve educational conditions and promote professional integration.

Everywhere, it encourages EDF Group employees to get involved alongside nonprofit organizations.

Culture, to build together

Because our societies, which are exposed to the risks of climate change, are being weakened by the polarisation of opinions, the Foundation acts to develop dialogue and critical thinking. Through its cultural program, it offers free access to all audiences, and especially to school groups and beneficiaries of nonprofit organizations, inviting them to engage in collective reflection on social issues to foster better living together: contemporary art exhibitions, a dance season, and events.

Project schedule



- Via the Foundation's website (fondation.edf.com) for international and regional projects
- By email for France-wide national applications (fondation-edf@edf.fr)

Is my project *eligible* ?

My organisation must:

- be eligible for charitable giving under French law,
- have its registered office in France or Europe for international projects
- have a minimum of 2 years of existence, except in specific cases (such as belonging to a network of associations already supported by the Foundation)
- if the project is carried out in mainland France, have annual resources exceeding 100,000 euros
- be non-political and non-religious.

My project should:

- fall within the fields of inclusion through education and training, and eco-citizen action
- carry out a collective initiative
- have a measurable impact
- not have any religious, denominational, or political character
- be based on a transparent, ethical, and respectful relationship with its beneficiaries
- be part of a co-funding approach with one or several partner organizations
- for an international project, be implemented in one of the Foundation's intervention countries: South Africa, Brazil, Cameroon, Colombia, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Morocco, Mozambique, Laos, Peru.

Caution, the EDF Group Foundation does not finance:

Organisations and their investment expenses, individual projects (scholarships, studies, travel, etc.) or for the benefit of a restricted number of people, events (shows, festivals, galas, conferences, concerts, sporting events), film making and promotional items, and class or group trips or school outings, access to sports or culture without an associated educational or training component.

Application process *for a project in France*

The Foundation supports projects at both the national and regional levels, in mainland France as well as in the French overseas territories. Two application procedures apply:

National Sponsorship

National sponsorship concerns a limited number of projects for which the total amount of support requested (annual or multi-year) **exceeds €50,000**.

The evaluation of national projects follows a **specific procedure**:

send a presentation of your project to fondation-edf@edf.fr, specifying in the subject line: “MECENAT France – national project”.

Territorial Sponsorship

In territorial sponsorship, **the total amount that may be granted to a project over its entire duration is €50,000**.

Requests for support must be submitted exclusively through the Foundation’s website: fondation.edf.com.

If you wish to submit the same project in multiple regions, duplicate your application and adapt the elements specific to each region: needs assessment, number of beneficiaries, deployment city(ies), implementation schedule, regionalized budget, etc.

Projects must comply with the timeline and specific scope of each region, as indicated on the Foundation’s website.

The quality of the information provided on the platform is a key factor in the pre-selection of your application.



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Documents to be provided

Step 1: Eligibility and administrative compliance of my organisation

- Articles of Association signed and dated
- Publication in the Journal Officiel
- Registration document certifying legal status
- Minutes of the last General Meeting or the Board of Directors
- Bank details/IBAN dated and signed with the address of the corporate headquarters of the organisation
- Certificate of eligibility for charitable giving under French law (declaration of public utility, tax ruling, sworn certificate)

Step 2: financial informations

- Detailed statement for the last financial year ended for which the accounts have been closed
- Detailed budget for the current year (expenses/income, including a costed estimate of expected voluntary contributions in kind)
- Full report of the Statutory Auditor (where available)
- Or the balance sheet and profit and loss account with its appendices (if the organisation has them)
- Or the expenditure account and the last three bank statements
- Operating and investment budget for organisations with public accounts

Other documents

- To complete your file, you can attach an impact analysis, statistical studies, testimonials, press articles, etc.
- As part of the evaluation process, the project leader will be asked to complete an Ethics and Compliance declaration.



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Application process for a project implemented internationally

The project must be implemented in one or several countries where the Foundation operates:

Africa: Morocco, Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Mozambique, South Africa, Madagascar

Latin America: Peru, Colombia, Brazil

Asia: Laos

The financial support granted by the Foundation cannot exceed 50% of the project's total budget. One or more co-funders are therefore required (own funds, other donors, etc.). The minimum amount of support provided by the Foundation is €10,000.

In addition to financial support, the Foundation may also offer, free of charge, the contribution of EDF Group employees' skills for short-term missions defined according to the project's needs.

Process:

1. Project submission:

Projects may be submitted throughout the year (there is no call for proposals).

2. Evaluation: After reviewing the application, if it is shortlisted, the project will be subject to a preliminary field visit by the Foundation's teams. The time between receipt of your application and the visit may be lengthy due to the high number of projects to be reviewed and logistical constraints.

3. Validation

 the selected projects are reviewed by two decision-making bodies:

- for support below €100k: in April and November
- for support above €100k: in January, June, and October

Support above €100k applies to a very limited number of projects (less than 10% of supported projects).



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Step 2: Proposed activities, expected outcomes, and project budget

- Description of your project
- Local partner
- Relationship with the local organization (agreement/partnership)
- Beneficiaries
- Project budget
- Timeline
- Impact / expected results / indicators

You may attach an impact analysis, statistical studies, testimonials, or press articles to complete your application.

After the preliminary field visit, and only if the project is selected to proceed to the decision-making committee, the Foundation team will grant you access to Step 3.

Étape 3: financial informations

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Good to know

Applications for projects in France must follow a specific schedule indicated on the Foundation's website.

For international projects, applications may be submitted throughout the year.

You can place the procedure on hold on the platform using the "draft" function. This allows you to return to your application without having to open a new one for the same project.

Don't forget to click "Validate and submit" at the end of each step.

All application submissions, follow-up, and exchanges regarding the project are carried out exclusively through the messaging system available in your account.

Make sure to keep your login credentials, as the project will be managed on the platform throughout the entire support period (electronic signature of the agreement, submission of reports, etc.).

If the contact person holding the login credentials changes, the Foundation's team must be notified to grant the successor access to the file (linked to a unique, nominative email address).

For any additional information, feel free to contact us:
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