

We, at the Intermunicipal Community of Ave, are looking for a possible cooperation within the LIFE 2021 Program, in the following calls:

[LIFE-2021-CET-LOCAL - Technical support to clean energy transition plans and strategies in municipalities and regions](#)

[LIFE-2021-SAP-CLIMA-CCA - Climate Change Adaptation](#)

[LIFE-2021-CET-GOV - Multilevel climate and energy dialogue to deliver the energy governance](#)

[LIFE-2021-CET-HOMERECOM - EU community of "Integrated Home Renovation Services" practitioners](#)

The Intermunicipal Community of Ave is a Public regional association of municipalities located in the north of Portugal, that aims the realization of common interests of its municipalities.

CIM AVE is a Level III NUT (Nomenclature of Territorial Units) with eight municipalities (Vila Nova de Famalicão, Vizela, Guimarães, Póvoa de Lanhoso, Fafe, Vieira do Minho, Cabeceiras de Basto and Mondim de Basto), with a total resident population of 418 586 inhabitants (year of reference: 2021).

It's a region composed by municipalities with a strong urban-industrial character and others, located in the north and east of the region, more rural (both the landscape and the economy). CIM AVE's objectives comprise the promotion and management of the economic, social and environmental strategy of the territory; Coordination of inter municipal investments of common interest, participation in the management of programs to support regional development ; Promote cross-border, transnational and interregional cooperation; Planning the public entities activities that have a Intermunicipal approach.

The Intermunicipal Community of AVE, under the national framework for EU funds management and the contract with the Commission for Coordination and Regional Development of the North, has an important role in the management of structural funds for the municipalities of Ave region. CIM AVE plays a major part in the regional development of the region. CIM has been dedicated to projects such as the improvement of the schools in the region, the improvement of road infrastructures, rural development and nature tourism, entrepreneurship and economic development, information technology and civil protection, among others. The CIM do AVE, as an entity that, among others, aims to promote and manage the strategy of economic, social and environmental planning, is motivated to research and development projects that can stimulate the region.

CIM AVE currently integrates RURENER, a European network of rural communities engaged in the energy transition, whose associates may also be eligible partners for a possible consortium.

We have extensive experience in developing EU level cooperation projects, as shown in the following list of projects in which we have participated:

INTERREG III C – Project PAGUS – R.F.O. – Regional Coordinator

INTERREG III C – Project REDETRAL.

INTERREG III C – Project BIOLOGICA

INTERREG IV C – Project PLUS TEX

SUDOE – Project ADAPTACLIMA

SUDOE – Project APSAT

SUDOE – Project COLEOPTER

INTERREG III A – Cross Border Cooperation - Project CASTRENOR

FEDER - QREN - ON2 – Rota do Património Industrial do Ave

Lifelong Learning Programme - Leonardo da Vinci – EUROSILLS

ERASMUS+ ACTION 1 – Educação e Formação Profissional - Project AVE PLUS

INTERREG EUROPE – Project CHRISTA

INTERREG EUROPE – Project RURAL SME's

INTERREG POCTEP – Project LIDERA

We kindly ask you to release of our profile and intentions through your network of contacts that you may find interested in collaborating in a possible project.  
Thank you in advance for your attention and cooperation in the matter.

Best regards,  
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