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Press release

Samim launches its 2nd call for projects for more sustainable towns and communities.

For civil society organisations in Mauritania, Morocco, Tunisia and Jordan.

The Samim project is a Mediterranean support and capacity-building project for civil society organisations (CSOs), financed by the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) and implemented by Lab'ess in partnership with PULSE and 4 Support Structures (SS), including Ecodev in Mauritania, Bidaya in Morocco, TCSE in Tunisia and JYIF in Jordan.

Samim is launching its 2nd call for projects (C4P) targeting CSOs, which will be implemented locally by the 4 SS in the 4 intervention countries, for **more sustainable towns and communities** and specifically around the following sub-themes:

- Waste management
- Circular economy
- Sustainable mobility
- Responsible consumption
- Eco-urbanism
- Urban agriculture in the broadest sense
- Sustainable food
- Sustainable tourism
- Housing and energy transition
- Social and civic innovations

Following this call, 30 CSOs proposing innovative initiatives in **Nouakchott, Casablanca and Mohammadia, Tunis and Amman** will benefit from financial support of **between €30,000** and **€34,000** and technical support aimed at strengthening the structure of the CSOs and helping them to manage their initiatives.

The call opens on December 1st and closes on December 31st 2023 jointly in the 4 partner countries of Mauritania, Morocco, Tunisia and Jordan.

For whom?

This Call for Proposals is aimed at young civil society organisations wishing to set up projects to meet the various challenges that cities have to face if they are to be more accessible, livable and resilient to climate change.





What are the benefits?

- Participe in a bootcamp to learn project development techniques and refine the project's value proposition
- Benefit from technical support aimed at strengthening CSOs' structuring and supporting the management of initiatives
- Benefit from grants ranging from €30,000 to €34,000
- Join a regional network and exchange with peers working for more sustainable cities and communities in the region
- Gain visibility

What are the general characteristics of the required projects?

- Developing more sustainable cities and communities
- Have a socio-economic impact within the intervention areas
- Piloted in an area marked by geographical inequality
- Offering an innovative and creative solution
- Ensuring a positive environmental or social impact by integrating youth and women
- Sensitive to gender and social inclusion dynamics
- Developed in the cities of Nouakchott, Casablanca & Mohammadia, Tunis and Amman.
- Planned for an implementation period of maximum 1 year
- Demonstrating an adequate sustainability strategy

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The Laboratoire de l'Economie Sociale et Solidaire (Lab'ess) is a social innovation space dedicated to the creation and development of SSE players in Tunisia. Focused on the emergence of social entrepreneurs and associations with a social and environmental impact, the Lab'ess is defined as a collaborative incubator aimed at creating a favourable environment for entrepreneurship, innovation and sharing. <u>www.labess.tn</u>

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Ecodev is a Mauritanian association founded in 2000. Its mission is to help improve the living conditions of the Mauritanian people through participation and involvement in all initiatives targeting vulnerable and marginalised groups. Ecodev works to strengthen and support the targets of its interventions towards socio-economic empowerment.

Bidaya is an association established under Moroccan law in 2015. Its mission is to promote and support players in the field of social and environmental change in Morocco and to work towards a more inclusive society. More specifically, the aim of the Bidaya incubator is to provide support for holders of projects with a positive and innovative impact and to promote the social, environmental and solidarity economy throughout Morocco and Africa.

TCSE is an association established under Tunisian law in 2012, whose mission is to create an ecosystem conducive to social entrepreneurship and innovation. TCSE offers innovative and sustainable solutions to economic and social problems using an inclusive, holistic and systemic approach that aims to reach all stakeholders and all levels of intervention.

JYIF is an association established under Jordanian law in 2007. Its mission is to empower young people to become equal partners in the economic and social development process through programmes tailored to the needs of young people and driven by young people. JYIF works to increase the employability of young people and facilitate entrepreneurial opportunities, to enable young people to participate in public life and decision-making, and to encourage active citizenship and collaboration in the youth work ecosystem.

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