



Alps-Adriatic-Alliance: Call for applications from July 1st to September 30th 2026

Međimurje County/Croatia has put its 2026-2027 Presidency in the Alps-Adriatic-Alliance under the motto

“Strengthening European Regional Cooperation, Competitiveness and Territorial Resilience”

And under this motto, the Alps-Adriatic-Alliance is happy to invite you to the 2026 call for applications!

In the first year of its presidency, Međimurje County first and foremost intends to further strengthen the role of the Alps-Adriatic-Alliance as a network of interregional cooperation at the European level.

At best, reaching this goal should be supported on the project level by handing in applications which support

- the shaping of cooperation across Europe’s Alpe-Adriatic area
- advancing regional dialogue through thematic events (conferences, forums, workshops, etc.)
- boosting the network’s visibility and regional outreach

The overall funding amount available for this call will be € 70.000.

Depending on the points achieved in the evaluation and the thematic relevance the successful projects will be funded with € 2.000,- minimum and € 8.000,- maximum while the funding amount must never exceed 40% of the project’s total costs.

**The call starts on Wednesday, July 1st and closes on Wednesday,
September 30th 2026!**

Again, this call will again favor joint projects which strengthen the AAA-network, promote the visibility of the Alps-Adriatic area as one of Europe’s most diverse

geographical spaces, and meet the goals of the Alps-Adriatic Strategy “SAA-2027” (see pp. 59/60 of “SAA – 2027”).

The respective Thematic Coordination Point (TCP) and the General Secretariat will gladly support you with information and an extensive network in every step of your application.

Please make sure to **contact** the Thematic Coordination Point (TCP) that is relevant to the nature of your project theme **before** handing in your application! The General Secretariat is also gladly at your service, regarding all questions possible. You will find the contacts here: <https://alps-adriatic-alliance.org/contact/>

Please make sure that your project proposal meets the following selection criteria:

- Projects financed by the AAA must involve the absolute **minimum** of three regular members of the AAA from three different countries.
- The applications eligible for funding will be ranked according to the number of AAA members and, respectively, neighboring regions participating in the project.
- All members of the AAA **must** have the opportunity to be part of the project.
- The **role** of each partner has to be described in the application.
- The expected **added value** of the project for the entire AAA must be clearly described in the application form and is subject to evaluation after the project is completed.
- The general **outreach** of the project (participants, possible visitors, expected media reception, printed and/or online publication of results, etc.) is essential.
- All projects must support the Priority “Strengthen Community Cohesion”, as defined in the Alps-Adriatic Strategy “SAA-2027” (see pp. 59/60 of “SAA – 2027”) and should meet the priorities of the AAA’s work plan for 2026 and 2027 (see attachment).

Please send your application form to the General Secretariat by Wednesday, September 30th 2026, 23:59 via e-mail to alpeadria@ktn.gv.at