

Blue Carbon Facility



The Blue Carbon Facility is a financing mechanism launched by AFD with the support of the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEAE), aimed at protecting and restoring blue carbon ecosystems through pilot projects in partner countries.

It contributes to France's commitments on climate, biodiversity and green finance.

The FCB has a budget of €6 million over 4 years (2024–2028).



Objectives

- Protect and restore coastal ecosystems by supporting pilot projects.
- Testing innovative financing mechanisms (carbon, payments for ecosystem services).
- Strengthen scientific knowledge (mapping, monitoring, carbon estimation),
- Support the integration of blue carbon in public policies, and supports local actors.
- Mobilize sustainable financing and disseminate results to strengthen advocacy for equitable blue finance.



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Beneficiaries

- NGO
- scientific institutions
- local authorities
- sectoral ministries
- technical partners
- local communities.

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Characteristics

Type of funding: grant

Currency: Euro (EUR)

Amounts per project:

- Studies: ~100,000 €
- Technical assistance: ~500,000 €
- Pilot projects: ~600,000 to 750,000 €

Targeted themes:

- Field actions on the restoration of coastal ecosystems
- Development of carbon finance or payments for ecosystem services
- Strengthening public policies and institutional capacities
- Scientific research and dissemination of results

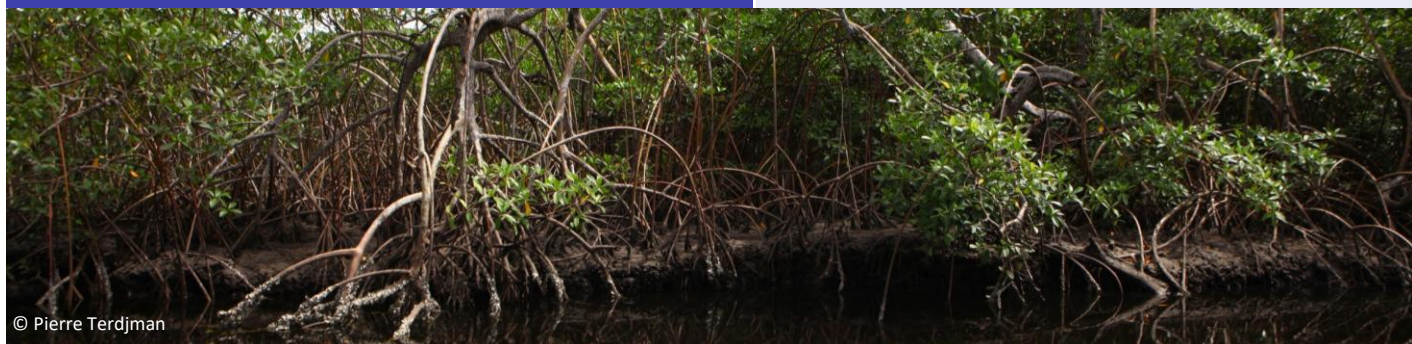


Illustration

Costa Rica (700K EUR): Development of a blue carbon project in the Gulf of Nicoya combining mangrove restoration, measurement of stored carbon, and structuring of a carbon credit mechanism with local communities. This project aims to generate sustainable income while strengthening coastal resilience.



Tunisia (500K EUR): Support for the integrated governance of coastal wetlands through the support to a consortium including WWF, BlueSeeds and OFB to improve the management of protected areas, strengthen the capacities of local authorities, and integrate blue carbon into national climate and biodiversity policies.



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