



## All4Climate

**Expression of Interest for the events proposed on the topic of climate change to be included in the calendar of meetings leading to the "Pre-COP 26" preparatory ministerial meeting and "Youth4Climate2021: Driving Ambition", the international event dedicated to young people on climate.**

### THE CONTEXT

In view of the 26th Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP26), which will be held in Glasgow in November 2021, Italy will host in Milan from September 28<sup>th</sup> to October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the preparatory ministerial meeting (Pre-COP) and "Youth4Climate2021: Driving Ambition", the international event dedicated to Young people.

The Milan's events are the foundation of a strategy with the ambition to effectively combat climate change providing for a broad involvement of civil society, private sector, public administrations, research, as well as schools and students, calling to mobilize all key players in climate action, in the spirit of the Paris Agreement.

In this context, the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, in collaboration with the World Bank's communication program on climate change, Connect4Climate, with the support of Lombardy Region and the Municipality of Milan, promotes a shared and inclusive approach to foster the dialogue between the various stakeholders so that they can discuss approaches and good practices related to the issue of climate change and the objectives of the Paris Agreement.

With this "expression of interest", we ask the Recipients to submit event proposals. Among all the proposals presented, the Ministry for the Environment will select those that, in terms of quality and relevance, will become part of the "**All4Climate - Italy2021**" Program, the official calendar of events that will take place throughout Italy during the year with the aim to promote 2021 as the year of "climate ambition".

### THE EVENTS

Whereas that the realization of the events will remain conditioned by the epidemiological framework and by the provisions in force, we encourage the formulation of proposals that could be produced either digitally and "in person", thus allowing a prompt adaptation to the evolution of the current pandemic.

Proposals may be submitted to organize different kind of events, relating to the following issues:

- innovative solutions for the reduction of city and territorial emissions in cities: round tables, workshops and meetings for the presentation and promotion of innovative



solutions at city and territorial level on topics such as: urban regeneration; sustainable mobility; urban adaptation and reforestation; reduction of food waste and circular economy; sustainable finance; biodiversity and nature based solutions; culture, territorial identity and climate change;

- actions and commitments for mitigation / adaptation policies: round tables, conferences, contests, workshops and meetings for the presentation and promotion of proposals / pilot projects, good practices and experiences in terms of experimentation, application, evaluation and dissemination of techniques, methods and innovative approaches that offer environmental and climatic advantages, and that can eventually be applied later on a large scale or in other contexts in line with the objectives set out in the Paris Agreement;
- global commitment of young people: meetings, round tables, conferences, events, exhibitions and presentations of youth associations involved in the fight against climate change; as well as events promoted by non-governmental organizations, companies, local authorities and public and private subjects to enhance and promote the involvement of young people in the definition and implementation of actions and policies, at local and national level, aimed at combating climate change with particular reference to the objectives defined by the Paris Agreement.
- climate education: training sessions, round tables, conferences, contests, exhibitions, debates and meetings for the presentation of pilot projects / best practices / case studies in the field of climate change education, to which Article 12 of the Paris Agreement is dedicated, aimed at encouraging a progressive introduction of these topics in school curricula at all levels.
- scientific dissemination on the topic of climate change: round tables, workshops, panels, debates and / or creation of information materials aimed at promoting and presenting information, awareness raising and dissemination projects.
- public awareness on the issue of climate change: events for raising awareness of civil society which may include round tables, workshops, photographic or other exhibitions, musical and theatrical events as well as film or sports events aimed at promoting greater awareness on climate change and sustainable lifestyles.

In carrying out the events, organizers must observe the guidelines provided by the Government to deal with the spread of Covid-19 pandemic.

Based on these assumptions, the following organizational methods are recommended:

- › speakers and audience in the room will have to comply with the social distancing and individual protection measures (however, the organization of live streaming is encouraged);
- › presence of speakers in a physical place with the public connected in live streaming;
- › online events, where speakers and the public can intervene remotely.

Furthermore, the organizers are invited to adopt the best practices for the improvement of environmental performance and provide for a socially and ecologically responsible decision-making process in the planning, organization and implementation of the event.



All events must be totally free from single-use plastics especially for catering, food and beverage, when required. All the initiatives, in fact, must be "single-mono-use plastic free".

The organizers must also ensure the separate collection and recovery of food not consumed but still edible also by donating it for social purposes.

## **RECIPIENTS**

Proposals can be submitted only by public and private entities, non-governmental organizations, foundations and associations, companies, public administrations and international organizations

In order to be selected, the subjects must submit their proposals utilizing the specific format with a short curriculum which shows their environmental commitment and the initiatives/activities already previously carried out in this area.

In any case, proposals received from persons who have received criminal convictions for environmental offenses or for which proceedings for environmental offenses are pending in Italy or abroad will be excluded.

## **PROCEDURE**

To apply, please complete and submit the form. The events that fall within the identified principles and that will respect the criteria indicated as "mandatory" will benefit from visibility, through the release of the logo of the "All4Climate - Italy2021" initiative, and the promotion on the official website of "All4Climate - Italy2021" and on the Ministry's for the Environment social media dedicated to the preparatory ministerial meeting "Pre-COP 26" and to the international event dedicated to young people "Youth4Climate2021: Driving Ambition".

Be aware that the calendar of events to be included in the "All4Climate - Italy2021" program could undergo changes and / or cancellations due the evolution of the current pandemic.

## **LOCATION**

The events can be organized in virtual, hybrid or 'in person' format, in Milan and throughout Italy either during the preparatory ministerial meeting "Pre-COP 26" and the "Youth4Climate2021: Driving Ambition" event (28 September - 2 October) as well as in the previous months.

In compliance with the current COVID19-related provisions and security protocols, the Convention Bureau of Milan & Partners, the official promotion agency of the city of Milan, and Explora, (the Destination Management Organization of the Lombardy Region and the Chambers of Commerce) will support free of charge the entities submitting projects in identifying the event locations within Lombardy's territory.

## **DEADLINE**

Proposals must be sent to the following email [All4ClimateItaly2021@minambiente.it](mailto:All4ClimateItaly2021@minambiente.it) Within 3 weeks from the date of the proposal submission the applicants will be informed about the outcome of the selection.

The expression of interest will be closed on June 15, 2021 at 12.00 pm