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#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The LIFE TogetherFor1.5 project aims to align the EU's climate action with the 1.5°C objective of the Paris Agreement, building on three climate and energy policy opportunities: the finalisation and implementation of the **Fit for 55 legislative package**; the revision of **National Energy and Climate Plans** (NECPs); and the revision of the national **Long-Term Strategies** (LTS). These EU and national level policy processes include once-in-a-lifetime societal and economic transformation opportunities that can significantly accelerate the EU's transition to climate neutrality, also thanks to the resources available via the **EU funding instruments** (most notably the Recovery and Resilience Facility and Cohesion policy) and their spending plans drafted at the national level.

At the same time, the project aims to increase the **public awareness** of and support for early and increased climate action by showing its societal, environmental and economic co-benefits — which remains especially relevant in light of the current fossil fuels crisis. Through EU level and national campaigns to highlight the co-benefits of climate action and the opportunities in National Energy and Climate Plans and in long-term strategies, project partners aim at maintaining and increasing the public awareness of and support for increased climate action among European citizens and stakeholders, through a constructive narrative in support of the EU's transition to climate neutrality.

To deliver the above-mentioned objectives, the following activities are envisaged:

- Advocacy efforts towards reaching an ambitious agreement on the Fit for 55 Package and monitoring its implementation at the national level
- Monitoring and participating in the revision of NECPs in 13 member states, to ensure
  it is at least in line with the new EU legislation and push to ensure it goes beyond it
- Monitoring and assessing the implementation of NECPs, both current and updated
- Aligning the EU's and Member States' long term climate target and policies with the
   1.5°C objective of the Paris Agreement

The TogetherFor1.5 project will cover the following countries through its national partners: **Belgium**: BBL, **Bulgaria**: Za Zemiata, **Czech Republic**: Centre for Transport and Energy (CDE), **Croatia**: DOOR, **Denmark**: Danish 92-Gruppen, **Estonia**: Estonian Fund for Nature, **France**: RAC France, **Germany**: Germanwatch, **Hungary**: MTVSz, **Poland**: Institute for Sustainable Development, **Portugal**: ZERO, **Slovenia**: FOCUS, **Spain**: SEO/Birdlife. All project partners are members of the pan-European NGO network **Climate Action Network (CAN) Europe**, whose secretariat coordinates the project.

#### **REPLICATION STRATEGY**

As explained above, the LIFE TogetherFor1.5 project will build capacities of civil society organisations, as well as national and EU stakeholders and media to increase support and demand for 1.5°C aligned climate policies and encourage the development of processes for their targeted input at key moments during the finalisation and implementation of the Fit for 55 package, NECPs and national long-term strategies revisions.

The replication of results and activities – in space and time – is therefore at the project's core. The main objectives of CAN Europe's replication strategy are (i) to ensure that messages and deliverables of the LIFE TogetherFor1.5 project are taken and used by different stakeholders for advocacy work at the national level; (ii) to inspire other NGOs in different Member States to join the efforts and use the tools developed by the project; and (iii) to ensure that messages and deliverables are taken up also by decision makers and relevant stakeholders at the EU level. Therefore, the project's replication strategy has three targeted outreach plans:

- 1. Replication at the national level
- 2. Replication in other EU Member States
- 3. Replication at the European level

Below we describe the activities envisaged and approaches adopted by consortium partners to ensure that its results and outcomes are replicated at the national level in each of the target countries, but also at the EU level and in other EU Member States. At the end of the document, replication beyond the project period is also discussed (although a more detailed analysis on the project's sustainability will be provided in the AfterLIFE plan).

As a final note, it is worth highlighting that this replication strategy will be closely intertwined with the communication strategy. This is especially the case as increasing public awareness about climate and energy policies is one of the project's objectives. Hence, further information on dissemination will be available in the communication strategy.

#### 1. Replication at the national level

All the partner organisations in the 13 targeted Member States will engage with national stakeholders, notably in the form of **national stakeholder meetings**. These meetings aim to bring together pro-ambition stakeholders and decision-makers selected from business and industry, national, regional and local government representatives, academia, consultancy, trade unions, youth activists and civil society. These stakeholder groups, whose membership will be tailored to national circumstances, will provide advice, information and

recommendations during the lifetime of the TogetherFor1.5 project both inwards to the project itself and outwards from the project to relevant private and public sectors. Through these national stakeholder meetings, TogetherFor1.5 partners are also able to disseminate the deliverables to a wide range of stakeholders, from NGOs to progressive businesses and local authorities.

A series of **workshops** is also envisaged with relevant decision makers and stakeholders to ensure that the findings and tools developed under the project are successfully disseminated – also at other levels of governance, including local and regional authorities. Project partners also aim to participate (with poster and panel presentations) in relevant national policy conferences, workshops and other expert events throughout the project term. The aim of participating at these events is twofold: to exchange face-to-face with key target audiences and stakeholders on LIFE TogetherFor1.5 outputs and to link with other relevant networks.

In addition to regular stakeholder meetings and workshops, LIFE TogetherFor1.5 partners will keep stakeholders informed about project developments between the meetings, and disseminate the project materials and reports (also via web links) as they become available.

The project activities involving national replication are available below:

- Task 2.4: 39 national stakeholder meetings on the Fit for 55 implementation (in person or in online format)
- Task 3.3: at least 1 stakeholder meeting per country, at the beginning of the NECPs revision process
- Task 3.3: a total of at least 5 bilateral meetings per country with strategic partners and multiplicators
- Task 3.4: at least 2 workshops per target country (8 countries), involving local authorities and/or local CSOs, to build capacity and inform them about how the revision of NECPs; at least 3 meetings with local authorities
- Task 4.3: capacity building activities and at least 2 regional workshops to increase capacity of CSOs and stakeholders on NECPs implementation and revision
- Task 5.3: capacity building activities and at least 2 regional workshops on national Long Term Strategies

As foreseen under Task 6.1, below are available more detailed national replication strategies for the 13 target countries.

#### **BELGIUM**

Bond Beter Leefmilieu will participate in all the above-mentioned replication tasks (T.2.4, T.3.3, T.3.4, T.4.3, T.5.3).

Bond Beter Leefmilieu represents a wide membership of Flemish environmental organisations, and a well connected actor more generally in the Flemish, Belgian and European political and CSO landscape. Our policy and communications' teams have long standing experience in working on climate change, and we have already started rolling out public and political outreach related to the NECPs throughout 2022.

BBL is also part of the Belgian Climate Coalition, which unites over 90 organisations including trade unions, environmental NGOs, north-south groups, human rights organisations, and other civil society actors. Together, we coordinate political strategies and public communication, including press outreach as well as large scale, annual climate mobilizations. These same activities are foreseen in the coming years, and political as well as communications' coordination/cooperation on the revision of the new NECP (and wider climate and energy politics) is already well underway.

In light of the NECPs revision stakeholder meetings, regular webinars are organised for our membership (and the wider policy making circles, including local governments) to inform them about ongoing reforms or BBL demands - including the implementation of the fit for 55 reforms. Within the Climate Coalition, we will also brief the wider coalition on the ongoing NECP revision throughout 2023-2024.

Since Belgium will enter an election year in 2024 (federal, regional, european, local), while also holding the Council presidency in the beginning of 2024, our climate-related campaigning and advocacy efforts are already anticipating this busy year - again in close cooperation with our membership as well as wider civil society, business and political stakeholders.

#### **BULGARIA**

Za Zemiata will participate in the following replication tasks: T.2.4, T.3.3.

Za Zemiata is the Bulgarian member of the wide Friends of the Earth Europe network. Za Zemiata strives for an outward-oriented policy and activities, carried out in cooperation with volunteers and other Bulgarian NGOs. We have a youth group and are also expanding our volunteer network (Za Zemiata is most famous with its yearly, community-based clean up in high mountain areas with 24 editions already, attracting new and old volunteers).

Za Zemiata is part of several Bulgarian coalitions working on climate and energy, including the Bulgarian Climate Coalition, "For the Nature" Coalition, Coalition for sustainable use of EU

funds, Decent Home Coalition, etc. It also works closely with the Coalition for a Green Restart, which includes WWF and Greenpeace – both Za Zemiata's close allies – as members. Za Zemiata also has a strong collaboration with coal municipalities such as Pernik and Bobov Dol, as well as with climate activist groups like Fridays for future, Mladi Za Zemita, Young WWF, EU-based think tanks like Center for the study of democracy and E3G, climate science portal Climateka.

All these partners constitute a core audience for Za Zemiata, and therefore will be invited to project events, workshops etc. to help our messages and demands to reach decision-makers from more places in a concentrated effort. On the other hand, Za Zemiata will also inform the public about the importance of early climate action – via an ambitious implementation of Fit for 55 legislation and NECPs revision – in order to inspire it to demand it to the national government.

#### **CROATIA**

DOOR will participate in the following replication tasks: T.2.4, T.3.3, T.3.4, T.5.3.

DOOR is cooperating with a wide number of organisations in Croatia from the NGO sector, such as FoE Croatia and Green Energy Cooperative, but also with several institutes, including the Institute for Social research, the Energy Institute Hrvoje Požar, the Institute for Development and International Relations, etc.

DOOR is also a member of Green Forum national Croatian network, which gathers 27 civil society organisations and whose goal is to influence the development and implementation of politics targeting environmental protection.

DOOR will use those networks and cooperations to disseminate the results of this project thus encouraging their replication on a national level. The members that DOOR gathers, apart from NGOs and Institutes, come from the public and higher education sector as well. They are continuously informed on the activities DOOR is implementing so the findings from this project will also be made available to them. To promote replication of project's results DOOR will use an existing website that is being updated with news on a daily basis, social media (facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn) that are following the activities and events as well as newsletter that is being sent out at least on a monthly basis.

#### **CZECHIA**

CDE will participate in the following replication tasks: T.2.4, T.3.3, T.4.3.

CDE is a member organisation of the Czech Climate Coalition (a network of more than 50 climate organisations) and the Green Circle network (an association of 91 environmental NGOs) and as such collaborates closely with other Czech CSOs. CDE will share results of the project with relevant members and coordinate with them on the most important activities (including a coordination group on the Czech Presidency, Fit for 55, NECPs and nLTS revision). Both, the Climate Coalition and the Green Circle, held general assemblies twice a year, where we will present the project results.

In addition, CDE is a member of the Change for the Better network, which brings together more than 60 progressive businesses. Its communication channels such as a podcast and a newsletter or various events are suitable opportunities for disseminating project results.

#### **DENMARK**

The Danish 92 Group will participate in the following replication tasks: T.2.4, T.3.3.

The Danish 92 Group is a coalition established in 1992 between 25 Danish NGO's working on issues related to the environment and development. Some of the Danish 92 Groups' members work primarily on national issues, while others have a global approach. The Together for 1.5 consortium is a way to add a coordinated EU-level focus to the work of the 92 Group. The 92 Group members have an excellent reach when working activities include joint actions on advocacy, lobbying and information activities coordinated in different thematic working groups.

Throughout the Together for 1.5 project, we will also continuously expand our circle of stakeholders involved in the NECP-process and beyond and invite them to participate (e.g. other NGOs, trade unions, think tanks, progressive businesses etc). Thereby increasing our chances of our message reaching the decision makers. With the Danish EU presidency approaching (2025) a growing interest in engaging is expected.

We will use our newsletter, SoMe, conferences and beyond to help raise awareness of the ambition and results of the project.

#### **ESTONIA**

Estonian Fund for Nature (ELF) will participate in all the above-mentioned replication tasks (T.2.4, T.3.3, T.3.4, T.4.3, T.5.3).

ELF is a non-governmental environmental organisation which, according to its current strategy plan, works on 5 main fields of action: forests, wetlands, sea, climate and species conservation. Regarding the work on climate, it focuses on awareness raising and advocacy,

cooperating with NGOs in Estonia through the national climate network and in Europe through the CAN network, as well as also actively reaching out to other stakeholders. One of its main focuses has been oil shale, but now it is also actively working on climate planning and governance.

To replicate the project's results, it will arrange meetings and workshops planned under Together for 1.5 project, focusing on most relevant aspects of Fit for 55, NECP and LTS for Estonian context. For example, the Estonian Climate Law will be in development during the project period, which will set the course for Fit for 55 implementation, as well as the Environmental Sector Development Plan and the Energy Sector Development Plan, which will feed into the updated NECPs.

ELF will broaden our cooperation between stakeholders, making stronger connections and finding new allies among e.g businesses, banks ect who can amplify our messages. ELF has already developed contacts with some businesses and we see high potential on that side. While the green transition is more widely acknowledged nowadays, stakeholders lack some in-depth knowledge on environmental topics – thus we can highlight the most important points we have identified through our work in Together for 1.5 project.

#### **FRANCE**

RAC France federates 27 national associations (Les Amis de la Terre, CLER, Greenpeace, WWF, Alternatiba, CCFD, Energie partagée, France Nature Environnement...) and 10 local associations (Canopée, Air...) around the fight against climate change in France. It is also part of several national and local collectives gathering CSOs, unions, economic or social federations (Pour une autre PAC, Pacte pour le pouvoir de vivre, Pacte pour la Transition, Rénovons, Plus jamais ça, etc.).

Considering France is way behind schedule for the revision process of the NECP, our replication strategy will firstly focus on the adoption of the *Loi de programmation énergie climat* (LPEC), the law of planification for energy and climate that will set the priorities for action of the national climate and energy policy and therefore frame the content of the NECP, taking into account the increase of the EU objective of reducing net GHG emissions to -55% by 2030. NB: the LPEC taking the form of a decree, there will be little room for debate at national level. France should deliver its first draft NECP to the Commission in December 2023 (at the earliest).

To replicate the LIFE TogetherFor1. project strategy at national level, CAN France foresees the following activities:

Task 2.4:

- Workshops/webinars will be held on the LPEC (Loi de programmation énergie climat) in the frame of the initiative "Au sein de l'Assemblée nationale" in particular towards MPs to raise awareness on the topic of LPEC
- A 4 pager dedicated to national stakeholders will be drafted to introduce the position of CAN France on the LPEC, including the transposition of Fit for 55 measures.
- An amendment notebook will also be drafted, directed to French MPs.

#### Task 3.3:

- Regular strategic meetings of coordination with its network (member associations)
- Webinars of training on the LPEC and Fit for 55 measures will be organised for journalists
- Interviews will be conducted on a regular basis with journalists on that topic as well.

#### Task 3.4:

- CAN France will inform and recall the importance effectively reaching the EU Fit for 55 objectives via the revision process of NECPs in its regular meetings with associations of local authorities (i.e: Intercommunalités de France, Régions de France, France Urbaine)
- This same network will also be targeted for organising capacity building workshops dedicated to the revision of NECPs.

#### Task 4.3:

• 1 workshop or webinar on the LPEC (Loi de programmation énergie climat) in the frame of the initiative "Au sein de l'Assemblée nationale" in particular towards MPs to raise awareness on the topic of LPEC

#### Task 5.3

• Workshop on the topic of investment in the energy and ecological transition with partner CSOs in other MS to strengthen expertise and awareness of member associations on the topic.

#### Other replication tools ar envisaged such as:

- EU mailing lists to disseminate information to members and other associations
- Regular strategic meetings with the member associations to raise awareness on the implementation of the Fit for 55 and the NECP revision process

#### **GERMANY**

Germanwatch is an independent environmental organisation, which advocates for sustainable development. It actively promotes global equity, the respect of human rights and livelihood preservation, with a focus on the politics and economics of the Global North and their world-wide consequences.

Germanwatch endeavours to approach its aims by advocating fair trade relations, responsible financial markets, compliance with human rights, and the prevention of dangerous climate

change. Germanwatch moves climate cooperation between different actors in society forward. We are among the key coordinators of the German Klima-Allianz, CAN-International (CAN-I), CAN Europe (CAN-E), the Renewable Grid Initiative (RGI) and in close strategic contact with other civil society umbrellas and organisations, such as Deutscher Naturschutzring (DNR).

#### Task 2.4:

• 3 German stakeholder meetings on the Fit for 55 implementation

#### Task 3.3:

- at least 1 stakeholder meeting at the beginning of the NECPs revision process and further meetings during the process
- GW holds regular strategic meetings on NECP with Deutscher Naturschutzring
- making stronger connections and finding new allies among e.g businesses etc, who can amplify our messages.
- Meetings with German stakeholders focusing on most relevant aspects of Fit for 55,
   NECP and LTS for Estonian context.

#### Task 3.4:

- at least 3 meetings with local authorities in Germany on their contribution to the NECPs revision process
- Germanwatch will inform and recall the significance of reaching the EU Fit for 55 objectives via the revision process of NECPs in its meetings with associations of local authorities

#### Task 4.3:

- Exchange of knowledge with Deutscher Naturschutzring and its members during meetings, day-to-day contacts by mailing list, proposals for common statements.
- Regular strategic meetings with DNR and other stakeholders to raise awareness on the implementation of the Fit for 55 and the NECP revision process

#### **HUNGARY**

MTVSz will participate in the following replication tasks: T.2.4, T.3.3.

MTVSZ coordinates a climate task-force (mainly consisting of CSOs but also including some other stakeholders) and shares information on their mailing list regularly. MTVSZ is also a member of various other task forces (including various stakeholders and government) where they will share project results and messages.

#### **POLAND**

ISD will participate in all the replication tasks (T.2.4, T.3.3, T.3.4, T.4.3, T.5.3).

The Institute for Sustainable Development Foundation is going to promote actions that may be replicated by other NGOs to its stakeholders and other NGO and organisations in Poland in the following ways:

- Exchange of knowledge with Polish Climate Coalition, which is a non-formal coalition
  of 27 Polish NGOs interested in climate action. The exchange is going through day-today contacts by mailing list, membership of the representative of ISD in the steering
  committee and proposals for common opinions and statements.
- Exchange of material from the project and gained knowledge with other NGOs, organisations and the general public through an information website about climate policy, where actions of ISD are also described, named chronmyklimat.pl.
- Exchange of materials and knowledge gained during the project on other public forums, such as monitoring committees of european funds operating in Poland. Representatives of ISD are active in 4 such committees, among them one of the biggest Fund for Infrastructure, Climate and Environment, that contains substantial investments in the energy sector.

ISD Foundation has an ambition to be the leading organisation in consultation of NECPs and LTS documents in Poland, which is going to persuade other NGOs to use its experience. Realisation of this ambition has been started with a letter to the Ministry of Climate and Environment calling for active consultation of NECPs in Poland. The letter has been supported by 30 other NGOs.

#### **PORTUGAL**

ZERO is an environmental non-governmental association which aims to promote the transition to a fair and sustainable society, focusing its action mainly on advocacy. It has a national status of public interest and a national scope, and it has close connections and good cooperation with several societal sectors of interest for the project. It has more than 2500 associates and cooperates closely with other CSO in several environmental issues, albeith ZERO having the most expertise in climate change issues.

On a grassroots level, ZERO is part of *Agenda pela Justiça Climática*, a coalition of CSO and grassroot organisations which mobilise together for Climate Justice topics and operate across the whole country. In the Academia sector, there is also a close connection given that ZERO's board members are researchers and teach at a University level. This connection contributed to establish the support group during the Unify project, including the research team working on modelling the LTS and the NECP data, and will continue during TF1.5.

ZERO has an established good working relationship with government level institutions, namely the Portuguese Environment and Climate Action Ministry, the Portuguese Environmental Agency and the Directorate General for Energy and Geology, which are the agencies working on the revision of the NECP.

Finally, ZERO has a very strong and established relation with media outlets, being frequently cited in most news channels and its members are often reached to produce op-eds or partake in interviews. This media outreach establishes two focal points of contact for the objectives of the project: communicating with civil society as whole and having its message reach decision-makers.

#### **SLOVENIA**

Focus is part of Plan B, a network of 38 non-governmental organizations whose main purpose is the joint formation and representation of positions, strengthening the voice of non-governmental organizations and joint action on specific topics.

In addition, Focus participates in the Coalition for Sustainable Transport Policy (KTPP). KTPP is an informal association of organizations and individuals that strives for a sustainable transport policy in Slovenia. Focus is also part of the Mreža za prostor, the Slovenian network of NGOs in the field of sustainable urban planning, local initiatives and organized public who strive for higher quality of living space. Focus also works closely with the Slovenian youth climate movement - Youth for Climate Justice.

Focus will use those networks and groups to share and disseminate project results. Furthermore Focus will also coordinate with relevant members and groups on key project and policy activities such as revision of the National energy and climate plan. Focus will also use support group (NGOs, trade unions, progressive bussines, relevant ministries etc.) established within previous LIFE projects.

#### **SPAIN**

SEO/BirdLife will participate in all the replication tasks (T.2.4, T.3.3, T.3.4, T.4.3, T.5.3).

SEO/BirdLife closely works and collaborates with many other Spanish national organisations -such as the ECF Spain network, 'G5' Energy group and the Alliance for the climate- in promoting a rapid, environmentally sustainable and inclusive transition to a zero carbon economy. SEO/BirdLife is also an active founder member of the Spanish initiative 'Por Una Recuperación Sostenible' ('For a Sustainable Recovery') which is a broad alliance of

representatives of civil society, business, academia and politics, united by the need for the post-Covid recovery to follow a sustainable pathway, especially in the use of the EU 'Next Generation' funds.

In addition, SEO/BirdLife maintain continuous contact with relevant representatives of the national government, particularly with the Spanish Office for Climate Change, together with several regional and local authorities.

Also the creation of a multi-actor Support Group and an iberian partnership are envisaged for TogetherFor1.5, following the successful experience of the Unify project.

#### 2. Replication in other EU Member States

The results and tools developed by the project can be replicated in the remaining 14 EU Member States. In order to reach out and disseminate results (e.g. briefings' findings), tools (e.g. NECP tracker) and campaigns (e.g. NECP awards) towards NGOs in the Member States which are not covered by the project, the TogetherFor1.5 partners would rely on the CAN Europe network which is composed of more than 190 member organisations from 38 European countries, representing over 1.700 NGOs.

More specifically, CAN Europe has 41 members in the other 14 EU Member States: Austria (2), Cyprus (1), Finland (6), Greece (3), Ireland (5), Italy (3), Latvia (1), Lithuania (2), Luxembourg (3), Malta (1), Netherlands (6), Romania (2), Slovakia (1), Sweden (5) and the potential to replicate the results to other EU Member States will be strengthened by the existing relationships and communication structures in place with the relevant NGOs.

In order to ensure the coordination between the LIFE TogetherFor1.5 project and the broader CAN Europe network, a number of processes are put in place:

• Online working groups: Online working groups are the main platform through which the CAN Europe network discusses policy updates, shares best practices, provides advice and organises joint actions. Therefore, they constitute an ideal platform to disseminate the tools and outputs of the Together For 1.5 project and ensure cross-pollination across different policy and communication work. The project partners will actively contribute to these working groups via relevant mail exchanges, dissemination of Together For 1.5 content, contribution to other activities and participation to meetings with other CAN Europe members.

As of November 2022, the following online working groups are relevant to promote deliverables, policy and communication work of the project:

O Governance working group: to exchange on lessons learnt on how to influence national processes on NECPs and national long term strategies and discuss how

- they relate to the EU level debate. To coordinate joint actions and campaigns on the NECPs revision process.
- EU budget working group: to monitor the use of EU funding spending plans to back up NECPs ambition and policies, as well as to monitor fossil fuel subsidies phaseout plans.
- O <u>Climate ambition, renewables, energy savings working groups</u>: to ensure linkages between the Fit for 55 negotiations and its implementation at the national level, as well as to monitor the development of renewables and energy efficiency targets in the
- Communication working group: to discuss key climate-related policy developments in Europe with a focus on Together For 1.5 project related policy processes.
- Regular strategy calls: CAN Europe organises regular strategy calls to discuss overarching issues such as the European Green Deal, the energy crisis, REPowerEU, FitFor55 etc. These calls will allow the LIFE TogetherFor1.5 partners to join discussions with other members of the CAN Europe network on overarching policy issues and strategic priorities.
- Webinars: The webinars which might also be open to external partners are organised differently than strategy calls. While CAN Europe members use strategy calls to have lively discussions on strategic issues, webinars are used to present certain pieces of work and why they are important. TogetherFor1.5 project partners will use webinars to present deliverables and best practices to a wider audience and give them the possibility to ask questions for clarification. Webinars will allow partners to disseminate the deliverables, while other participants are encouraged to use best practices and replicate them in their own circumstances.
- General Assembly: CAN Europe organises two General Assemblies per year, one online and one in Brussels. General Assemblies are moments where policy updates are being presented and priorities of the CAN Network are identified. In order to strengthen the collaboration with the whole CAN Europe membership, TogetherFor1.5 partners will organise workshops and panels during CAN Europe General Assembly. It would give partners an opportunity to present deliverables and network with other NGOs to support the dissemination of the deliverables. They are also moments in which the different working groups can meet face-to-face and discuss the next steps for cooperation.

The replication activities in other member states will go beyond the CAN Europe network.

- Project partners aim to participate in relevant policy conferences, workshops and other expert events organised beyond the 13 EU target countries covered by the project to disseminate the project's findings.
- Project partners will also aim to create synergies with other relevant projects, notably including LIFE projects. As of November 2022, these include the LIFE <u>NECPlatform</u> project, coordinated by Energy Cities and covering Portugal, Croatia, France, Bulgaria, Italy and Romania; and LIFE <u>EUCityCalc</u> covering Portugal, Croatia, France, Czechia, Italy and Latvia. Coordinating with these projects will maximise the impact of all projects' tools and findings, and will ensure that TogetherFor1.5 findings are disseminated beyond the selected target countries.
- Stakeholders beyond the targeted countries will also be invited to a project closure event, organised online precisely to allow a wide participation across Europe and maximise the dissemination of the project's results across decision-makers, CSOs, stakeholders and other LIFE beneficiaries.
- Thanks to the presence of non-EU members in the CAN Europe network, replication can also take place beyond the EU borders. Indeed, the CAN Europe network that also comprises member organisations and partners in EFTA and non-EU countries, such as Norway, Switzerland and the UK), but also to EU accession countries, notably Turkey and the Western Balkan countries, in which replication and transfer of the project results would play a significant role as they need to comply with the Union acquis on the date of their accession.

The project activities involving European replication are summarised below:

Task T.6.2 - Mobilise the CAN Europe Network to expand the project method and strategy beyond the project's 13 target EU Member States

- Involvement in at least 20 CAN Europe working group meetings and strategy calls, to link the TogetherFor1.5 project with the wider network of CSOs working to prevent disastrous climate change
- Involvement in or organisation of at least 20 webinars to present deliverables and best practices to a wider audience, while encouraging other participants to use best practices and replicate them in their own circumstances.
- Participation in 6 General Assemblies: organised twice a year by CAN Europe, in Brussels or online, General Assemblies will be an opportunity for the project partners to organise workshops and panels to present deliverables and network with other NGOs to support the dissemination of the deliverables.

#### T.6.3 – Networking and technical dissemination

 Participation at EU and national conferences to disseminate LIFE TogetherFor1.5 project results

- Networking with other LIFE and H2020 projects
- Final Project Closure Event

#### 3. Replication at the EU Level

At the EU level, the replication work will mostly be conducted by the CAN Europe Secretariat. In order to amplify the messages of other stakeholders who work on similar topics and disseminate LIFE TogetherFor1.5 results to wider audiences, project partners will work together with other European stakeholder networks such as youth networks, social movements, business associations, regional and local authority networks.

- In particular, CAN Europe will present policy work strands and deliverables of the TogetherFor1.5 project to the Coalition for Higher Ambition, a unique gathering of businesses, investor groups, trade unions, local and regional authorities who work together to increase climate ambition in the EU. The collaboration with the Coalition for Higher Ambition has already been fruitful under the LIFE Unify project, conducted by 11 out of the 14 partners of TogetherFor1.5. Under Task 2.4, CAN Europe will organise 4 stakeholder meetings involving the partners of the Coalition for Higher Ambition every year.
- The Coalition for Energy Savings composed of businesses, professionals, local authorities, energy communities, and civil society organisations could also be another potential replication platform. Its goal is to make energy efficiency and savings the first consideration of energy policies and the driving force towards a secure, sustainable and competitive European Union which both is relevant in the current context of the energy crisis and overlaps with the NECPs revision process and the Fit For 55 implementation (energy efficiency target, revision of the Energy Efficiency Directive).
- In addition, the CAN Europe Secretariat team will participate with poster and panel presentations in relevant EU-level policy conferences, workshops and other expert events throughout the project term. The aim of participating at these events is twofold: to exchange face-to-face with key target audiences and stakeholders on LIFE TogetherFor1.5 outputs and to link with other relevant networks.
- The dissemination of project results across other NGOs working at the EU level will
  also be guaranteed thanks to the participation in the "European Climate Foundation
  governance hub", which gathers on a monthly basis to discuss relevant matters and
  will largely focus on the NECPs revision process in 2023 and 2024.

 The project closure event will also be an important opportunity to share the project results and disseminate its main deliverables to European decision-makers, CSOs and relevant stakeholders. Experts and coordinators from EU institutions and existing EU projects will be invited as panellists or moderators of the sessions.

### 4. Replication beyond the project's end date

The work done by the LIFE TogetherFor1.5 project will continue to be relevant in the EU political sphere in the years following the project's end, because the policy processes covered by the project will not be exhausted by mid-2025.

- The outcomes of activities under Work Package 2 which focuses on the costs of climate inaction and on financial resources needed for an ambitious implementation of the new EU targets – can inform the 2025-2028 MFF revision process;
- The outcomes of activities under Work Package 3 and Work Package 4 which will produce briefings and communication focus on the NECPs implementation and their revision processes can inform the future NECPs revision and implementation cycles;
- The outcomes of activities under Work Package 5 which include assessment reports on the alignment of nLTS to EU 2035 and 2040 targets, and on the targets themselves – can inform the future nLTS revision, as well as the final negotiation rounds on the EU 2035 and 2040 Targets.

The replication and dissemination of project results beyond the project period will happen through platforms and channels that will be established, including

- (i) the project's web page which will host most of the published outputs, background documents, communication tools and progress reports. It will remain online at least for 3 years after the project's duration, to guarantee continuous access to this information for everyone.
- (ii) the online working groups, which will continue to take place even after the project duration and can therefore pick up the project's findings and workstrands beyond 2025; and
- (iii) CAN Europe's member's area, which will remain for the broader CAN Europe network an accessible source of the tangible project output, allowing for additional updates, referencing and reviews still at a post-project stage.

In addition, the expertise developed throughout the project period - e.g. via workshops, briefings, and tools such as the NECP tracker (Task 4.1) - will still be an added value for CSOs who will continue calling for more ambitious climate action after the end of the project. The bridges and coalitions created between different stakeholders under the LIFE TogetherFor1.5

project – e.g. via stakeholder meetings, events and workshops – will continue to foster dialogue and dissemination of knowledge built in the project.

In the AfterLIFE plan, the LIFE TogetherFor1.5 consortium will develop a strategy to ensure that the results of their work are disseminated beyond the project duration, and therefore can continue to have an impact on the relevant policy processes.

**ENDS**