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Portugal Capacity Building for Better Use of LIFE II - LIFE CAP PT II

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## **3rd edition of INTER LIFE PT - a successful event of moments of sharing and mutual help of national projects – LIFE CAP PT II**

Viseu was the stage for the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of INTER LIFE PT, which took place at the Instituto Politécnico de Viseu on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of March. The event brought together representatives of the various ongoing national projects with Portuguese partners, and included a field visit to learn about the results of the implementation of the host project, LIFE Landscape Fire. This new edition, organized by APA, the Portuguese Environment Agency, in collaboration with other partners of the LIFE CAP PT II project consortium (APA, DDL, DGEG, IFCN and SRAAC), had a strong networking component. The event involved 58 participants, of which there were 14 speakers representing the projects invited to share their experiences.

## **EU Advisory Board Meeting**

The EU Advisory Board - the group composed of National Contact Points (NCPs) from other EU Member States, with the mission of advising and accompanying the LIFE CAP PT II project, met on December 20<sup>th</sup> 2023, invited by APA, as project coordinator. The NCPs from Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Slovenia, Spain, Italy, and Poland came together on this day to learn about the Portuguese project and thus have the opportunity to contribute and support future activities to be developed.

## **SIP/SNAP Workshops**

The SIP and SNaP Strategic Projects (Strategic Integrated Projects and Strategic Nature Projects), co-financed by the LIFE Programme, implement on a large scale environmental and climate plans and strategies under the responsibility of Member State authorities. To train the entities of the LIFE CAP PT II project consortium (APA; DDL; DGEG; IFCN and SRAAC), a workshop was held on January 18<sup>th</sup>, which had 113 participants (85 online and 28



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in person), with the objective of deepening the knowledge about the opportunities of these projects and their application process.

Following this workshop, the 1<sup>st</sup> online seminar on LIFE Strategic Projects (SIP and SNaP) took place, which aim was to inform national authorities about the support offered by this type of project, as well as to advise them about the process of designing, structuring, and applying for Strategic Projects. 129 participants attended this event, including representatives of various central, regional, and local administration entities responsible for implementing environmental and climate policies.

## **LIFE FAQ**

The Portuguese FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) were published on February 12<sup>th</sup>, on the website dedicated to the LIFE Programme in Portugal, which contains answers to the questions most frequently asked by candidates and/or beneficiaries of the LIFE Programme in this country. The published document aims to clarify doubts, and it can be complemented by an “Open Desk” (a moment scheduled with the Portuguese LIFE technical teams for more personalized clarifications). Annual revisions of this document are planned, as a complement to the European Commission's FAQ.

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