

Factsheet

Export Initiative Environmental Protection



Funding programme

Environmental innovations and climate technologies are key pillars of German industry and small and medium-sized enterprises. Since 2016, the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Climate Action, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMUKN) has been using its **Export Initiative Environmental Protection (EXI)** to fund projects supporting knowledge transfer and the application of German environmental and resource efficiency technologies worldwide. Global environmental protection and climate action will only succeed if the necessary infrastructure is available and supported by legal, policy and administrative frameworks.

Funding objective

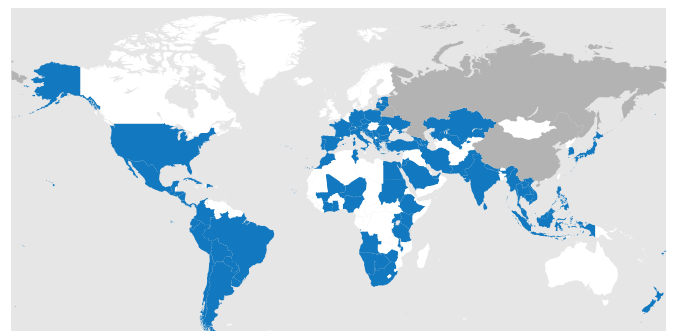
The funding programme supports the German clean and green tech sector in working with local partners to implement sustainable technical solutions to environmental problems worldwide. As an environmental programme with a clear economic focus, it supports projects in the following areas:

- Circular economy and resource management
- Water and wastewater technology
- Off-grid green hydrogen and fuel cell technologies
- Innovative cross-cutting technologies

Supporting sustainable infrastructure worldwide for greater environmental benefits

Projects supported by the **Export Initiative Environmental Protection** should aim to provide a significant environmental benefit while promoting the global use of smart clean and green tech components and innovative solutions 'made in Germany'. Investment measures such as pilot plants are also supported. This funding programme does not have a traditional product export focus. Rather, it prioritises the establishment of sustainable infrastructure and frameworks to secure greater environmental benefits.

Overview: Countries with EXI projects



■ Countries with EXI projects ■ Ended collaboration



An EXI tree-planting campaign in Cidade de Praia, Cape Verde, involving the German-Portuguese Chamber of Commerce, the German Ambassador to Cape Verde and the local project partner. © AHK Portugal

Funding programme at a glance

- **Launch:** 2016 by the German Federal Environment Ministry
- **Project executing agency:**
Zukunft – Umwelt – Gesellschaft (ZUG) gGmbH
- **Funding objective:** Supporting sustainable infrastructure and investments worldwide for greater environmental benefits
- **Funding procedure:** Project selection in a two-stage procedure (submission of project outline and project proposal)
- **Target groups:** German clean and green tech businesses, specifically including SMEs, civil society stakeholders, scientific institutions and representatives of a range of German institutes working to ensure increased deployment of (environmental) infrastructure abroad
- **Application eligibility:** Organisations, particularly clubs and associations, businesses working in trade and commerce, universities and non-university research institutions with offices, premises or branches in Germany
- **Additional activity:** tree planting initiatives in the host countries



Further information:
www.exportinitiative-umweltschutz.de/en/

203

funded projects



106

participating
companies/organisations



97

countries



82

million euros
funding volume



Figures are cumulative and rounded values since the start of the funding programme in 2016.

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