



Sustainable Peri-Urban framework
for Climate Neutral development

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Nexus for Funding and Incentives (NFI)



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General Information

Solution Name

Nexus for Funding and Incentives (NFI)]

Solution Type

Digital Tool

Solution Owner

PwC

TRL Level

Starting TRL6 - Target TRL8

Challenge solved

Target Pain Point

Cities, industries and peri-urban stakeholders face fragmented, complex and fast-changing funding landscapes (EU, national, regional). This makes it difficult to identify, prioritise and combine financing instruments that can effectively support climate-neutral investments and transition actions.

The Innovation

Core Functionality

- Centralised mapping of EU funding and incentive schemes relevant to climate neutrality
- Alignment of funding opportunities with specific investment needs and project maturity
- Support for combining different instruments (grants, loans, incentives, blending)
- Decision-support for prioritising funding pathways based on feasibility and impact

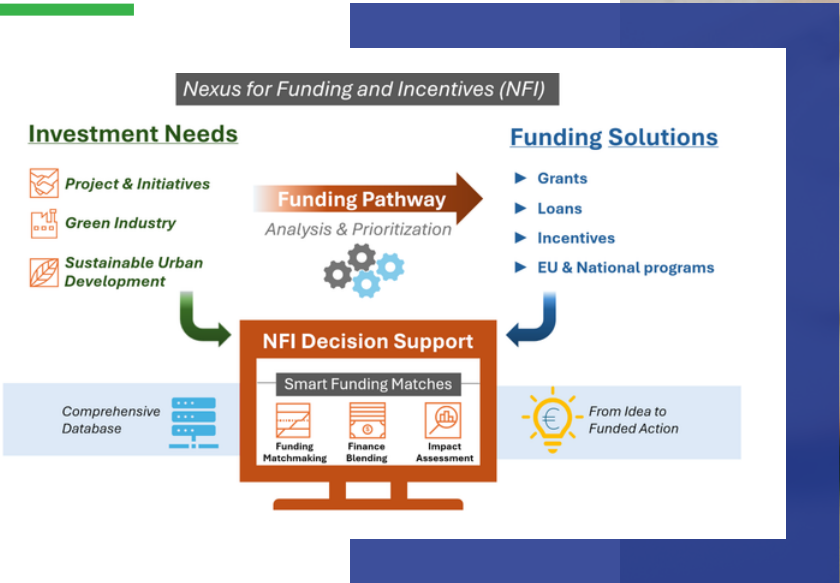
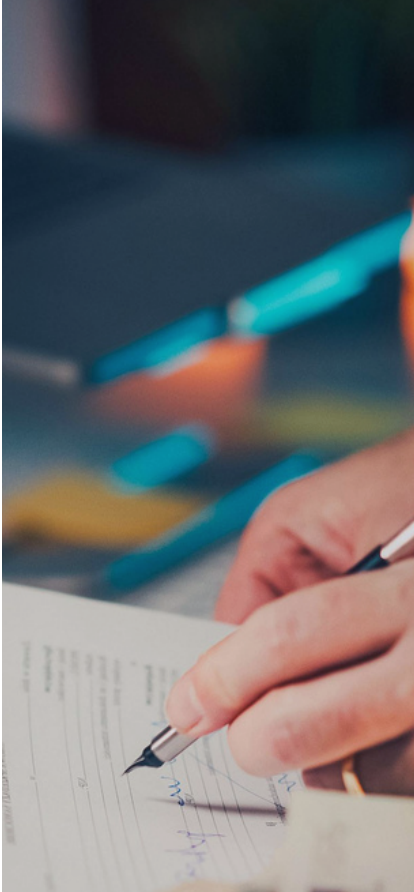


Beyond State of the Art

While several EU-level platforms and tools already exist to map funding opportunities, they are typically fragmented by function, focusing either on funding catalogues, project pipelines, or AI-based call discovery.

The Nexus for Funding & Incentives (NFI) goes beyond this fragmentation by acting as an all-in-one strategic decision-support tool. It connects funding and incentive instruments with real investment pipelines, Local Green Deals, and Living Lab needs, enabling users to move from project ideas to prioritised, financeable investment pathways.

By integrating technical, financial and governance perspectives in a single framework, NFI supports informed decision-making on how different funding sources (grants, loans, incentives, blended finance) can be combined and sequenced to effectively advance climate-neutral investments.



User value - Benefits

01

Clear visibility of relevant funding and incentive opportunities for climate-neutral investments

02

Reduced time and effort for public authorities and industry to structure bankable projects

03

Improved alignment between policy goals, financing instruments and local investment needs

Implementation and validation

Living Lab

Tested and validated across all three SpurUP Living Labs:

- Thessaloniki (Greece)
- Aalborg (Denmark)
- Jesi (Italy)

Replication Potential

The NFI framework can be easily replicated in other European cities and regions by adapting:

- Local financing contexts
- Regional funding programmes
- Investment priorities and sectoral focus

This makes it suitable for replication sites and wider EU deployment.

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