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Executive Summary

This deliverable includes call guidelines and outline, including criteria and conditions. OLAMUR will publish its open call widely and adhere to the EU standards of transparency, equal treatment, conflict of interest and confidentiality, and remain open for at least 2 months. All other condition listed in WP General Annexes – B will be followed and implemented.

The OLAMUR project consortium aims at supporting 5 Associated Regions, considering the maximum financial support of EUR 100 000 to showcase the feasibility, replicability and scale up of the solutions developed within the project in associated regions.

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Introduction

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To address the impact driven approach of the mission OLAMUR will engage with other areas/regions (associated regions) that can benefit from the demonstration activities to showcase the feasibility, replicability and scale up of the solutions developed within the project in associated regions. Areas and locations where the solutions are replicable will be co-identified and blueprints and roadmaps will be drawn up. Associated regions can be based both within Europe (i.e. other Mission Basins including the Black Sea / Mediterranean / Atlantic) but also on a wider global basis. This will ensure a broad information exchange both within and external to the project consortium, maximising opportunities for identifying best practice, innovations and shared knowledge.

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By joining OLAMUR as an Associated Region you will have the opportunity to access our expertise and tools. The technical assistance to the associated regions will include the provision of technical advisory services necessary to develop your own roadmaps, plans and projects for low-impact marine aquaculture and multi-purpose use of marine space in the associated region addressing possible barriers and showing the feasibility of implementing innovative solutions from OLAMUR.

The types of activities that can receive financial support are marine spatial planning, low-trophic aquaculture in wind farms, robotics, governance, or carbon-neutral aquaculture.

The OLAMUR call for Associated Regions will open on 1st of February 2024 inviting local and/or regional authorities from an associated region to submit their application to contribute to the mission of the OLAMUR project.

Application deadline is 31st of March 2024, 17:00 (CET).

Each Associated Region can request funding up to 100,000 EUR in this call (see the specific details for funding and budget break-down in the proposal template). Successful applicants will work closely with correspondent OLAMUR partners to implement this project. Progress status must be presented and reported according to chapter 5 in guidelines for applicants.

We are targeting local and/or regional authorities from an associated region. Eligible applicants are local and/or regional organisations (public bodies) from EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries other than those that are part of the OLAMUR consortium which are: Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Estonia, Lithuania, Germany, Belgium, Italy. See also section 2.

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In the long term (beyond the lifespan of OLAMUR) we expect that information and experience from the Associated Region will reinforce the OLAMUR lighthouse preparedness for the deployment and upscaling phase.

The overall procedure

The OLAMUR call for Associated Regions starts with a widely published call for proposals, which are specified with a clearly defined application procedure. Applications will be reviewed by the members of the consortium as well as by invited external experts chosen prior to the call. Proposals will be scored based on a predetermined set of selection criteria. See Annex 1. Guidelines for applicants.

The activities can include marine spatial planning, low-trophic aquaculture in wind farms, robotics, governance or carbon-neutral aquaculture.

Detailed descriptions of the call guidelines, outline, criteria and conditions can be found attached in **Annex 1. Guidelines for applicants** and **Annex 2. Proposal template**.



Annex 1.

OLAMUR OPEN CALL

Guidelines for applicants



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1 Introduction

1.1 OLAMUR project

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More information on the conceptual approach can be found in the Project Background (section 8) below and on the project’s homepage <https://olamur.eu>

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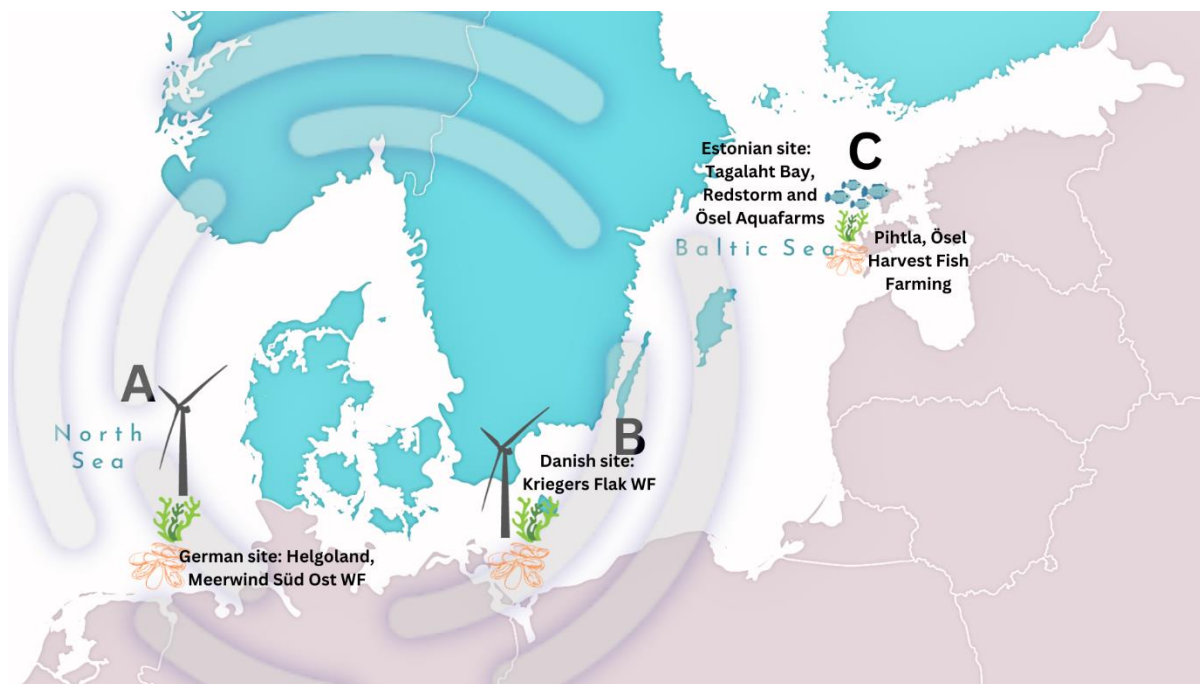


Fig.1. Pilot case study sites A: Germany (North Sea), B. Denmark (Baltic Sea), C: Estonia (Baltic Sea). Case study A and B show two OWFs in the North Sea and the Baltic Sea, respectively. In both wind farms, low trophic aquaculture (LTA) will be carried out (macro-algae and bivalves). Case Study C shows a pilot in the Baltic Sea (Estonia), where a synergy between an already existing fish farm and a LTA with will be conducted.

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2 Who can apply

The call targets local and/or regional authorities from associated regions other than those that are part of the OLAMUR consortium. Applicants from Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Estonia, Lithuania, Germany, Belgium, Italy is therefore not eligible for funding.

The eligible applicants for this opportunity are local and/or regional organisations (public bodies) from EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries.

Please note that the list of [associated countries](#) may change over time, and it is recommended to check the latest list of eligible countries before applying.

Projects must include a local/regional authority. Eligible applicants must provide evidence that the areas to be associated can benefit from the demonstration activities. The financial support to third parties will be awarded to local and/or regional authorities from an 'associated region'. 'Associated regions' are understood as areas with similar ecosystems (e.g. neighboring regions and/or regions in a different sea basin) and/or less-developed regions, to build capacity to implement the innovative solutions developed in OLAMUR. The 'associated regions' may be represented by (i) individual organisation or (ii) a consortium.

Applicants must be eligible for participation in the EC Horizon Europe Framework Programme and must ensure the following obligations of the Grant Agreement, namely Articles 12 (conflict of interest), 13 (confidentiality and security), 14 (ethics), 17.2 (visibility), 18 (specific rules for carrying out action), 19 (information) and 20 (recordkeeping).

Following the Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2506, as of 16th December 2022, no legal commitments can be signed with Hungarian public interest trusts established under Hungarian Act IX of 2021 or any entity they maintain. Affected entities may continue to apply to calls for proposals. However, in case the Council measures are not lifted, such entities are not eligible to participate in any funded role (beneficiaries, affiliated entities, subcontractors, recipients of financial support to third parties). In this case, co-applicants will be invited to remove or replace that entity and/or to change its status into associated partner. Tasks and budget may be redistributed accordingly. Please note that in the Funding & Tender portal there is a FAQs focusing on the specific implications for Horizon Europe actions which will be regularly updated.

Third parties listed under the EU Sanctions map will also not be eligible for financial support from the OLAMUR project.

3 Submission and Evaluation

3.1 Important dates

- Opening date: 1st of February 2024
- Closing date: 31st of March 2024
- Granting completed: 31st of May 2024
- Project implementation: From 1st July 2024.

3.2 Submission Procedure

Applicants must submit their proposal as a pdf-file by e-mail to the call management (olamur@hi.no) by the given deadline. The proposal template must be used and are available for the applicants to download from <https://olamur.eu>. Applicants can only submit one proposal for this call. Proposals must be written in English which is the main language for communication.

The submission will be acknowledged by the call management and only after the confirmation the proposal can be regarded as submitted. It is advised to not wait until the last moment to

submit. If the submission is not confirmed within 1 day, and the call deadline has not yet passed, contact the call management at olamur@hi.no.

3.3 Evaluation

Proposals will first be checked for that the formal eligibility criteria are in accordance with the grant agreement and European Regulations by the call management. Evaluation of the projects will be conducted by members of the project consortium and external experts, three in total per project. Proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

1. Relevance

How much does the proposal relate to the OLAMUR project?

2. Excellence

Contribution to the main goal of OLAMUR. How the associated region proposes to apply the OLAMUR solutions in the respective replication region.

3. Impact

What will be the impact of the project by joining OLAMUR? Expected impact for the associated region and OLAMUR.

4. Implementation

Will consider the plans for interaction and co-creation processes with the OLAMUR consortium and the development of plans for upscaling in the region based on local constraints and opportunities by the applicant.

5. Feasibility

Whether the planned outcome is realistic.

Whether the requested resources are realistic for achieving the planned outcome.

Sufficient expertise of the applicants carrying out the work and how strong is the local network of the organisation behind this proposal.

Proposals will be scored in the range of 0-5 for each criterion. Maximum score for a proposal is 25. Proposals must score above an overall threshold of 15 to be considered for funding within the limits of the available budget.

Definitions of scores:

0=The proposal fails to address the criterion or cannot be assessed due to missing or incomplete information.

1=Poor. The criterion is inadequately addressed, or there are serious inherent weaknesses.

2=Fair. The proposal broadly addresses the criterion, but there are significant weaknesses.

3=Good. The proposal addresses the criterion well, but a few shortcomings are present.

4=Very Good. The proposal addresses the criterion very well, but a small number of shortcomings are present.

5=Excellent. The proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criterion. Any shortcomings are minor.

When evaluated by the experts, the Executive Committee (ExC) will receive the proposals above the threshold and rank them.

4 Awarding Procedure and Timeline

OLAMUR aims for a prompt evaluation procedure of approximately two months duration.

The ExC will rank the proposals and make a prioritized list based on the evaluation criteria. This list will be sent to the EU project officer for approval within 2 months after the application deadline. All applicants will receive a letter by e-mail of the outcome of the evaluation from the call management. Associated regions will be assigned. The successful proposals will be notified, and call funding will be distributed after agreeing on a project plan together with the ExC and the EU project officer and signing a contract. A summary of each of the awarded associated regions will be published online at <https://olamur.eu>

5 Grant Implementation

The successful applicants will be informed about the award by means of an electronic funding letter. After signing a legally binding contract between the coordinating organization Havforskninginstituttet (the Grantor) and the (main) applicant (the Grantee), and communicating applicant's bank account information, the pre-financing will be transferred to the Grantee by Havforskninginstituttet on behalf of the OLAMUR consortium. The Grantees will receive a pre-financing of 50% at the start of the project and the remaining 50% after approval of the final report.

The Grantee is expected to implement the project based on effort and activities, meaning that the promised project results are expected to be delivered within the specified timeframe. If a deliverable cannot be achieved, the Grantee must inform OLAMUR management in a timely manner and propose mitigation strategies. The proposed strategies will then be negotiated with the OLAMUR ExC and EU project officer.

A project report will be required at the end of the grant implementation and the results must be presented to the OLAMUR ExC for review. The final payment to the Grantee will depend on the positive outcome of the project review. The Grantee will receive the final payment only after acceptance of the final report.

Documents required from the Grantee:

- Completed and signed grant agreement (contract).

- Final project report.
- Final financial report.

5.1 Integration and capacity building

During implementation, the Grantees will be invited to the consortium meetings and will get access to selected results of the project. If suitable, the consortium will integrate the Grantee in the relevant work package and appoint a contact person from the consortium who supports them in promoting the applicant's contributions. During the grant implementation, the grant owners must present their current state of the project at the consortium meeting either in person or virtually or, if the time of the meeting is inappropriate, at a negotiated appointment.

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5.2 Reporting

The Grantees need to report their progress to the OLAMUR project at the yearly consortium meetings. At the end of the project a final project and financial report must also be produced.

6 Legal Part

6.1 Declarations

Note that to evaluate your proposal within the third-party call pipeline, the processing of personal data will take place. Personal data submitted within the proposal will be processed in accordance with applicable EU and national data protection law. Such data will be processed by the OLAMUR consortium partners and the external reviewers for the purposes of evaluating the proposed project and implementing, managing, and monitoring the evaluation process. After the evaluation process, personal information on rejected proposals will be deleted, except for reporting obligations towards the EU. All personal information from the applicants, particularly the information used in reporting, will be treated as sensitive information according to Article 13.1 of the [General Model Grant Agreement](#). Personal

information for accepted proposals will be used by the consortium to prepare the contract, which regulates all further use of personal data in the project implementation. In case the contract fails, the proposal will be treated as rejected.

Please check-mark the respective declarations to confirm that you have read and understood this information clause concerning processing of the personal data; that you have the legal basis for processing personal data of your team members mentioned in the application; that you will pass the information clause provided under legal part of the proposal to all team members concerned.

Applicants will be asked to acknowledge such declarations:

- You have read and understood the relevant information above.
- You agree to participate in the OLAMUR project;
- You understand that you can withdraw at any time without giving reasons and that you will not be penalized for withdrawing nor will you be questioned on why you have withdrawn;
- You acknowledge that the reviewers and the European Commission and its bodies and agencies may have access to the data collected under the open call;
- The data provided in the application form are true and up-to-date;
- The entity you represent meets the eligibility conditions described in call conditions;
- There is no conflict of interest between the organisation you represent and any of the OLAMUR consortium partners or the reviewers;
- You did not make false declarations in supplying the information required, as a condition of participation in the Open Calls and do not fail to supply this information;
- Published results will require to acknowledge the funding from OLAMUR:



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6.2 Contract

OLAMUR will ensure proper use of the funding by the recipients and that they comply with the conditions listed by signing a contract that will include the following obligations:

- Avoiding conflict of interest (see Article 12)
- Confidentiality and security obligations (see Article 13)
- Ethics (see Article 14)
- Give visibility to the EU funding (see Article 17.2)
- Respect specific rules for the action implementation (see Article 18)
- Information obligations (see Article 19)

- Record-keeping (see Article 20)
- The granting authority; the European Court of Auditors (ECA); the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF)) will have the right to carry out checks, reviews, audits and investigations on the recipients, and in particular to audit the payments received (see Article 25). If access is denied by the recipient, the costs will be rejected. This will be specified and implemented in the contract between OLAMUR and the recipient.

7 Contact

If you have any question related to the call or application procedure, feel free to contact us on:

olamur@hi.no

8 Project Background

OLAMUR aims to bring together the existing state-of-the-art practices in MU-LTA related key sectors, to develop and demonstrate a sustainable solution for commercial MU-LTA in both low and high salinity, high eutrophic and high energetic offshore waters. The relevant data, information, products and standards for establishing, operating and evaluating such a solution will be monitored, simulated, stored and customized as an “OLAMUR digital MU-LTA farm service”. This will provide a solid basis for MU-LTA upscaling in the next phase of the Ocean Mission (2025 -2026).

Through a holistic and inter-, transdisciplinary approach, the project aims to demonstrate and document the possibilities for co-use of marine space. We will address how offshore LTA can contribute to a more resilient and sustainable food production within the EU. The carbon footprint, the nutrient budget, the nutritional quality, and the food safety of the products will be assessed. A data-based service system will be developed for policymakers for knowledge-based smart decisions, and innovative governance arrangements and related policy levers will be developed towards achieving a holistic, effective and sustainable governance of multiple uses. To accomplish such ambitious goals, OLAMUR will focus on three geographically and ecologically different pilot locations throughout the Baltic and North Sea that can serve as testing and demonstration sites.

Eight Specific objectives (SO) are pursued by the project:

SO1: Establishment of 3 pilot demonstration sites where seaweed and bivalves will be farmed within an OWF (Germany/North Sea and Denmark/Baltic) or in combination with finfish aquaculture (Estonia/Baltic).

SO2: Identify suitable locations for multi-purpose uses of the marine space that can support the future

development of low-impact and low-carbon uses in the North Sea and Baltic Sea.

SO3: Assessment of the suitability of multi-purpose use locations for the industrial production of low trophic species of economic interest in the North Sea and Baltic Sea.

SO4: Develop a robotics and model-based monitoring, forecasting and assessment capacity for enabling corresponding services for aquafarms and decision makers

SO5: Develop a data-based management support system enabling a market-wide monitoring and data analysis for aquaculture, offering services, including risk analysis, to aquaculture producers for monitoring, minimizing diseases and alien species, managing inputs, optimizing sustainable production and demand management.

SO6: Performing a Cradle-to-Cradle System level LCA and multi-actor TEA to ensure economic viability for all actors along the value chains as well as documenting system value of the circular resource management systems and their contribution to growth positive values beyond financial profits.

SO7: Co-create holistic multi-level governance solutions for innovations in offshore seaweed and shellfish farming within windmill farms by comparatively assessing the governance structures in the 3 pilot sites, at all relevant levels from local to global, and involving all relevant stakeholders from science, policy, industry, society.

SO8: Foster communication and interaction with the sector to properly warrant their needs, provide recommendations, and transfer the project outputs to both private and public stakeholders.

These specific objectives closely address the consortium's identified main barriers to be overcome, expand and commercialize offshore seaweed and bivalve farming within wind farms and in integrated concepts. OLAMUR deliverables include data, tools, information on governance and sustainability, insights and technologies that are needed by offshore LTA value chain stakeholders to overcome extant barriers for upscaling and commercialization. Furthermore, market opportunities, risk management strategies and training will be provided. In this way, OLAMUR will contribute to a robust development of offshore LTA within wind or fish farms, which could enhance European feed and food security whilst reducing the environmental footprints and contributing to the blue circular bioeconomy.

More information can be found on:

<https://olamur.eu>

Annex 2.

Proposal template



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This template consists of

A: General guidance

B: Project proposal template with guidance text

A. General guidance

The project proposal will be read by the peer reviewers and will be the basis for the reviewer's assessment. The proposed project should be presented clearly, using language that is also understandable to individuals with a general understanding of the field.

Complete the chapters and sections in the template, following the order of the items as given in part B, and delete the guidance text (A) and B (text written in *italic*). The template is designed to address all the elements of the assessment criteria. Nevertheless, the applicant is strongly advised to read the evaluation criteria, the call text and guidelines for applicants carefully.

The project proposal cannot exceed 15 pages in total, including budget and declaration. Submit the proposal as pdf by e-mail to: olamur@hi.no within given deadline.

B. Project proposal template with guidance text

Project title

Provide a full title and an acronym.

1. Applicant

Contact information

Provide information from main applicant

First name:

Last name:

E-mail:

Phone number:

Web page:

Postal address:

Affiliation

Organisation name:

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Department:

Organisation address:

PIC (if available):

Organisation website:

Location of your associated region

Country:

Region/Province/County:

Municipality:

2. Description of work

This chapter should provide a description of the planned project, to enable an assessment according to the evaluation criteria (see Guidelines for applicants).

2.1 Excellence

- *Summarise the state of the art and describe the knowledge needs and challenges that justify the initiation of the project.*
- *Clearly define the challenge in your associated region and why your team and region could support the goals for the EU Mission Restore our Ocean and Waters reflecting the objectives of OLAMUR and why you would like to join the OLAMUR project.*
- *How do you propose to apply OLAMUR solutions in the respective replication region?*
- *Provide enough detail to enable reviewers to understand what you are proposing, how it will be carried out and whether it is feasible.*
- *Give a brief account of possible risks that might endanger achievement of project and describe how to manage these risks.*
- *Describe the contribution to OLAMUR in detail.*

2.2 Impact

This chapter should describe the expected impact for the associated region and OLAMUR, and also what will be the impact of the project by joining OLAMUR. The chapter should also specify the planned measures for dissemination, communication, and engagement activities.

2.3 Implementation

This chapter should provide a description of the project team, task allocation, organisation and management. Describe the plans for interaction and co-creation processes with the OLAMUR consortium and the development of plans for upscaling in the region based on local constraints and opportunities by the applicant.

3. Requested budget and rationale

The maximum requested budget is 100 000 euros per project.

Budget in €	2024	2025	2026			
Personnel costs						
Subcontracting						
Travel						
Equipment						
Other goods, works and services						
Total	0	0	0			
Funding from EU - max € 100 000,-						
Funding in-kind contribution						
Total person month (how many workinghours per month - example 1 PM = 140 hours (5 days*7 hours*4 weeks). Add total PM in the table						

3.1 Budget Justification

Give rationale for the requested funds in the budget narrative. Please note that the budget categories are only used for assessing the requested amounts during the review process. Specific accounting and reporting modalities will be set up upon contracting of successful proposals. Guidelines see EU Grants – AGA – Annotated Grant Agreement – (version 1.0 – DRAFT 01 April 2023) [aga_en.pdf \(europa.eu\)](#)

4. Legal part: Declarations

Note that to evaluate your proposal within the third-party call pipeline, the processing of personal data will take place. Personal data submitted within the proposal will be processed in accordance with applicable EU and national data protection law. Such data will be processed by the OLAMUR project. Consortium partners and the external reviewers for the purposes of evaluating the proposed project and implementing, managing, and monitoring the evaluation process. After the evaluation process, personal information on rejected proposals will be deleted, except for reporting obligations towards the EU. All personal information from the applicants, particularly the information used in reporting, will be treated as sensitive information according to Article 13.1 of the General Model Grant Agreement, version 1.1, 15.04.2022. Personal information for accepted proposals will be used by the consortium to prepare the contracts, which regulates all further use of personal data in the project implementation. In case contracts fail, the proposal will be treated as rejected. Please check-mark the respective declarations to confirm that you have read and understood this information clause concerning processing of the personal data; that you have the legal basis for processing personal data of your team members mentioned in the application; that you will pass the information clause provided under legal part of the proposal to all team members concerned.

- You confirm that you read and understood the information clause concerning processing of the personal data.
- You confirm that you have a legal basis for processing personal data of the team members listed in the application form.
- You will pass the information clause provided to all team members mentioned in the application form.

4.1 Declaration of Honour

- You have read and understood the relevant information. Questions could be resolved via asking the consortium;
- You agree to participate in the OLAMUR project;
- You understand you can withdraw at any time without giving reasons and that you will not be penalized for withdrawing nor will you be questioned on why you have withdrawn;
- You acknowledge that the evaluators and the European Commission and its bodies and agencies may have access to the data collected under the open call;
- The data provided in the application form are true and up-to-date;
- The entity that you represent meets the eligibility conditions described in the guidelines for applicants;
- There is no conflict of interest between the organisation you represent and any of the consortium partners;
- You did not make false declarations in supplying the information required, as a condition of participation in the Open Call or do not fail to supply this information;
- That published results will acknowledge the funding received from the OLAMUR project (funded by the EC under the GA 101094065) and undergo a peer-review process.

Date:

I understand and agree to the statements above:

Title and signature