



Empower Your Transition to Clean Energy with the CEF Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Facility

Deloitte is poised to assist your organization in leveraging the transformative impact of the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Facility. This initiative is a cornerstone in the EU's commitment to establishing a comprehensive network of alternative fuel stations. It serves as an essential driver for the transition to low-emission mobility.

Grant Programme Summary

The CEF Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Facility is designed to accelerate the deployment of infrastructure needed to support alternative fuels like electric charging points and hydrogen refueling stations. This initiative is crucial in facilitating the widespread adoption of alternative fuel vehicles (AFV), in alignment with the EU's environmental

objectives and the push towards a more sustainable transport ecosystem.

What projects are eligible for funding?

This call for proposals covers the roll-out of alternative fuels infrastructure for road, maritime, inland waterway, and air transport along the TEN-T network (a planned network of roads, railways,

airports, and water infrastructure in the European Union). It is meant to support implementation projects. In addition to the support to high power electricity recharging stations and hydrogen refuelling stations, the following new funding opportunities will be available:

- Support to Megawatt recharging stations for Heavy Duty Vehicles
- Support to electricity and hydrogen supply at airports
- Support to electricity supply and ammonia and methanol bunkering facilities in ports

Budget and funding rates

The grant offers significant financial assistance. The specific grant amount and co-financing rate can vary depending on the project scale, its reach, and the type of infrastructure being developed providing co-financing that may cover a notable portion of your eligible expenses.

The unit contributions differ from € 20.000 to € 60.000 per charging point.

The co-financing rates range from 30% to 70% of eligible costs within the 'General Envelope' and from 50% to 70% within the 'Cohesion Envelope' (which is reserved for the 15 EU (European Union) Member States eligible for support from the Cohesion Fund).

It functions as a co-financing instrument requiring that 10% of the eligible costs of the project are financed by an Implementing Partner (the European Investment Bank (EIB) or other national promotional banks), or a Non-implementing Partner (other public or private financial institutions in the EU, for example commercial banks). This is called blending.

For whom is the CEF AFIF available?

- Companies (port companies, industrial, logistics and service companies)
- Governments (national, provinces, municipalities)



When to apply?

AFIF will be implemented through a rolling call for proposals, with three cut-off dates for the submission of proposals until the end of 2025. Applicants can submit their proposals before any of the three cut-off dates:

- 24 September 2024 at 17.00 (CET)
- 11 June 2025 at 17.00 (CET)
- 17 December 2025 at 17.00 (CET)

Start preparing your application early, months before the deadline, since you must involve a (non)Implementing Partner and you must obtain written approval on your application from your national government.

How Deloitte Can Help

Strategic Advisory: Draw upon our in-depth understanding of EU funding mechanisms to align your project with the CEF's strategic priorities.

Application Excellence: Our specialists can aid you in crafting a well-structured and persuasive grant application, maximizing your project's potential for funding approval.

Financial Expertise: Tap into our financial advisory services to ensure that your projections and budgeting are precise, comprehensive, and compliant with grant guidelines.

Get in touch with Deloitte for tailored support that will elevate your application.

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