

Criteria for assessing the application for co-financing under the Programme of EEA FM 2014-2021 Environment, Energy, Climate Change
" Geothermal energy production "

1st DEGREE MERIT CRITERIA

Eligibility criterion – To be assessed by the National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management

No.	Criterion	Criterion description	Assessment rules: Yes/No	Comment
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
	Project's eligibility	It will be assessed whether the type of project fits in the catalogue indicated on the open call announcement. Basis for assessment: application form with attachments	Yes/No	

State aid appraisal- To be filled in by the technical unit responsible for the assessment in the field of state aid

No.	Criterion name	Criterion description	Assessment rules: Yes/No	Comments
	The financing is in line with the state aid rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appraisal if the co-financing constitutes state aid; • if the grant constitutes state aid, appraisal if the aid complies with the provisions/regulations governing the state aid 	Yes/No	

Financial evaluation - To be completed by the technical unit responsible for the financial evaluation of the project

No.	Criterion name	Criterion description	Assessment rules: Yes/No	Comments
1	Applicant's financial standing/situation – current and forecasted - including feasibility and financial durability analysis	As part of the criterion, the following will be assessed, in particular: 1) the applicant's ability to ensure the feasibility and financial sustainability of the project on the basis of analysis of	Yes/No/Non-applicable	

		<p>the applicant's financial reports and projections;</p> <p>2) the correctness of the assumptions used for financial analysis;</p> <p>3) confirmed, reliable sources of project co-financing (if applicable);</p> <p>4) possibility of establishing a financial security (if applicable).</p> <p>The criterion will be assessed using the provisions of the Instruction: "Securing the NFEPWM's claims arising from contracts for project co-financing", regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - rules for setting collaterals for any claims under loans/subsidies arising from concluded contracts and contracts in the process of conclusion for co-financing projects from the NFEPWM, including projects co-financed from non-returnable foreign funds, and - defining the general principles for carrying out financial evaluations of grant applications. <p>Basis for assessment: application form with attachments.</p>		
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Equality criterion – To be assessed by the National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management

No	Criterion	Criterion description	Assessment rules: Yes/No/Not applicable	Comment
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
	The project is in line with equal opportunities and non-discrimination rules	<p>As part of the criterion, it will be assessed whether the project has a positive (or at least neutral) influence on in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accessibility for people with disabilities. • Gender equality 	Yes/No/Not applicable	

2nd DEGREE MERIT CRITERIA

Mandatory evaluation criteria to fill in: potential of geothermal source documented (2), costs eligibility (7)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Principles of assessing the criterion</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>max Scoring</u>	<u>max Result</u>
1.	Project Implementation Readiness	<p>Possession of administrative permits and decisions necessary to implement the project, as well as financial resources</p> <p>Number of points awarded for the subsequent stages of project preparation (points awarded under the criterion add up - max. 6 points):</p> <p>1 point - the project has hydrogeological documentation</p> <p>1 point - the project has a final environmental decision covering the entire investment (if applicable)</p> <p>1 point - the project has obtained a final construction permit (if applicable) or other equivalent administrative decision for 100% of the material scope of the project</p> <p>1 point - the applicant has documents confirming the disposal of funds to finance investment</p> <p>1 point - the applicant has a documented right to dispose of 100% of the land or objects for the investment</p> <p>1 point - the applicant holds a promise of concession or concession for energy production within the meaning of art. 12 of the Energy Law</p> <p>Note: If a given readiness stage does not apply to given project, it receives 1 point for given stage.</p>	1	6	6
2.	Potential of geothermal source confirmed	<p>The applicant documented the positive results of the research phase which proved the energy potential of the geothermal source</p> <p>3 points: proven production history and positive pressure balance results</p> <p>2 points: proven results from a production well</p> <p>1 point: positive research drilling results</p> <p>Obtaining 0 points in this element results in rejection of the application</p>	1	3	3
3.	Expenditures from the EEA FM grant for a 1 MWh of the planned annual heat production	<p>The value of expenditure planned to be incurred from the EEA FM grant, understood as the total applied for funding from the EEA FM, per 1 MWh of the planned annual useable heat production - index value in PLN/MWh/year</p> <p>Points will be awarded for achieving a given value of the indicator (X) of expenditure from the EEA FM grant (PLN) per 1 MWh of planned energy production during the year.</p> <p>Points are awarded as follows:</p>	4	4	16

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $X \leq 400$ - 4 points • $400 < X \leq 1000$ - 3 points • $1000 < X \leq 1600$ - 2 points • $X > 1600$ - 0 points 			
4.	Expenditures from the EEA FM grant for a unit reduction of annual CO ₂ emissions	<p>The value of expenditures planned to be incurred from EEA FM grant, understood as the total amount of funding requested from the EEA FM for the reduction of 1 ton of CO₂/year.</p> <p>Points will be awarded for achieving a given value of the EEA FM indicator (PLN) (X) per an annual reduction of 1 ton of CO₂. Points are awarded as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $X \leq 1\,500$ - 4 pkt • $1\,500 < X \leq 3\,000$ - 3 pkt • $3\,000 < X \leq 5\,000$ - 2 pkt • $X > 5\,000$ - 0 pkt 	4	4	16
5	Expenditures from the EEA FM grant for 1 MW of installed capacity	<p>The value of outlays incurred from the EEA FM grant is assessed, understood as the total value of co-financing applied for from the EEA FM grants, per 1 MW of installed (electricity) capacity.</p> <p>Points will be awarded for achieving a given value of the expenditure ratio from the EEA FM grant (PLN million) (X) per 1 MW of the installed capacity. Points are awarded as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $X \leq 1\,000\,000$ - 4 pkt • $1\,000\,000 < X \leq 2\,000\,000$ - 3 pkt • $2\,000\,000 < X \leq 4\,000\,000$ - 2 pkt • $X > 4\,000\,000$ - 0 pkt 	4	4	16
6.	Additional environmental benefits associated with the implementation of the project	<p>Points will be awarded for projects contributing to improving air quality in urban areas:</p> <p>3 points - improvement of air quality by assuming the use of heat generated in urban areas.</p> <p>0 points - no improvement in air quality by assuming the use of heat generated in urban areas.</p>	1	3	3
7.	Costs Eligibility	<p>Do all costs (incurred or to be incurred) within project are strictly related to the project scope and are necessary to its completion?</p> <p>1 point - all costs planned to be incurred are necessary to project implementation and its effect achievement and comply with eligible costs catalogue</p> <p>0 points - not all expenses planned to be incurred are necessary to implement the project and its effect achievement and comply with eligible costs catalogue</p> <p>Obtaining 0 points in this criterion causes the application to be rejected.</p>	1	1	1
8.	Participation of partners from Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein	<p>3 points – The project is implemented in partnership with a partner from Donor States: Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein (letter of intent or partnership agreement)</p> <p>1 point – The project is implemented in cooperation with a partner from Donor States: Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein (other documented partner participation/cooperation) –</p> <p>0 points – The project is not implemented in partnership/cooperation with a partner from Donor States: Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein</p>	1	3	3