

EPR Projects Lab

19 November 2026

10:00am – 5.00pm CET

EPR offices c/o Mundo Madou
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Agenda

09:30 - 09:45 **Welcome, Tour de Table and presentation of the Lab** (EPR all participants)

09:45 - 11:00 **Part 1: Training**

- Introduction to Goal Oriented Project Planning and the Logical Framework Approach
- Defining and analysing problems - Turning problems into objectives
- Components of the Logical Framework: problems, objectives, outcomes, activities, outputs, indicators, sources of verification

11:00 - 11:20 Coffee Break

11.20 – 13.00 **Work in groups**

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:30 **Work in groups**

15.30 - 15.50 Coffee break

15:50 - 16:20 **Feedback in Plenary**



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16:20 - 17:00 **Finalization of Logical Frameworks**

Registration

To attend the meeting, please register [HERE](#)

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Guidelines for Participants

Purpose of the Projects Lab

The Projects Lab is conceived as a practical and participatory workshop through which EPR members and the EPR Secretariat will work together to develop concrete logical frameworks based on real project ideas.

The workshop combines a brief training component with a hands on laboratory approach. Its purpose is both to strengthen participants' understanding of the Logical Framework Approach and to support the development of structured project concepts that may serve as a basis for future funding applications. In line with the agenda, the workshop is designed to produce 3 concrete logical frameworks as final outputs.

Who this training is designed for

This training is intended in particular for:

- project managers
- project writers
- grant officers and grant managers
- staff responsible for organisational development

Learning objectives

By the end of the Projects Lab, participants are expected to have:



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- acquired practical knowledge of the Logical Framework Approach
- strengthened their ability to define problems and objectives clearly
- strengthened their ability to identify indicators and sources of verification
- improved their capacity to design coherent activities linked to objectives
- enhanced the quality of the project applications they develop
- increased the likelihood of funding success through more structured proposals

Preparation before the lab

Once participants have been assigned to a specific topic, they are encouraged to come to the workshop with a limited number of relevant materials related to that topic. These may include articles, research findings, data, reports, policy references, or other documentation that may contribute to the discussion.

Participants are not expected to prepare in depth in advance. The main reflection, exchange, and analysis will take place during the lab itself. However, bringing a small number of relevant references can be valuable in helping to document the issue under discussion, support the contextual analysis, and enrich the collective work with concrete evidence.

Where useful, participants may also bring short notes drawn from their own organisational experience, including observed needs, practical examples, or references to previous initiatives relevant to the topic selected.

Methodology and workshop process

As foreseen in the draft agenda, the methodology is highly interactive and combines theory with practice. The workshop will include short introductory inputs, practical group work, examples drawn from the field, collective reflection, and plenary discussion.

Participants will be divided into 3 groups of 3 people. Each group will work with the facilitation of the EPR Secretariat on the development of a logical framework linked to a concrete project idea.

During the laboratory session, each group will work in a structured way on the following elements:

1. identification and definition of the problem, or problems, the project aims to address
2. formulation of the main objective and, where relevant, of the strategic objectives
3. identification of the activities required to achieve those objectives



4. definition of qualitative and quantitative indicators related both to activities and to objectives
5. identification of appropriate sources of verification for each indicator
6. reflection on the types of partners that would be needed to implement the project effectively, taking into account that different activities may require different forms of expertise and organisational profiles
7. exploration of a possible match between the project idea and an appropriate funding opportunity

To support the last step, EPR will provide a list of 10 possible funding opportunities. Each group will be invited to identify a possible match between its project idea and one of these opportunities.

The workshop will alternate between small group work and plenary moments. At the end of the laboratory session, each group will present its logical framework in plenary, receive comments and feedback from the other participants, and reflect on possible adjustments. This collective exchange is intended to strengthen the quality and coherence of the final outputs.

What participants should bring

EPR will provide the venue and all workshop materials required for the session, including pens, flipchart paper, post its, and other facilitation tools.

Participants are kindly asked to bring their own laptop. This may be useful during the group work, for example to consult online resources, verify data, access documents, or carry out brief research relevant to the topic under discussion.

Participants may also bring any digital or printed reference materials they consider useful for the workshop.

Resources and outputs provided

In line with the workshop proposal, participants will receive:

- training materials and presentations
- educational resources and materials for further learning
- the outputs developed during the laboratory, including the 3 logical frameworks produced during the workshop (each group will receive the structured logical framework developed during its own work session).



Follow up after the workshop

Following the workshop, it will be for the organisations involved in each project idea, together with EPR, to decide how they wish to proceed with the logical framework developed during the lab.

The intention is that these logical frameworks may, where appropriate, be further refined and transformed into actual funding applications, potentially already in late 2026 or early 2027. In this sense, the Projects Lab should be understood not only as a training opportunity, but also as a first concrete step in a possible project development process.

Participants are encouraged to approach the Projects Lab in a collaborative and open manner. The purpose of the day is not to produce a perfect project design from the outset, but to build a solid, structured, and evidence informed basis from which a stronger project concept may emerge.

