

SCF Call for Project Proposals

5th SCF Call: **Deadline 15 January 2014**

Introduction

The 5th SCF call asks for project proposals on a number of priority issues given in this call text – see next page. A proposal may relate to more than one priority issue – this will normally be beneficial.

Furthermore, other projects proposals related to the support of certification and standardisation as well as promotion and assurance of quality solar thermal technology can be handed in.

Total available budget for this call is approx. 180 k€. The indicative budgets given in the table next page reflects the priorities given by the SCF Steering group in advance – the final budget distribution will depend on the relevance and quality of the proposals handed in.

Where and how to deliver proposal

Proposal shall be e-mailed to:

- scf-call@estif.org

Please use the template given in latest version of document SCF_N0016 for applications. The template is available for download [here](#).

Please notice:

- *Fill in template - max. 4 pages.*
- *The complete proposal (including potential) annexes shall be submitted as ONE PDF file*
- ***The title of the e-mail shall start with: "SCF-proposal:" followed by the subject number and the acronym of proposal. Example: "SCF-proposal: 1 SCF5-SOLARKEYMARK".***

Deadline

Deadline for handing in proposals by e-mail is 15 January 2014, 15:00.

Evaluation of proposals

The proposals will be evaluated by members of the Solar Certification Fund Steering Group. Rating of proposals will be performed according to Annex A "Rating procedure".

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Priority subjects

No	Title of priority issue	Indicative budget k€	Examples of outcomes
1	Improving/promoting Solar Keymark scheme. Acronym: SCF5-SOLARKEYMARK	24	Enhanced scope, more flexibility, cheaper, faster, wider use geographically, more functionality, added values (incl. Energy Labelling parameters), promotion programmes/material ...(quantify the effects if possible)
2	EcoDesign/Energy Labelling Acronym: SCF5-ECOLab	23	Information about current status and improving implementing measures, overview of necessary changes in standards, concrete text proposals for revision of standards, development of products database, ...
3	CE-marking related to Construction Product Regulation (CPR) Acronym: SCF5-CE-CPR	18	Mapping of CE/CPR requirements and other relevant solar thermal requirements in all EU Member States, influencing and supporting CE/CPR implementation (if possible), adaption of Solar Keymark scheme to CE/CPR marking, ...
4	Support to Liaison CEN/TC312 officers Acronym: SCF5-LiasTCxxx	5 per officer	Liaison officers reporting to TC 312 and SKN (IEC/TC117, CEN/TC228,164,228,371, ...)
5	Support to CEN/TC312 working groups Acronym: SCF5-TC312WG	10	Support to TC312 WG secretariats dealing with high priority work like e.g. harmonised standards, urgent revisions, ...
6	Improving Solar Keymark database. Acronym: SCF5-DATABASE	16	Improved database: Better quality, better appearance, more functionality, added value (incl. Energy Labelling and EPBD parameters), easier access to data, ...
7	New/improved standards and related. Acronym:SCF5-STANDARD	16	Proposals for needed improvements in existing standards and/or needed new standards.
8	EPBD issues. Acronym: SC5-EPBD	15	Agreement with TC 371 / TC 228 on calculation method for solar heating/cooling systems, proposal for calculation method, ...
9	Global Certification Acronym: SCF5-GLOBCERT	14	Support to initiative on global certification,
10	Improving Solar Keymark testing. Acronym: SCF5-TESTING	14	Better quality of metrology measurements, organising round robin for new test procedures in order to have lower testing cost, reference collector ...
11	Celebration Solar Keymark 10th anniversary Acronym: SCF5-10ANNIVERSARY	5	Organise SK 10th anniversary event in parallel with a relevant solar thermal event, open for SKN & ESTIF members, SK licensees and others. Includes acquisition of sponsors as well as payments for expenses related to the event e.g. for catering, brochures, facility, etc.
12	Elaboration of eco-indicators Acronym: SCF5-ECOInd	12	Elaboration of a standardised procedure for the determination of eco-indicators like energetic amortisation times, primary energy savings over life time to be potentially included in SK certification schemes

Annex A “Rating procedure”

The evaluators will rate each of the proposals according to a set of pre-given criteria. The rating leads to an average “score” of the proposals, which is the input for the initial ranking which will be discussed during the “ranking meeting” by the evaluators. The rating will be on a scale of 1-10 per criterion. In order to be eligible for funding an average total score (all evaluators) of minimum 6 has to be reached. Furthermore a minimum score of 6 has to be reached for each criteria. Eligible proposals will be ranked based on their rating and chosen taking into account the overall budget allocated for this SCF call.

The following criteria will apply:

- **Effectiveness:** In how far does the proposal provide a solution / result on the requested topic in the call.
- **Quality:** How does the evaluator rate the quality of the proposal?
- **Contribution:** does the proposal either clearly addresses the topics mentioned in the call and/or contribute towards the professionalization of the solar thermal sector, like providing input for lobby work, showing new opportunities for the ST sector, create/promote a level playing field, reducing trade barriers.
- **Price- performance:** Are the proposed cost in the proposal in balance with the expected output of the project. In case the proposer offers to finance some of the project cost by other means, this should have a positive effect on the rating.
- **Competence and experience of the proposer:** Based on the CV, the company/ proposer’s profile and other sources such as e.g. previous experiences and projects carried out by the proposer the potential and capability of the proposer to carry out activities described in his proposal are assessed.

The applications are rated using the evaluation form below (to be submitted by each evaluator for each proposal).

Call subject:	<i>(filled in by the secretariat)</i>		Proposal:	<i>(filled in by the secretariat)</i>	
Proposer:	<i>(filled in by the secretariat)</i>		Amount requested:	<i>(filled in by the secretariat)</i>	
Evaluator:	<i>(filled in by the secretariat)</i>		Other contribution:	<i>(filled in by the secretariat)</i>	
The proposal qualifies:			Yes/no <i>(to be indicated by the evaluator).</i>		
If “no”- please give reason:			<i>(to be indicated by the evaluator).</i>		
Criteria (A)	Weight (B)	Rating scale 1-10 (C)	Weighted Rating (D)	Remarks	
Effectiveness	20 %	<i>(to be filled in by the evaluator).</i>	(B)x(C)	<i>(to be filled in by the evaluator).</i>	
Quality	20 %	<i>(to be filled in by the evaluator).</i>	(B)x(C)		
Contribution	20 %	<i>(to be filled in by the evaluator).</i>	(B)x(C)		
Price-Performance	25 %	<i>(to be filled in by the evaluator).</i>	(B)x(C)		
Competence and experience	15 %	<i>(to be filled in by the evaluator).</i>	(B)x(C)		
TOTAL SCORE:			Σ (D)		