

# **Competition guidelines**

### 1. Entry

The fi-compass Showcase 2023 competition can be entered by sending your submission to <u>showcase23@fi-compass.eu</u> by **Tuesday, 31 January 2023**.

### 2. Submissions and theme

The theme of the fi-compass Showcase 2023 is 'Financing a sustainable and inclusive Europe'. Submissions should demonstrate how EU shared management funds financial instruments are able to support businesses and/or EU citizens to invest in the economic and social development of their regions.

Valid submissions must take the following forms:

- A short video story of ca. 1-7 minutes duration (preferred);
- A photo story accompanied by a short 300 words article with ca. 3-10 pictures;
- An infographic or poster, in the form of a visual-based PowerPoint presentation.

All submissions must be in **English or in a national language**, with an **English translation or subtitles**.

Submissions should be sent to <a href="mailto:showcase23@fi-compass.eu">showcase23@fi-compass.eu</a> by Tuesday, 31 January 2023.

### 3. Eligibility

Participation in the 'fi-compass Showcase 2023' is **open to all fi-compass stakeholders:** managing authorities, Intermediate bodies, funds of funds, financial intermediaries, final recipients and any other stakeholders involved in financial instruments under EU shared management (ERDF, EAFRD, ESF+, EMFAF and AMIF).

### 4. Shortlist and vote

Following submission, practitioners will be contacted by the fi-compass team to **secure the necessary rights for publication** of the submissions on a dedicated page of the fi-compass website.

A shortlist of **up to 10 finalists** for the fi-compass Showcase 2023 award will be selected by experts, on the basis of:

- the submissions alignment with the theme 'Financing a Sustainable and Inclusive Europe';
- how well the submission tells its story; and
- the submissions' reflection of the EU shared managements funds supporting financial instruments.

This shortlist will be presented at the FI Campus 2023 event in Brussels from 13-15 March 2023, where participants will vote for their favourite submission from among the shortlisted entries. **The 3 most popular submissions** in this vote will receive the fi-compass Showcase 2023 Award.

## 5. Timing

The Showcase will be launched on Monday, 21 November 2022.

Participants are invited to submit their stories to the fi-compass team by **Tuesday**, **31 January 2023.** The publication of submissions on the fi-compass website will then occur on a rolling basis.

The shortlist of submissions for the fi-compass Showcase 2023 Award will be selected on **Thursday, 9 February 2023** and communicated in the subsequent weeks.

The **3** winners of the fi-compass Showcase 2023 Award will then be announced at the FI Campus 2023 event in Brussels, on 15 March 2023 during the closing ceremony.

Any questions on the competition should be addressed to <a href="mailto:showcase23@fi-compass.eu">showcase23@fi-compass.eu</a>.