

# Accelerating Climate Efforts and low-carbon investments in Finland

## ACE LIFE

Project overview - September 2022



# ACE LIFE aims to get EU funding as LIFE Strategic Integrated Project (SIP)

- EU SIPs target the implementation of plans, strategies or action plans required by specific EU environmental, climate or energy legislation or policy, e.g. national, regional or industry-/sector-specific greenhouse gas mitigation strategies.
- SIPs should
  - aim at the **full implementation** of the targeted plan and, together with the complementary measures needed to achieve full implementation, **remove** all remaining administrative, financial, structural and other **barriers** for its implementation,
  - support the plan on a **large territorial scale**,
  - include a mobilization and coordination mechanism for **additional funding** sources for the complementary measures,
  - promote and implement **sustainable technologies** and services.

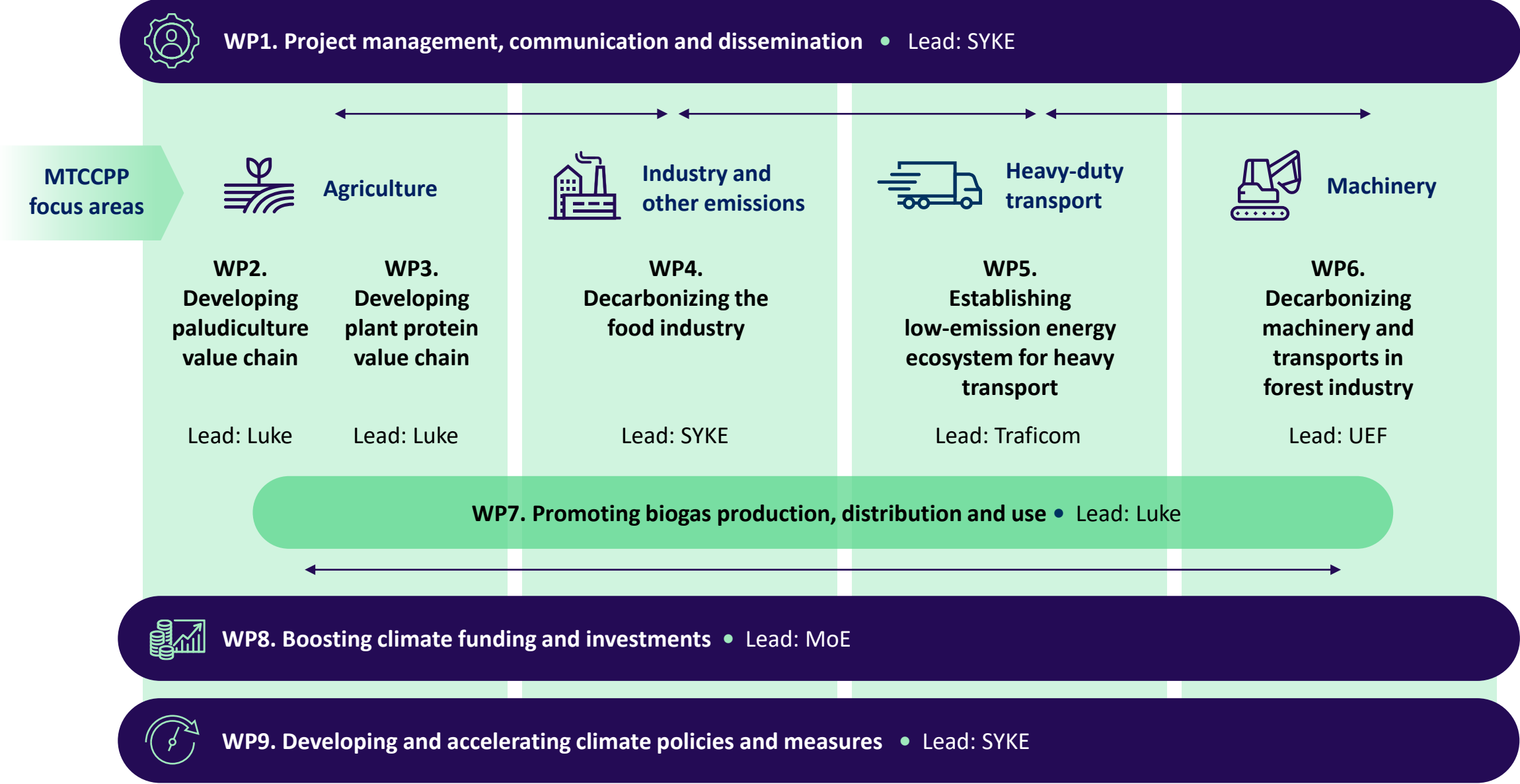
# ACE LIFE targets emission reductions in the Finnish effort sharing sector

- ACE LIFE targets the implementation of the Medium-term Climate Change Policy Plan (MTCCPP) for Finland.
- Concept note was submitted on 8 September 2022.
- Information on evaluation results available 8 November 2022 (indicative; usually not before December). If EU accepts the concept note application, deadline for full proposal is **30 March 2023**.
- If project gets the funding:
  - Project duration is 2024-2030 with a total budget of EUR 20 million.
  - Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE) is the lead partner and coordinates the project.
  - EU contribution of the funding is 60 % for research institutes and 50 % for other partners.

# Objectives of the ACE LIFE project

- Make a significant contribution to Finland's national emission reduction target in the Effort Sharing sector, -50 % by 2030 compared to 2005, by reducing GHG emissions and promoting low-carbon investments in critical focus areas.
- Achieve substantial, measurable emission reductions in agriculture, heavy-duty traffic, machinery and small and medium-sized industry, which have largest implementation and funding gaps in Finland.
- Identify bottlenecks, facilitate the development of sustainable value chains, support entrepreneurs and roll out most effective mitigation measures across the country with a strong emphasis on dissemination and communication.
- Develop, identify and promote the most effective policy measures in a cooperative process to reach the 2030 targets and beyond, together with improved impact assessments.
- Improve the targeting, accessibility and effectiveness of climate funding; coordinate and mobilize complementary funding required for the full implementation of the MTCCPP.

# Overall structure of the project



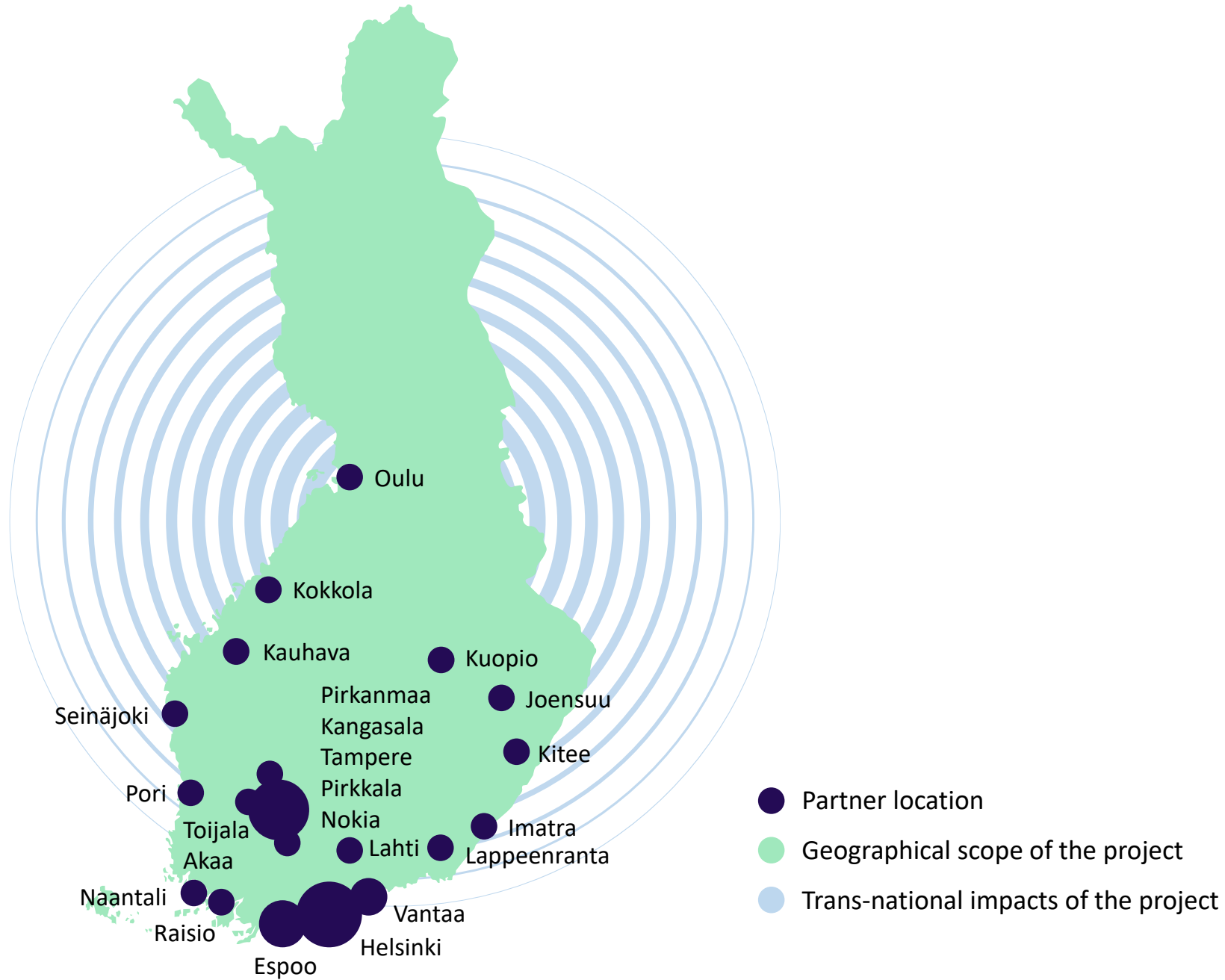
Project partners:



Associated partners:



# Geographical scope of the project



# More information

- EU LIFE call: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/life-2022-strat-clima-sip-two-stage>
- Project presentation and contact information (in Finnish): [https://hiilineutraalisuomi.fi/fi-FI/Ilmastotyö/ACE Life hankkeen valmistelu](https://hiilineutraalisuomi.fi/fi-FI/Ilmastotyö/ACE_Life_hankkeen_valmistelu)
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