# SynCom Projects 2023 | Proposal Template

Applicant(s) | TT/MM/JJJJ

About SynCom projects

SynCom projects are expected to enforce research activities between the different Helmholtz centers. SynCom supports the projects with a variety of synthesis and communication services (see attached Toolbox). Projects in return should focus on their relevance for science and society.

The call is open for projects with several participants comprising at least two topics and two Helmholtz centers. Any researcher within the research field ‘Earth and Environment’ can apply, the average duration of a project is nine to twelve months.

SynCom projects have an allocated budget for workshops and other events. However, there is no general funding. The SynCom Office and the SynCom anchor persons offer guidance on the application process.

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Proposal

Project titel (max. 50 characters)

Summary (max. 300 words)

Current state of project (idea, proposal in preparation, ongoing activity) including available resources and research methods. Please be as brief and comprehensible as possible.

Participants

Contact Person:

Lead Scientists:

Participating Helmholtz Centers (*at the minimum 2 centers*):

Topics addressed (*at the minimum 2 topics*):

Research Fields other than Earth & Environment involved (*if applicable*):

External partners/ institutions for cooperation (*if applicable*):

Contact person at the SynCom Office:

Contact to SynCom Anchor person (if applicable):

Goals

Overall goal of the project:

Which Program Objectives are addressed? (mandatory)

Relevance, unique selling point, and added value

e.g.:

Which scientific/political/societal problems/challenges does the project address?

United Nations Sustainable Development (Sub)Goal(s) addressed:

What is the unique selling point of the project?

Interaction groups/Stakeholders (scientific/political/societal)

Who are the addressees of the research findings? (To be specified as precisely as possible)

Output

Synthesis and/or communication (internal/external):

e.g. Knowledge, Insights, Models, Prototypes, Technology, Products.

Solution readiness level (SRL: 1-9) of the project outcome (see [Table 1 Solution Readiness Levels](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/341322265_Solution_Readiness_Levels_SRL_-_Seizing_the_Innovation_Progress_of_Transdisciplinary_Research_Projects/link/5ebaaaa992851c11a86129e1/download)):

Which impulses/activities/changes should the project trigger?

Work program/ schedule

Duration (appr. 9-12 months): MM/YYYY - MM/YYYY

Description of work and timeline (e.g. bar chart)

SynCom Toolbox

(support and resources needed from the SynCom Office)

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|  |  | Please enter the estimated costs in € in the respective box. |
| Tool | Tick where applicable | Own funds | Joint funding | SynCom funds |
| SynCom project synthesis workshop |  [ ]  |  |  |  |
| Stakeholder Meeting |  [ ]  |  |  |  |
| Helmholtz Synthesis paper |  [ ]  |   |    |    |
| Participation in the SynCom part at the General Assembly 2023 (mandatory) |  [ ]  |   |  |   |
| Off-the-record conversation with journalists / press briefing |  [ ]  |  |  |   |
| Policy brief |  [ ]  |    |   |    |
| Knowledge transfer workshops in Berlin |  [ ]  |  |  |   |
| Parliamentary Breakfast, Lunch, and/or Dinner (Bundestag/Landtag) |  [ ]  |  |  |  |
| Other needed support |   |  |  |   |

Recommendation:

*(to be completed by the below boards)*

SynCom Board

Program Board

Decision:

Management Board (April 18, 2023)