

**Working title of the (planned) project:** Living Networks: Biodiversity and Resilience through Green and Blue Infrastructure

**LAG name:**  
Pays du Mans

**Member State(s):**  
FRANCE

**Key theme**

**Biodiversity, preservation, climate change, water resources**  
**Differentiated management of green spaces**  
**Light pollution, public lighting (Dark Ecological network)**

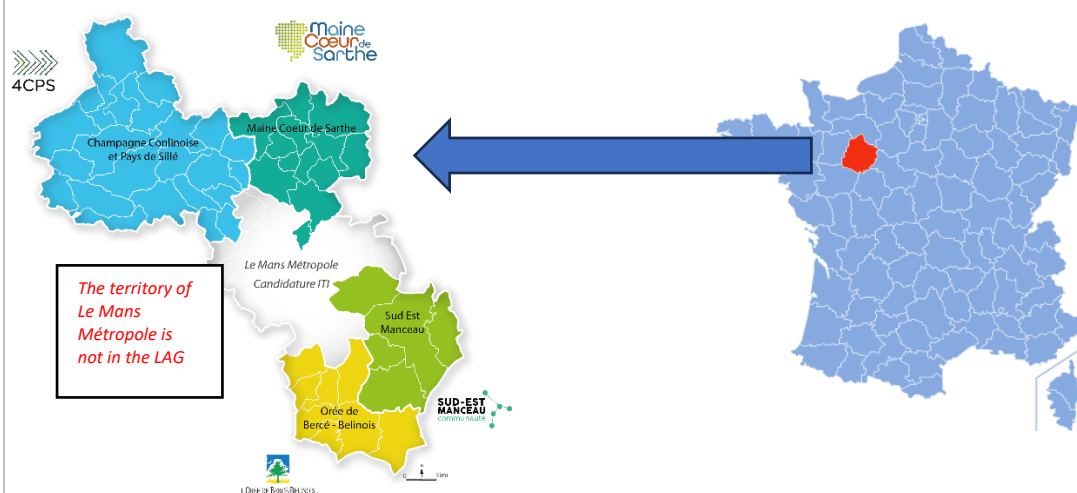


## Short summary of the project idea (up to 200 words)

The “Syndicat mixte *Pays du Mans*”, located at the crossroads between the Greater West and the Paris region, covers 1,611 km<sup>2</sup> and brings together 92 communes with around 323,000 inhabitants. It is both a hub of activity and a forward-looking territory, committed to ecological transition and fostering complementarity between urban and rural areas.

⇒ Our LAG Pays du Mans has been selected for the 2023–2027 period, with an allocation of €1.3 million. It also has 76,665 inhabitants and covers an area of 942 km<sup>2</sup>, comprising 50 municipalities and 4 groups of municipalities.”

⇒ LAG MAP:



Biodiversity loss and climate change are pressing challenges for rural and peri-urban territories across Europe. *Pays du Mans*, with its recognition under the “Territoire Engagé pour la Nature” and “Contrat Nature 2050,” has developed policies and actions that combine biodiversity protection, citizen awareness, and sustainable land-use planning through the “Trame Verte et Bleue” (Green and Blue Infrastructure). This experience provides a strong basis for transnational cooperation.

*Pays du Mans* is also working on the following biodiversity-related themes :

- Water management ,
- Light pollution, public lighting (black screen),
- Differentiated management of green spaces...

Le Pays du Mans would like to cooperate in order to gain feedback and exchange information that will enable it to develop its current work and projects. It is also looking for a partner to share its own experiences.

**Country and type of partner you are looking for**

*European LAGs*

<p><b><u>Ding projets</u></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Study visits between partner LAGs to showcase biodiversity and resilience projects.</li> <li>• Joint pilot actions (e.g., creating ecological corridors, restoring wetlands, planting hedgerows).</li> <li>• Development of educational and communication tools to raise awareness among local populations.</li> <li>• A final joint publication or digital platform presenting lessons learned and replicable practices.</li> </ul>
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