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**SUBJECT: Invitation to submit applications for the action “rescEU Transition Aerial Forest Firefighting Capacities - Forest fire season 2025” (UCPM-2025-rescEU-Transition-IBA)  
Extension of deadline to submit applications**

**REMARKS:**

On 6 December 2024, you received the invitation to submit applications for the action “rescEU Transition Aerial Forest Firefighting Capacities - Forest fire season 2025”.

I would like to thank those of you who have submitted an application by 29 January 2025 for their dedication to the rescEU Transition initiative.

The Commission is committed to ensuring that the rescEU Transition fleet for 2025 is equipped with as many assets as possible. To this end, I have decided to extend the submission period to give the opportunity to more Member States and Participating States to take an active role in our collective effort against wildfires.

The new deadline for submitting a grant application is **4 March 2025 at 17:00 CET**.

If you are interested in applying for a rescEU Transition 2025 grant, please prepare your application and submit all relevant documents via the Funding & Tenders Portal, which can be accessed through the following link:

<https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/submission/manage/screen/submission/create-draft/39461?topic=UCPM-2025-RESCEU-TRANSITION-IBA>

For ease of reference please find enclosed the conditions for awarding grants and related documents for application under this invitation to apply.

Thank you for facilitating the transmission of this information to the relevant persons in charge of a potential application.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the responsible Commission service at: [ECHO-RESCEU-TRANSITION@ec.europa.eu](mailto:ECHO-RESCEU-TRANSITION@ec.europa.eu).

Electronically signed

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Enclosure: Call Document *rescEU Transition Aerial Forest Firefighting Capacities - Forest fire season 2025* updated with new deadline to apply