

# Update: Small grants also available for Mediterranean hotspot conservation- apply now

## Title

**A new call has been issued for Letters of Inquiry for small grants from the CEPF fund** BirdLife International, in its role as the Regional Implementation Team (RIT) for CEPF in the Mediterranean Hotspot, **invite Letters of Inquiry** from NGOs, Community Groups and other Civil Society organisations for **small grants** to conserve biodiversity in the Mediterranean Basin hotspot (**small grants: under US \$20,000**). The Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (**CEPF**) is a global programme designed to safeguard the Earth's biologically richest and most threatened regions known as biodiversity hotspots. A fundamental goal is to ensure civil society is engaged in biodiversity conservation. There are 35 CEPF recognised hotspots worldwide so far, the second largest being the Mediterranean Basin. Together BirdLife International, including its Middle East division and BirdLife Partners DOPPS (BirdLife in Slovenia) and LPO (BirdLife in France), serve as the Regional Implementation Team (RIT) for the CEPF Mediterranean Hotspot.



**The deadline for submission is 15th December 2012** The current call pertains to Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cape Verde, Croatia, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Montenegro, Morocco, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Tunisia. **Completed LOIs should be sent as an e-mail attachment to: [cepf-med-rit@birdlife.org](mailto:cepf-med-rit@birdlife.org)** Please follow these links to find out more about **CEPF and the RIT**, the **Mediterranean Basin Hotspot** profile, **eligibility** and **application guidelines**.

