

## NEEDS COLLECTION PROGRAM OPERATING GUIDE

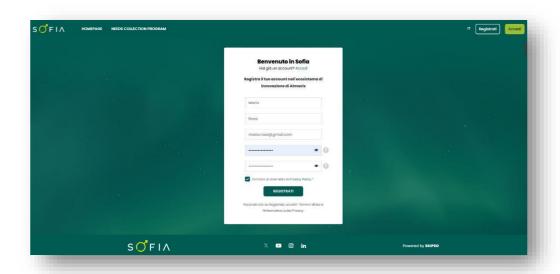
Welcome to the "Needs Collection" initiative, part of the SOFIA program – Sustainable Opportunities Fostering Innovative Ambitions, the innovative ecosystem of Almacis.

This document serves as an operating guide to help you better understand the functionalities of the platform where you can **submit your need** or proposal.

1) To access the program and submit a need, go to the following link and click on the "Participate" button or the "Register" button in the top right corner.

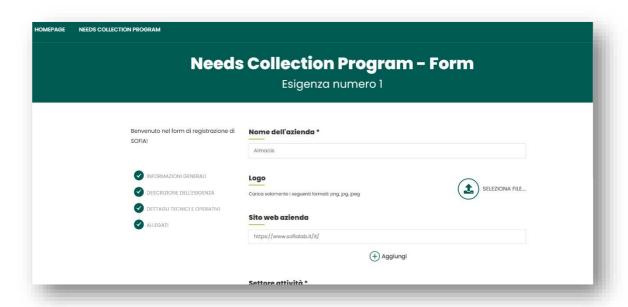


2) To submit your need, start by registering and **creating your personal profile**: enter your first name, last name, email address, and choose a password. Before clicking the "**Register**" button, make sure to check the box to **accept the privacy policy after reading** it.

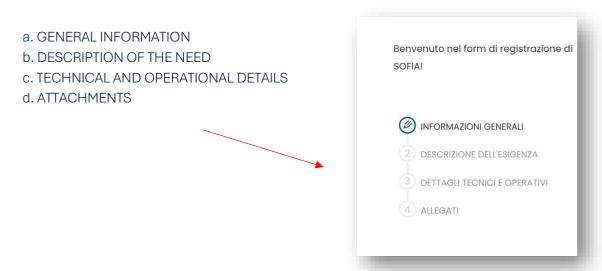


You will then receive a **confirmation email** verifying that your registration was successful.

3) Once your profile registration is complete, you will be directed to the **form** where you can enter all the **details related to the need** you wish to submit.



4) The form is short—it will take approximately 5 minutes to complete—and is divided into four sections:



5) If you prefer to complete the form later, you can save your need application as a draft and finish it at another time. To do so, click the "Save as Draft" button at the bottom of the page.

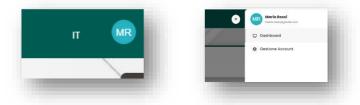
If you already have all the necessary information, you can proceed by clicking the "**Next Step"** button—also located at the bottom of the page—to complete the remaining sections.

To review or edit the information entered in previous sections, you can click the **"Previous Step"** button to go back. Please note that once the need is submitted, it will no longer be possible to modify the entered data.

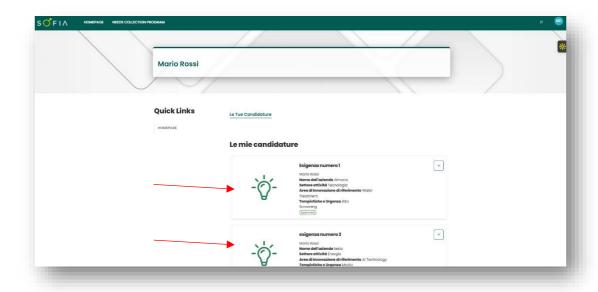


6) If you choose to save the application as a draft and **complete the form later**, you can log back into the platform using your credentials and resume your draft application as follows:

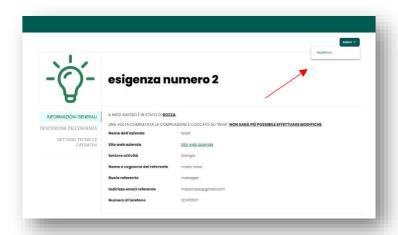
After logging in, click on your user icon in the top right corner. A window will open where you will find the "Dashboard" option.



In your personal dashboard, you will find a **list of your applications**, including both those **already submitted** and those **saved as drafts** that you can complete.



7) To complete the draft application, click on the title of the corresponding record, and the need details will open for you to complete. Click the "Actions" button, and then select the "Edit" option, where you will be redirected to the form.



8) Once all the required information has been entered, to submit your application, click the "Submit" button at the end of the form.



After submitting your application, you will receive a **notification email** confirming that your need has been successfully submitted. Inside the email, you will find the link to your application, from which **you can export the record as a PDF** to review the data you submitted.



We remind you that **you can submit more than one need**. If you need support, you can click the "**Contact Us**" button at the bottom of the page, and a dedicated team will respond to your needs.