



## **PROGRAMME Low Carbon Technologies - Secondary raw materials - Call III**

The Low Carbon Technologies programme aims to support competitiveness of enterprises and sustainability of the Czech economy by introducing innovative technologies in electromobility, renewable energy sources, handling of energy and use of secondary raw materials. Another aim is to increase the use of more effective and more reliable low-carbon technologies that are not yet common in the Czech Republic.

The output of the projects will be an increased self-sufficiency of the Czech Republic in raw material resources thanks to substituting primary sources with secondary raw materials, which increases, in addition to competitiveness, also the overall innovation potential of the Czech Republic.

### **SCHEDULE**

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**Receipt of applications for support:**

- 17.7.2017 – 17.11.2017

### **SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES**

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- introduction of innovative technologies to extract secondary raw materials in the quality suitable for further use in the industrial production, e.g. from used paper, glass, metal, tyres, textiles, plastics, construction and demolition waste, secondary energy products and many other end-of-life products,
- introduction of innovative technologies to efficiently obtain valuable secondary raw materials from used products,
- introduction of innovative technologies to produce products from secondary raw materials, including replacement of primary sources with secondary raw materials, where economically viable.

### **APPLICANT**

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The applicant/ beneficiary is a business entity that:

- is a small and medium-sized enterprise pursuant to the definition in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 or a large enterprise, incl. agricultural entrepreneurs, food and retail entrepreneurs;
- is authorized to conduct business corresponding to the supported economic activity which is to be carried out through the project;

- is, based on its sworn declaration, registered as an income tax payer in any of the EU member states; the applicant notes that it will have to have an establishment or a branch established in the Czech Republic at the moment of receiving the support;
- is not, based on its sworn declaration, in arrears to selected institutions in the country of its registration, or in the country where its branch is registered, and also to providers of support from projects co-financed from the EU budget;
- does not have any outstanding liabilities, according to its sworn declaration, based on its employees' wage and salary claims;
- does not have any outstanding liability arising from a recovery order issued following a Commission decision whereby the support is declared illegal and incompatible with the internal market;
- has closed at least 2 consecutive accounting periods as of the date of submitting the application for support. In the case of a shorter period of conducting business, the required history can also be demonstrated through entity(ies) exercising a decisive influence over the applicant. The condition can be considered fulfilled even if the applicant has been subject to a change of entity (transformation) in the monitored period.

## **SECTORAL DEFINITION**

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- The aid shall not be provided to projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined in Annex 1 to the Call.

## **KEY CONDITIONS OF THE CALL**

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- The project must be implemented in the Czech Republic outside the territory of the City of Prague.
- The applicant must clearly demonstrate ownership or other rights to buildings and land plots, where the project will be implemented.
- The project must include all mandatory elements listed in the Call for submission.
- The project does not expect any aid for activities linked to the quantities exported (export subsidies), aid for the establishment and operation of a distribution network abroad or for other current expenditure linked to the export activity (customs duties, insurance, etc.) or any aid contingent upon the use of domestic goods instead of imported goods.
- The project has not started before the date of filing the application.
- The project must not violate EU horizontal policies and their basic principles such as equal opportunities for men and women, non-discrimination and sustainable development.
- The supported projects will be required to implement dissemination activities - e.g. an article in the press, information on the website, production of a leaflet/ brochure, vehicle decal, participation in a thematic conference/ workshop where beneficiaries will present the results and outputs of their projects in addition to compliance with publicity rules.
- Each undertaking (each Id. No.) shall be entitled to submit no more than 10 grant applications under this call.

## **ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE**

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- **Tangible fixed assets**
- **Intangible fixed assets** (if required for due operation of the tangible fixed assets).
- **Tangible fixed assets may be used exclusively in the establishment that is the beneficiary of the support.**
- **Tangible fixed assets must be depreciated.**
- **Tangible fixed assets must be purchased under market conditions from third persons not related to the buyer.**
- **A business plan and the project documentation.**

## **THE FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID**

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- The minimum grant is CZK 1 million and the maximum grant is CZK 20 million.
- The maximum amount of grant for a project plan is CZK 50 thousand.
- Aid intensity:
  - If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, the support is provided up to 45 % of EE.
  - If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, the support is provided up to 35 % of EE.
  - If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, the support is provided up to 25 % of EE.