

PROGRAMME Renewable Energy Sources – Call III

The aim of the Renewable Energy Sources Programme is to support production and distribution of energy generated from renewable sources. Support will be provided to installations with the highest effectiveness and without a negative impact on the electricity supply system.

SCHEDULE

Receipt of applications for support:

- 22. 9. 2017 – 28. 2. 2018

SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

- conducting heat from the existing electricity generating plants - biogas plants that use biogas in a biogas plant to produce electricity and heat - by means of heat distribution facilities to the place of consumption; conducting biogas from the existing biogas plants by means of a biogas pipeline into a remote cogeneration unit that uses biogas from an existing biogas plant in order to use the useful heat supplied to the heat distribution facility of a heat supply system,
- construction and reconstruction of sources of combined production of electricity and heat from biomass and subsequent conducting of heat into a heat exchanger station including,
- construction and reconstruction of sources of heat from biomass and subsequent conducting of heat into a heat exchanger station including,
- construction and renovation and modernisation of small hydropower plants (up to 10 MWe of installed capacity),

APPLICANT

The applicant/ beneficiary is a business entity that:

- is a small and medium-sized enterprise as defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 or a large enterprise; including agricultural entrepreneurs in the activity of conducting heat/ biogas from existing biogas plants (defined in Act No 252/1997 Coll. on agriculture), entrepreneurs in the food sector and retail,
- 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 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 at least 2 consecutive accounting periods closed as of the date of the application for support. If the applicant has conducted business for a shorter period, the required history can also be demonstrated through entity(ies) exercising a decisive influence over the applicant. The condition of two closed accounting periods can be considered fulfilled even if the applicant has been subject to a change of entity (transformation) in the monitored period, see Annex 1.
- has proven its ownership structure.

SECTORAL DEFINITION

- The aid shall support projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined in Annex 1 Part A to the Call.
- The aid shall not support projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined in Annex 1 Part B to the Call.

KEY CONDITIONS OF THE CALL

- 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 the EU horizontal policies and their basic principles such as equal opportunities (equality of men and women, removing discrimination based on sex, race, ethnic origin, religious belief, world view, disability, age or sexual orientation), equal opportunities and non-discrimination (e.g. due to social exclusion or health environment) and sustainable development (observing the EU and national regulations concerning environmental protection).

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Tangible fixed assets - in purchasing building works, the support provider will consider such works eligible up to the value of building work prices according to the current price system of ÚRS/RTS as of the date on which the grant application was submitted.
- Intangible fixed assets (if required for due operation of the tangible fixed assets).

- Energy assessment

THE FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The minimum grant provided for a project is CZK 250 thousand and the maximum grant is CZK 100 million.
- The maximum grant for an Energy Assessment is CZK 350 thousand.
- Aid intensity for the project:
 - **In the case of conducting heat and biogas from existing biogas plants:**
 - If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, the support is provided up to 50 % of EE.
 - If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, the support is provided up to 45 % of EE.
 - If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, the support is provided up to 40 % of EE.
 - **Aid intensity for energy assessments and project design documentation in the case of conducting heat and biogas from existing biogas plants1:**
 - If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, the support is provided up to 50 % of EE.
 - If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, the support is provided up to 45 % of EE.
 - If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, the support is provided up to 40 % of EE.
 - **In the case of measures concerning small hydropower plants, cogeneration from biomass and heat plants using biomass:**
 - If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, the support is provided up to 80% of EE.
 - If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, the support is provided up to 70 % of EE.
 - If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, the support is provided up to 60 % of EE.
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