



## PROGRAMME Innovation – Innovation Projects – Call V

Are you an enterprise that comes up with new ideas and puts into production and subsequently markets innovated products, technologies or services? Are you considering an improvement of organisational or marketing company processes? If so, the Innovation - Innovation Project programme is right for you.

### SCHEDULE

**Receipt of applications for support:**

- 26/09/2018 – 27/11/2018

### SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

- Increasing the technical and use values of products, technologies and services - product innovation.
- Improving efficiency of production processes and services - process innovation.
- Implementing new methods of organising corporate processes via deployment of new information systems to integrate and automate intra-company processes targeted especially at connecting research and development (R&D) activities, innovation and production - organisational innovation.
- Increasing sales of products and services by a substantial change in a product or packaging design, or launching new sales channels - marketing innovation.

### APPLICANT

The applicant/ beneficiary is a business entity that:

- is a small and medium-sized enterprise according to the definition in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014, or a large enterprise, pursuant to the programme conditions;
- is authorized to conduct business corresponding to the supported economic activity, which the project is implemented for, not later than as at the date of filing the last payment claim;
- is registered, according to the applicant's sworn declaration, as an income tax payer in any of the EU member states, and has been so continuously for at least two closed tax periods preceding the date of filing the application for support. The applicant notes that it will have to have an establishment or a foreign branch established in the Czech Republic at the moment of receiving the support. In the first payment claim, the applicant must have the branch recorded in the extract from the Trade Licensing Register.

- According to its solemn declaration, it does not have any payments outstanding with selected institutions in the country of its registered office.
- It does not have any outstanding liabilities, according to its sworn declaration, with regard to its employees' wage and salary claims.
- The beneficiary shall confirm that within two years preceding the grant application it did not move the establishment where it intends to make the initial investment, for which grant is requested, and will undertake not to move the establishment until the expiry of two years following the end of the initial investment for which the aid is requested.

## SECTORAL DEFINITION

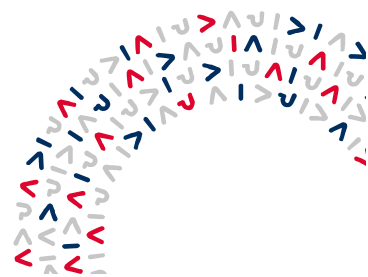
- The aid shall be provided to projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined by CZ-NACE C 10, 11, 13 – 33, E 38.32, J 58, 59.20, 60, M 71.2, 72, S 95.1 except for CZ-NACE 19.10 and 20.60 (see Annex 2 to this Call)

The aid shall not be provided to projects with outputs affecting any of the below stated sectors:

- Production, processing and marketing of products listed in Annex 2 to this Call
- Agriculture, forestry, fishing, aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02, A 03)
- Coal industry (CZ-NACE B 05, C 19.1)
- Steel sectors (sectors defined in Annex b to this Call)
- Synthetic fibres production industry (sectors defined in Annex 2 to this Call)
- Shipbuilding (CZ-NACE C 30.11)
- Transport and the related infrastructure (CZ-NACE H 49, H 50, H 51)
- Production and distribution of electricity and energy infrastructure (CZ-NACE D 35)

## KEY CONDITIONS OF THE CALL

- The project must be implemented in the Czech Republic outside NUTS 2 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 its submission.
- The project does not expect any aid directly linked to the quantities exported (export subsidies), aid to the establishment and operation of a distribution network abroad or any aid to 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).
- The applicant (1 Identification No), if it is a large enterprise, is entitled to submit only one project (i.e. one active grant application).
- The aid may be provided to enterprises not meeting the definition of small and medium-sized enterprises pursuant to Annex 1 to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 only in the case of projects with a significant positive environmental impact, i.e. focusing on low-carbon economy and on climate change resilience (intervention code 065)



## ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Design documentation including engineering activities
- Structures
- Technology
- Software and data
- Intellectual property rights
- Product certification
- Marketing innovation

## THE FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The minimum grant provided for a project is CZK 1 million and the maximum grant is CZK 40 million.
- The support is provided as a percentage according to the Regional Map of State Aid Intensity for regions of the Czech Republic, at maximum:
  - Small enterprise: 45% of documented eligible expenditure
  - Medium-sized enterprise: 35% of documented eligible expenditure
  - Large enterprise: 25% of documented eligible expenditure

