



Technology PROGRAMME - Call V

The main objective of the Vth Call for the Technology Programme is to promote an increase in the number of new business plans implemented by small start-up companies, contributing to regional development and an increase in employment.

TIMETABLE

Receipt of aid applications:

- 9. 12. 2016 – 28. 2. 2017

ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED

- Business plans for new, small start-up companies which have been operating for a maximum of 3 years, for the purchase of new machinery, technology and equipment. Aid will not be provided for the simple replacement of existing machinery.

APPLICANT

- The aid applicant/beneficiary is a natural person engaged in business or a legal entity which meets the definition of a small enterprise set out in Recommendation 2003/361/EC.
- The aid applicant is licensed to operate a business in the supported economic activity, for which the project has been implemented.
- The business has not been operating for more than 3 years as at the date of submission of the aid application.
- It must declare in an affidavit that it is registered as an income tax payer in one of the EU Member States.
- It must declare in an affidavit that it has no debt towards selected institutions in the country in which it is based, or in the country its branches are based or towards aid providers from projects co-financed from the EU budget.
- It must declare in an affidavit that it is not in arrears for wages for its employees.
- It may not have any outstanding obligations arising from a recovery order drawn up on the basis of a Commission Decision, declaring the aid as unlawful and incompatible with the internal market.

SECTORAL RESTRICTION

- Projects whose outputs are classified in any of the sectors listed below are not eligible for support:
 - Production, processing and marketing of products listed in Annex No. 1 to this Call
 - Agriculture, forestry, fishery and aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02 and A03)

MAIN CONDITIONS OF THE CALL

- The project must be implemented on the territory of the CR, outside the Capital City of Prague.
- The applicant must clearly demonstrate ownership or other rights to the property and land where the project is to be implemented by submitting a lease agreement or an extract from the cadastral register (no more than 3 months old).
- The aid application must be submitted in Czech.
- The project must contain all the mandatory components set forth in the Call for its submission.
- The project does not envisage aid for activities associated with export volumes (export subsidies) support for the establishment and operation of a distribution network abroad, or for other standard costs related to export activities (customs duties, insurance, etc.); or aid contingent on the use of domestic goods in preference to imported goods.
- The project has not started before the date of submission of the preliminary aid application.
- The project may not violate EU horizontal policies nor their fundamental principles, such as gender equality and sustainable development.
- Each applicant (1 Co.Reg.) may submit a maximum of one project (i.e. one active application in which it appears as the beneficiary).

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Tangible assets – purchase of machinery and equipment and operating sets, as well as expenditure on the acquisition of hardware and local networks, inc. the related software, provided this software is part of the purchase price for the technology.
- Intangible assets – expenditure on the acquisition of patent licences necessary for the proper operation of machinery and equipment and expenditure on SW related to the machinery and equipment purchased and outputs from the project in question.
- Minor tangible and intangible assets – modern ICT technology, in particular touch devices, tablets, software, but only in a case where the subject-matter of the project is the purchase of tangible and intangible assets.

FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The maximum amount of aid provided is up to 45% of EE.
- The minimum grant for a project amounts to CZK 100,000 and the maximum amounts to CZK 225,000 (de minimis)
- Total project expenditure may not exceed CZK 500,000 net of VAT (provided the applicant is registered for VAT) or CZK 500,000 including VAT (if the applicant is not registered for VAT).