



## Programme Potential - Call VI

Have you decided to introduce or expand your own research and development capacities and become part of the group of business entities conducting their own research and development? If this is the case, then the Potential programme is just for you.

### SCHEDULE

#### Receipt of applications for support:

- 1. 10. 2019 – 16. 12. 2019

### SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

- Establishment or expansion of industrial research, development and innovation centres based on the acquisition of land, buildings, machinery and other equipment necessary to carry out the activities of the centre.

### 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, which will be obligated to keep accounts, or tax records expanded with special requirements, or keep separate accounts for the project.
- Is authorised 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 and has been so continuously for at least two closed tax periods preceding the date of submitting the application; 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; The applicant/beneficiary must have the branch registered, as of the first request for payment, in the Register of Licensed Trades.
- 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;

- It does not have any outstanding liabilities, according to its sworn declaration, based on its employees' wage and salary claims.

## SECTORAL DEFINITION

- The aid is intended for projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined by CZ-NACE (see Annex 2 to this Call).
- The aid shall not be provided to projects with outputs directly affecting any of the sectors defined in Annex 2 to this Call.
  - production, processing and marketing of products listed in Annex 2 to the Call - Annex I to the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU,
  - agriculture, forestry, fishery, aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02, A03)

## KEY CONDITIONS OF THE CALL

- The project must be implemented in the Czech Republic outside NUTS 2 Prague, the location of the establishment where the project of the enterprise is to be implemented is decisive.
- 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.
- Projects with total eligible expenditure at and over CZK 5 million and at the same time with investment expenditure that forms more than 50% of the total eligible expenditure will be required to carry out a Financial Analysis of the investment. More detailed information on the cost-benefit analysis is provided in the document CBA – Manual for Applicants/Beneficiaries.
- The project did not start before the submission of the application
- The project must not violate EU horizontal policies and their basic principles, in particular equal opportunities for men and women, equal opportunities and non-discrimination and sustainable development
- The financial health of the applicant, expressed in a simplified economic assessment of the intermediate body, must not be lower than 5 points

## ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Tangible fixed assets (purchase of land, buildings, machinery and other equipment required to furnish the R&D centre on condition that these assets can be depreciated (except for the land)).
- Intangible fixed assets

## FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The project grant shall be provided at the minimum amount of CZK 2 million and up to the maximum amount of CZK 30 million (inclusive).
- The subsidy will be granted at 50% of the total eligible expenditure regardless of the size of the enterprise and place of implementation.