



# ICT and shared services PROGRAMME – Call II (Activity – Establishment and operation of shared services centres)

Do you plan to establish a shared services centre? If so, the ICT and shared services programme has been designed for you.

#### **TIMETABLE**

#### Receipt of aid applications:

16. 11. 2016 – 16. 2. 2017

#### **ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED**

• Establishment and operation of shared services centres.

#### **APPLICANT**

- The applicant, beneficiary may be a small, medium-sized or large enterprise.
- It is licensed to operate a business similar to the supported economic activity for which the project is to be implemented.
- It must declare in an affidavit that it has been registered as an income tax payer in one of the EU Member States; the applicant should also realise that it must have established business premises or a branch in the CR at the time the aid is disbursed.
- 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 and does 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 under any of the following sectors are not eligible for support:
  - o agriculture, forestry, fishery and aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02, A 03)
  - o the coal industry (CZ-NACE B 05, C 19.1)
  - the steel sector
  - industrial production of synthetic fibres
  - o shipbuilding (CZ-NACE C 30.11)
  - transport and related infrastructure
  - o production and distribution of energy
  - energy infrastructure

## MAIN CONDITIONS OF THE CALL

- The project must be implemented on the territory of the CR, outside the Capital City of Prague.
- The aid applicant must clearly demonstrate ownership or other rights to the property and land where the project is to be implemented.
- 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, 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 aid application.
- The project may not violate EU horizontal policies nor their fundamental principles, such as gender equality and sustainable development.
- The number of projects from one applicant (1 Co.Reg.) is limited to 1 active application.
- The project's compliance with the National Research and Innovation Smart Specialisation Strategy for the CR will be verified during project evaluation to ensure it meets the relevant selection criteria.

# **ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE**

- a) Staffing costs (amounting to at least 50% of all eligible expenditure), rental, services of experts.
- b) Hardware, software and other expenditure relating to the project under a de minimis regime.

#### FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The grant provided for a project ranges from a minimum of CZK 1 million to a maximum of CZK 100 million.
- The maximum amount of aid represents:
  - o 45% of EE for a small enterprise
  - o 35 % of EE for a medium enterprise
  - o 25 % of EE for a large enterprise