



ICT and shared services PROGRAMME – Call III (for start-ups)

Do you plan to create a new software solution? 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

Creation of new IS/ICT solutions – creation of advanced digital services, applications and firmware, for example in the areas of communication, entertainment, business, education, healthcare, access to employment or even in the cultural and creative industries, including related implementation.

APPLICANT

- The applicant or beneficiary may be a legal entity or natural person engaged in business who has not completed more than one accounting period and meets the definition of a micro-enterprise as set forth in Recommendation 2003/361/EC.
- 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 paid.
- 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 under any of the following sectors are not eligible for support:
- Production, processing and marketing of products listed in Annex no. 1 Part B of the Treaty, agriculture, forestry, fishery and aquaculture (CZ-NACE A01, A 02, A 03).

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 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.
- The number of projects from one applicant (1 Co.Reg.) is limited to 1 active application.
- During project implementation, the beneficiary must create at least 2 new jobs and fill them with employees who will perform specialised work corresponding to the supported activity.
- The aid beneficiary must, during the entire period of project implementation and for a period of 1 year from the completion of project implementation, use the assets acquired using the grant, which are in its ownership, to support the economic activity.

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- a) Staffing costs to at least 50% of all eligible expenditure
- b) Rental
- c) Services of advisors and experts to a maximum of CZK 399,999 of eligible expenditure
- d) Hardware and software to a maximum of CZK 399,999, including non-eligible expenditure
- e) Other expenditure related to the project

FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- In the aid application, the grant will always be entered as an amount equal to a maximum of 60% of EE.
- The grant provided for a project ranges from a minimum of CZK 0.5 million to a maximum of CZK 4 million.