

ICT and Shared Services Support programme – Activity Building and Upgrading Data Centres – Call IV

Are you planning to build or upgrade a data centre? Than the ICT and Shared Services programme is right for you.

SCHEDULE

Aid applications to be submitted: from 31 August 2018 to 31 May 2019

SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

Building and upgrading data centres as defined in the specific annex to this Call.

APPLICANT

The applicant/beneficiary is a business entity that:

- is a small enterprise as defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014, or a large enterprise.
- is authorised to conduct business corresponding to the supported economic activity which is to be carried out through the project.
- 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. The applicant must have the branch registered, as of the first request for payment, in the Register of Licensed Trades.
- based on its statutory declaration, is not in arrears in respect to selected institutions in the country of its registration, or in the country where its branch is registered, or in respect to providers of aid from projects cofinanced from the EU budget.
- according to its statutory declaration, does not have any outstanding liabilities based on its employees' wage and salary claims.
- shall confirm that within the 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 not be provided to projects with outputs directly affecting any of the below stated sectors:

- production, processing and marketing of products listed in Annex 2 to the Call Annex 1
- to the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU;
- agriculture, forestry, fishing, aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02, A03);
- coal industry (CZ-NACE B 05, C 19.1);
- steel industry;
- synthetic fibre production;
- 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 the territory of the City of Prague. The actual place of the project implementation is decisive, not the registered office of the applicant/beneficiary.
- The applicant must clearly demonstrate ownership or other rights to the 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, aid to the establishment and operation of a distribution network abroad or any aid to other current expenditure linked to export activity 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 EU horizontal policies and their basic principles such as equal opportunities, non-discrimination and sustainable development.

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Land
- Structures
- Investments in tangible and intangible assets.
- Services provided by consultants and experts, studies
- Rent
- Project documentation

FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The grant per project and per applicant under the Call shall be provided at the minimum amount of CZK 1 million and up to the maximum amount of CZK 150 million.
- Project aid intensity: small enterprise 45%, medium enterprise 35%, large enterprise 25%.



