



PROGRAMME Innovation – Innovation Project – Call IV

Are you an enterprise that comes up with new ideas and puts into production and subsequently markets innovated products, technologies or services? Are you considering an improvement of organisational or marketing company processes? If so, the Innovation - Innovation Project programme is right for you.

SCHEDULE

Receipt of applications for support:

- 12.7.2017 – 12.11.2017

SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

- Increasing the technical and use values of products, technologies and services (product innovation)
- Improving efficiency of production processes and services (process innovation)
- Implementing new methods of organising corporate processes via deployment of new information systems to integrate and automate intra-company processes targeted especially at connecting research and development (R&D) activities, innovation and production (organisational innovation)
- Increasing sales of products and services by a substantial change in a product or packaging design, or launching new sales channels (marketing innovation)

APPLICANT

The applicant/ beneficiary shall be a business entity, an agricultural entrepreneur (defined by Act No 252/1997 Coll., on agriculture) or an entrepreneur in the food sector specializing in the production of items not listed in Annex I to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, with a project in the field of R&D and innovation:

In addition, the applicant/ beneficiary must meet the following:

- is authorized to conduct business corresponding to the supported economic activity, which the project is implemented for, not later than as at the date of filing the last payment claim,
- 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;

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

SECTORAL DEFINITION

- The aid shall be provided to projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined by CZ-NACE C10, 11, 13 – 33, E 38.32, J 58, 59.20, 60, M 71.2, 72, S 95.1 except for CZ-NACE 19.10 and 20.60.
- The aid shall not be provided to projects with outputs affecting any of the below stated sectors:
 - Production, processing and marketing of products listed in Annex b to this Call
 - Agriculture, forestry, fishing, aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02, A 03)
 - Coal industry (CZ-NACE B 05, C 19.1)
 - Steel sectors (sectors defined in Annex b to this Call)
 - Industry producing synthetic fibres (sectors defined in Annex b to this Call),
 - 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 applicant must clearly demonstrate ownership or other rights to buildings and land plots where the project will be implemented at the moment of signing the Grant Decision at the latest.
- 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.
- 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 for men and women, non-discrimination and sustainable development.
- The objectives of the project must comply with the objectives of the aid programme and of the Call.

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Project design documentation including engineering activity, construction, technology, software and data, rights to use intellectual property, certification of products, marketing innovation.

- Tangible fixed assets and their technical appreciation and intangible fixed assets must be:
 - included in the assets of the beneficiary for 5 years after the last accepted payment of support to the account of the beneficiary
 - new
 - depreciable assets
 - used only in the establishment that is marked by the beneficiary as the place of the project implementation.

THE FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The minimum grant provided for a project is CZK 1 million and the maximum grant is CZK 50 million.
- The aid intensity for a small enterprise is 45% of documented eligible expenditure, for a medium-sized enterprise 35% of documented eligible expenditure, and for a large enterprise 25% of documented eligible expenditure.