



# Programme Low Carbon Technologies - Secondary Raw Materials - Call V

The programme aims to support competitiveness of enterprises and sustainability of the Czech economy by introducing innovative technologies in the field of secondary raw materials. To increase the use of more effective and more reliable low-carbon technologies that are not yet common in the Czech Republic.

## SCHEDULE

#### **Receipt of applications for support:**

• 06.01.2020 - 28.05.2020

# **SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES**

- introduction of innovative technologies to extract secondary raw materials in the quality suitable for further use in the industrial production, e.g. from used paper, glass, metal, tyres, textiles, plastics, construction and demolition waste, secondary energy products and many other end-of-life products,
- introduction of innovative technologies to efficiently obtain valuable secondary raw materials from used products
- introduction of innovative technologies to produce products from secondary raw materials, including replacement of primary sources with secondary raw materials, where economically viable.

## **APPLICANT**

As of the date of the application, the grant applicant/beneficiary must meet the following conditions:

- The applicant/ beneficiary may be a business entity; a small and medium-sized enterprise according to the definition in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014, or a large enterprise that keeps accounts or tax records expanded with special requirements, or must 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;

- 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.
- The beneficiary shall confirm that within two years preceding the grant application it did not move the establishment<sup>6</sup> where it intends to make the initial investment, for which aid 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 support projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined in Annex 1 Part B to this Call.
- The aid shall not be provided to projects with outputs directly affecting any of the sectors defined in Annex 1 to this Call.
  - production, processing and marketing of products listed in part B of the Annex to this Call,
  - agriculture, forestry, fishing, aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02, A03);
  - coal industry (CZ-NACE B 05, C 19.1);
  - steel sector (as defined in Annex 1 to this Call)
  - Manufacture of synthetic fibres (as defined in Annex 1 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 NUTS II Prague.
- 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.
- The project has not started before the date of filing the application.
- The project must not violate the EU horizontal policies and their basic principles such as equal opportunities (equality of men and women, removing discrimination based on sex, race, ethnic origin, religious belief, world view, disability, age or sexual orientation), equal opportunities and non-discrimination (e.g. due to social exclusion or health environment) and sustainable development (observing the EU and national regulations concerning environmental protection).
- The financial health of the applicant, expressed in a simplified economic assessment of the intermediate body, must not be lower than 5 points.

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• 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.

## **ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE**

- Tangible fixed assets
- Intangible fixed assets (if required for due operation of the tangible fixed assets)
- Tangible fixed assets may be used exclusively at the place of the project implementation.
- Tangible fixed assets must be depreciated.
- Tangible fixed assets must be purchased under market conditions from third persons not related to the buyer.

## FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- The minimum grant is CZK 1 million and the maximum grant is CZK 70 million.
- Aid intensity and breakdown of funding sources
  - o If the beneficiary is a small enterprise, the support is provided up to 45% of EE.
  - If the beneficiary is a medium-sized enterprise, the support is provided up to 35% of EE.
  - If the beneficiary is a large enterprise, the support is provided up to 25% of EE.



