



Aid Programme Technology – Call XI

The main aim of the aid programme and the Call is to provide support in the form of grants to increase the number of new business plans implemented by small businesses, contributing to the development of the regions and increasing employment.

SCHEDULE

Receipt of applications for support:

- 09. 03. 2020 – 25. 05. 2020

SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

- Support will be provided to business plans of small businesses that were created between 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2018, namely for the purchase of new machinery and equipment.
- Support will be provided for entrepreneurial activities defined in a list of supported economic activities according to CZ-NACE as found in Annex 1 to the Call (hereinafter the “supported economic activity”).

APPLICANT

- The applicant/ beneficiary may be a business entity; a small business according to the definition in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014, which pursuant to the programme conditions must keep accounts or tax records expanded with special requirements or keep separate accounts for the project.
- The applicant/ beneficiary is authorised to conduct business corresponding to the supported economic activity which is to be carried out through the project;
- The applicant/ beneficiary is, based on their sworn declaration, registered as an income tax payer in any of the EU member states; 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. The applicant must have the branch registered, as of the first request for payment, in the Register of Licensed Trades.
- The applicant 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;
- The applicant 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 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.
- Self-employed natural person doing business pursuant to the Trade Licensing Act entered in the Commercial Register, natural person doing business pursuant to the Trade Licensing Act not entered in the Commercial Register, unlimited partnership (*veřejná obchodní společnost*), limited liability company (*společnost s ručením omezeným*), limited partnership (*komanditní společnost*), joint-stock company (*akciová společnost*), cooperative, *societas Europaea*, European cooperative society, and a foreign legal form analogous to the above if the applicant is a foreign entity.

SECTORAL DEFINITION

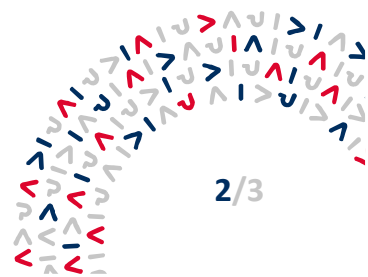
- The aid shall support projects with outputs affecting the sectors defined in Annex 1 (A) to the Call.
- The aid shall not support projects with outputs directly affecting the sectors defined in Part B of Annex 1 to this Call.
 - production, processing and marketing of products listed in part B of the 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 2 Prague.
- 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, in particular equal opportunities for men and women, equal opportunities and non-discrimination and sustainable development.

ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Tangible fixed assets
 - Expenditure on the purchase of machinery and equipment and operating units. Also, the purchase of hardware and local networks, including related software. Expenditure and supplies related to technology installation and network building (non-construction expenditure) if such expenditure is to be accounted for under the relevant technology or hardware.



- Intangible fixed assets
 - Purchase costs of patent licences necessary for the proper operation of machinery and equipment and SW related to machinery and equipment and outputs acquired under the project in question, up to the maximum amount of the total costs of the acquisition of tangible fixed assets.

FORM AND AMOUNT OF AID

- Aid intensity - amount equal to a maximum of 45% of documented eligible expenditure.
- The project subsidy shall be provided in the minimum amount of CZK 450 thousand and up to the maximum amount of CZK 1.5 million.

