



Grant funding for family businesses, creative industries and crafts

Amount of grant aid: up to BGN 150,000 under the de minimis aid scheme, which constitutes up to 85% of the eligible investment costs.

Eligible investments/projects for:

- Improving the production capacity of the enterprise through acquisition of machinery, production process equipment, tools, as well as specialized software (mandatory activity).
- Improving market presence by creating a new online store for the products/services of the enterprise's activity (eligible expense up to BGN 10,000). Not eligible for those companies which have already received grant assistance under procedure BG-RRP-3.005 'Solutions in the field of information and communication technologies and cybersecurity in small and medium-sized enterprises'.
- Improving management, production, and logistical processes through the introduction of: Resource Management System (ERP system); Customer Relationship Management System (CRM system); Supply Chain Management System/Module; Warehouse Management System (WMS system/module); Manufacturing Operations Management System (MOM/MES system/module); Business Intelligence System. Eligible expense up to BGN 15,000.

Not eligible for those companies which have already received grant assistance under procedure BG-RRP-3.005 'Solutions in the field of information and communication technologies and cybersecurity in small and medium-sized enterprises' and/or procedure BG-RRP-3.004 "Technological Modernization" from the National Recovery and Resilience Plan.

- Consulting services for grant application project proposal preparation (up to BGN 3,000).

Eligible candidates:

- Traders within the meaning of the Commercial Law or the Cooperatives Law and registered no later than December 31, 2021.
- Micro or small enterprises within the meaning of the Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Act – with fewer than 50 employees in total with associated enterprises and partner enterprises.
- With average number of employees for 2023 ≥ 1 employed person.
- Must meet one of the following requirements:
 - To be a family owned business for at least part of 2023 **and** as of the date of grant application project proposal submission, in which: one or more natural persons own more than 50% of the capital **and** have a family relationship both among themselves **and** with a person who participates in the management **or** is on an employment contract in the enterprise. A family relationship is the relationship between two or more natural persons based on marriage, kinship, or adoption within the meaning of the Family Code; **or**
 - To be an enterprise with a primary economic activity based on data for 2023 in the field of creative industries, for example printing activities; reproduction of recorded media, publishing activities, issuing of software products, advertising activities, and others; **or**
 - To be enterprises carrying out an activity included in the List of Crafts according to Appendix № 1 to the Crafts Act, whose owner(s) are registered with the same activity in the National Register of Craftsmen, maintained by the National Crafts Chamber.

- To have generated net sales revenue TOTAL for 2021, 2022, and 2023:
 - Micro-enterprises (under 10 people): \geq BGN 30,000 \leq BGN 1.8 million
 - Small enterprises (10-49 people incl.): \geq BGN 75,000 \leq BGN 7.2 million

Duration of project implementation: should not exceed 12 months.

Deadline for submitting grant application project proposals: 16 September, 2024.

Contacts:

Our consulting team has the necessary experience and knowledge to assist you in preparing the required documents, applying and reporting.

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