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Business Start

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Introduction

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Early seed funding for small start-ups that:

- have a viable business concept
- want further develop their business proposal

Overview

Objective	Business Start provides early seed funding for small start-ups that have an economically feasible business concept to further develop their business proposal prior to seeking further funding or third-party equity
Type of Aid	Cash Grant
Maximum Aid	€10,000
Deadline for Applications	31st October 2026

Who can apply?

Falling within the GBER definition:

A Start-Up Undertaking shall be any unlisted small enterprise up to 5 years following its registration

AND

- Apply within 36 months from date of establishment
- Founders must not have interests in other undertakings, in the same or related sector that exceed 25%
- Owners have not been involved in an undertaking in the same or related sector that has closed down in the 12 months preceding its establishment date.

Supported Business Formats

- Self Employed registered with Jobsplus
- Registered Partnerships (MBR)
- Registered Limited Liability Companies
- Cooperatives

Applying for Support

Application – Feasibility Report

- a. start-up formation
- b. the business opportunity,
- c. details on the product/service
- d. information on the market, competitive landscape
- e. operations and financials
- f. the Team

Eligibility Criteria

Activity: Manufacturing | Software development | Industrial services analogous to manufacturing | Health, Biotechnology, Pharmaceuticals and Life Sciences

Knowledge of the key persons

Potential to generate income from various geographical markets

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Evaluation Criteria

Key Criteria

Commercial Feasibility | Financial Feasibility |
Technologically Feasible

Other Criteria

Innovation | Market | Process |
Knowledge/Know-how

Disbursements

1st Tranche - €3,000

- on return of signed LOA
- 1 registered employee on full/part time, residing in Malta

2nd Tranche - €3,500

- on submission of a business plan and retaining employment

3rd Tranche - €3,500

- within 3 months of approval of Business Plan and retaining employment
- have a business address from where business shall be carried out

Potential Application Pitfalls

- Clarity and depth of information
- Explaining the potential of proposed business
- Relevance of Market research
- Is there growth potential beyond the local market
- Team Skills covering multiple aspects of the business
- Consistency of information and detail provided



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Thank You

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