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**Information of the National Funding Body**

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**Type of Funding**

- **Grant**: A maximum of 150,000 euro can be granted to a project, independently from the number of Italian participants.
- **Loan**: Loans are used only for enterprises and any private organizations and can be added, upon request, to the grants.
- **Other**

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On request of applicants, a pre-payment may be done, equal to:
- 80% of the total contribution for public entities;
- 50% of the total contribution for private entities.

The remaining part of contribute will be paid in instalments after each financial and progress reporting period.

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National Registration Procedures (including average time to contract):

All Italian participants must submit to MIUR a set of additional documents (see below) needed to check their eligibility and to accelerate the final funding decision and the grant agreement signature.

> Please specify in the box:

- any documentation required at national level.
- the concrete financial information that is requested to perform the financial viability assessment (ex. type and number of documents, short explanation if necessary).
- any other relevant information you may want to highlight.

The Italian participants must sent to MIUR, via certified e-mail by the same Eurostars cut-off date, the documents listed in the national website.

Please take into account that the submission of these document to MIUR in accordance to the national procedures is mandatorily! In case they are not submitted properly or they are not submitted at all, the applicant will be considered ineligible.

1) Eligible participants:
Are eligible for funding all legal entities listed in art. 60 of the Decree-Law n. 83/2012 providing that they have stable organization in Italy, i.e.:
- Enterprises and private research bodies (which meets the requirements of research organization under EU Reg. no. 651/2014 of the Commission - June 17, 2014)
- Universities, public research institutions, research organizations (public and private) in accordance with Reg. EU n. 651/2014 of the Commission - June 17, 2014).

The Italian part of the project consortium must include at least an Italian SME. The research activities performed by the Italian SME(s) must be predominant, in terms of cost, with respect to the activities of all other Italian participants.

2) Legal/administrative/financial conditions:
The participant must not be defaulting with regard to other funding received by the Ministry. The participant must not have requested/got any other funding for the same project. The participant must respect the Decreto Legislativo n. 159 del 9/09/2011 e successive modifiche e integrazioni.

3) Conditions on exploitation/impact
Companies must have the financial means to execute the project and a potential to use the results.

4) Financial conditions
For any private entity, the following financial criteria, calculated using the data reported in the last approved balance sheet, must be fulfilled

\[ CN > (CP - I)/2 \]

Where:
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CN = net assets (Capitale netto)
CP = sum of the costs of all the projects for which public funding has been requested by the participant during the year
I = sum of the contributions received, approved or requested for the same projects

OF/F < 8%
Where:
OF = financial charges (Oneri finanziari)
F = turnover (Fatturato)

5) Research activities eligible for funding:
Are eligible for funding all activities classifiable as Industrial research or Experimental development. Furthermore Industrial research activities must be predominant, in terms of cost, with respect to Experimental development activities.
Are eligible all costs incurred during the lifetime of the project for: Personnel, Equipment, Subcontracts, Consumables, Dissemination and coordination activities, overheads.

>Additional Information:

The admission for funding is subject to the adoption of the necessary accounting and administrative measures for the allocation of the resources.

Detailed information on the eligibility criteria, funding levels and any other piece of information needed for the preparation of the national application, including the forms and the deadline for sending the documents to MIUR, can be found on MIUR website: http://www.ricercainternazionale.miur.it/era/art-185-del-trattato-dell-unione-europea/eurostars2.aspx.