

Eurostars 2



Overview

European funding and support programme dedicated to R&D performing SMEs (investing >10% of full time work or of turnover in R&D).

- Programme duration: 2014-2020
- Total budget: EUR 900 M
- Joint funding by the European Commission (Horizon 2020) and Eurostars Member States

Goal

To enable market driven research activities of SMEs to compete internationally and become leaders in a given sector.

The SMEs define the research topics - development of products, processes and Services - themselves („bottom-up“).

Project results should be ready for market introduction within 2 years after the end of a project.

Eligibility

Any SME or larger company, university, university of applied science or other research organisation based in a Eurostars Member State.

Swiss institutions and companies are eligible to participate in Eurostars calls.

Project Partners

- Project submission by consortia of at least 2 partners based in 2 different Eurostars Member States (typically 3-4 partners from 2-3 countries)
- All SME partners together control > 50% of project costs
- Project leader must be a R&D performing SME

Financial Support

Due to the combination of national and international funding sources, reimbursement rates differ from country to country. In total, Swiss participants receive:

- SMEs: 50% of eligible costs
- Larger companies: 25% of eligible costs
- Universities of Applied Sciences, Universities, R&D institutions: 50% of eligible costs

The maximum funding for all Swiss partners in a given project: EUR 0.5 M

Total annual budget for Swiss participants: ~ EUR 4 M

Typical project budget: EUR 1.5 M

No more than 75% of the project budget can go to participants of one country.

Time Frame

- 2 deadlines per year for the submission of applications
- Time to contract: ~ 7 months
- Max. project duration: 3 years (typically 2-3 years)

Further Details

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