

# TRAINING CENTRES PROGRAMME – CALL II - extension

Within this programme companies can apply for a grant for the construction, renovation, acquisition or equipping of training centres or training rooms. The aim of the programme is to support entities that are endeavouring to create top-quality training facilities. However, a condition of the programme is that primarily employees of the selected companies will be trained in the training centres. These companies are precisely defined in the Call.

#### **SCHEDULE**

- Acceptance of Registration Applications: 1 June 2011 15 March 2012
- Acceptance of Full Applications: 1 July 2011 15 June 2012

### SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

 The construction, acquisition, renovation and modernisation of premises intended for training and their furnishings, equipped with teaching aids and programmes and fixtures.

#### **APPLICANT**

- Legal entity or natural person which:
  - has a Trade license corresponding to the supported NACE category (Annex 3 of the Call).
  - has at least two closed accounting periods immediately preceding the year in which the Registration Application is submitted.
  - ensures training primarily for employees of enterprises with a Trade license within the supported NACE categories.
- Legal entity or natural person, which:
  - has a Trade license corresponding to NACE2 (85.59 other education, unspecified).
  - at least two closed accounting periods immediately preceding the year in which the Registration Application is submitted. The applicant must also prove that it has actively conducted business during these two



- accounting periods with in the relevant NACE category (85.59 other education, unspecified).
- ensures the training primarily for employees of entities with a Trade license in the area corresponding to the relevant supported NACE category.

#### • Beneficial or civic organization:

- ensuring training primarily for employees of entities with a Trade license within the supported NACE categories.
- with at least 2 closed accounting periods immediately preceding the year in which a Registration Application is submitted.
- with a Trade license corresponding to the supported NACE categories.
- Association of legal entities or entrepreneurs, sectoral or professional chamber:
  - established in accordance with the Commercial Code or other legal regulation.
  - ensuring training primarily for employees of entities with a Trade license in the supported NACE categories.
  - having at least two closed accounting periods immediately preceding the year in which a Registration Application is submitted.
  - with a trade license corresponding to the relevant NACE category (85.59 other education n.e.c.).
- A legal entity which cannot provide proof of at least two closed accounting periods immediately preceding the year in which the Registration Application is submitted can be an aid recipient if:
  - it is majority owned by an entity which can provide proof of at least two closed accounting periods immediately preceding the year in which the Registration Application is submitted, whereas this can be a foreign entity, and
  - it has a trade license corresponding to any of the supported CZ-NACE categories (see Annex No. 3 of the Call) or CZ-NACE 85.59 (other education n.e.c.) and provides education for employees of enterprises with a trade license corresponding to any of the supported CZ-NACE categories (see Annex No. 3 of the Call).



### **SECTOR RESTRICTIONS**

- Projects whose outputs fall within the manufacturing industry, services especially industrial services energy, construction, activities related to information and communication technologies, other activities indirectly supporting the activities referred to above (such as technical trials and analyses, architectural and engineering activities, etc. Annex 3 of the Call) will be supported.
- Projects whose outputs appear in any of the following areas will not be supported:
  - o synthetic-fibre industry
  - o coal industry (CZ-NACE B05; C19.1)
  - o steel industry
  - o agriculture, fisheries, aquaculture (CZ-NACE A 01, A 02, A 03)
  - shipbuilding

#### MAIN CONDITIONS OF CALL

- The **minimum amount** of the grant has been set at CZK 500,000, the **maximum** at CZK 100 million for one project.
- **Financial participation** is required from the applicant in accordance with the Regional Map of State Aid Intensity.
- The project must be **implemented** within the Czech Republic, outside the boundaries of the City of Prague.
- The **financial health of the applicant** expressed as a rating assessment by the mediating entity (Czechlnvest) may not be lower than C+.

#### **ELIGIBLE COSTS**

- Must be incurred in accordance with the objectives of the programme and must relate directly to the project implementation.
- May not be incurred prior to the date on which the Registration Application is approved (i.e. prior to the date on which Czechlnvest confirms to the applicant in writing that the project basically meets the acceptability criteria set forth in the programme).



#### Types of eligible costs

#### **INVESTMENT COSTS:**

#### LONG-TERM TANGIBLE ASSETS

- Acquisition of land (up to 10 % of eligible investment costs)
- Purchase of structures
- · Modification of land
- Removal of structures
- Project documentation relating to structures, renovation and related activities
- Architectural tender
- Utilities networks and roads to structures
- New structures (construction)
- Technical improvement of structures (renovation)
- Hardware and networks
- · Other machinery and equipment

#### LONG-TERM INTANGIBLE ASSETS

- Industrial property rights
- Software and data

## FORM AND LEVEL OF SUPPORT

- A grant for investment costs is provided as a percentage according to the Regional Map of State Aid Intensity for the period 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013.
- Aid is provided in the form of a grant of between CZK 500,000 100 million.
- The grant is paid in arrears to the recipient after completion of the project or phases thereof as long as the conditions set forth in the Decision are met.



## Maximum permissible state aid intensity (valid for the period 1 January 2007 – 31 December 2013)



NUTS II Region	Small	Medium-	Large
	enterprise	sized	enterprise
		enterprise	
Northwest, Central Bohemia, Northeast, Southeast,	60%	50%	40%
Central Moravia, Moravia-Silesia			
Southwest (1. 1. 2011 - 31. 12. 2013)	50%	40%	30%
Prague	0%	0%	0%