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CELTIC-NEXT

Project Framework in Austria

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THE AUSTRIAN INNOVATION SYSTEM

All partners from Austria in a CELTIC-NEXT project have to contact FFG.
NATIONAL PRIORITIES & ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
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• National priorities
  • Strengthening Austria as a location for research and innovation
  • Drive economic, technological and social development
• Eligibility criteria for R&D projects
  • Technical funding criteria include in particular the degree of innovation and the technical challenge of the planned project
  • The economic assessment focuses on the commercialization potential and the applicant’s economic performance
• Description of the target group:
  • SME, Large enterprises, Start-ups, (Universities and research organizations)
FUNDING OUTLOOK

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• Themed Programmes
  • More Information: https://www.ffg.at/thematische-programme
  • General Programme: “Basisprogramm“
    • SME: grant of up to 60% of eligible costs (60% for small companies - 50% for medium sized companies)
    • Large Company: mixed funding of up to 50% (funding is composed of a grant and a loan part)
    • Universities and research organisations may be subcontracted
GENERAL PROGRAMME – EXPERIMENTAL DEVELOPMENT

Features: Promotion of product, process and service developments

- R&D single firm project
- permanent open call
- open budget, projects of all sizes
- all projects are analyzed and assessed in terms of the technical and economic aspects for funding
- More Information: https://www.ffg.at/programm/basisprogramm
How to present your R&D plans to the FFG?

• precise project description, task schedule and costs projection
  • be clear on: your degree of innovation and technical challenge
• cost-benefit calculation, project size and achievement of objectives have to be realistic
  • be clear on: your commercialization potential and economic performance
• co-operation possibilities (e.g. with science)
PROJEKT.START

Features: attractive funding instrument for start-ups and SME to get support for preparation work for a concrete research project

- definition of project aims
- assessment of the state of the art and literature and patent research and technical risks
- execution of well-founded market and competitor analyses
- preparation of the project organization and project partners and cost plan with obtainment of offers

https://www.ffg.at/en/projektstart
FUNDING FOR PREPERATION EXPENSES

- costs max. € 10.000,- (min. 60 % personell costs, third-party costs, travel costs)
- funding max. € 6.000,- grants (funding intensity 60 %)
- 1 per year and company
- submission of an application is possible at any time - swift approval processes
- terms of duration: max. 6 months – R&D work has to be startet (single firm project)
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