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TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Hazitek

PERIOD: 02/03/2017-07/04/2017



PURPOSE

Support for the completion of Industrial Research or Experimental Development projects, of either a competitive or strategic nature, in the business sector of the Basque Autonomous Region (CAPV), and in the fields of specialisation as part of the Euskadi 2020 Science, Technology and Innovation Plan (PCTI).



INTENDED FOR

Basque business fabric.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

A.- For competitive projects (annual).

- Development of New Products or New Companies with a Science and Technology Basis.
- The projects may be carried out on an individual basis or cooperatively.
- Total minimum annual budget of €100,000; in the case of cooperation projects, €50,000 per company.
- Funding: up to 25% of the eligible costs.
- Maximum amount of non-refundable Subsidy: €250,000 per beneficiary each year.

B.- For strategic projects (multi-annual, up to a maximum of 3 years).

- R&D projects of a strategic nature and for fields of specialisation in the PCTI 2020.
- Driving projects, developed under cooperation or one-off projects. Minimum investment of €4 million.
- Funding: up to 40% of the eligible costs for industrial research projects.
- Funding: up to 25% of the eligible costs for experimental development projects.



REQUIREMENTS

In order to ensure the Subsidies' effects as an incentive, only projects which are begun after the date when the Subsidy application is submitted may become Subsidy recipients.

Electronic processing with a digital certificate from the entity's legal representative.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Elkartek

PERIOD: 04/01/2017-28/02/2017



PURPOSE

Support for the completion of Fundamental Collaborative Research Projects, and High-Potential Industrial Research Projects carried out by Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Network (RVCTI) Agents in the fields which form part of the PCTI 2020 and in the RIS3 Smart Specialisation Strategy.



INTENDED FOR

RVCTI Agents.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

Fundamental Collaborative Research Projects. Fundamental research projects completed through collaboration by RVCTI agents to broaden knowledge in the priority fields of the PCTI and the RIS3. Total minimum budget: €500,000 per project and €50,000 per participating entity. Duration of up to 2 years.

High-Potential Industrial Research Projects. Focused fundamental research projects or industrial research projects led by the Business R&D Units of the RVCTI, with high driving power and access to the market. Total minimum budget of €100,000 per project and €50,000 per participating entity. Duration of up to 2 years.

Complementary actions of special interest. Mediation projects between technological supply and demand developed by supply-demand Mediation Entities and Dissemination Entities to draft prospecting and technology monitoring studies, actions to promote cooperation, R&D and innovation management activities for technology transfer or the promotion of participation in R&D and innovation internationalisation activities. Duration of up to 2 years.



REQUIREMENTS

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TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Emaitek+

PERIOD: Pending publication



PURPOSE

Improving and market-orienting the results and capabilities of the Technology Centres and Cooperative Research Centres (CICs), working all along the R&D and innovation value chain.



INTENDED FOR

Technology Centres and Cooperative Research Centres (CICs).



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

Subsidies intended for supporting the non-economic activity of Technology Centres and Cooperative Research Centres (CICs) in the Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Network, allocating financing to them through the evaluation and analysis of their activity's outcomes at the global level.



SUBSIDY TYPE

Funding of up to 100% of the total cost of the non-economic activity performed by the Subsidy recipient entity throughout the calendar year corresponding to the awarding of the Subsidy.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Technical Reports on Qualification for Fiscal Purposes

PERIOD: January 2017-December 2017



PURPOSE

Issuing Technical Reports on Qualification for Fiscal Purposes



INTENDED FOR

All companies.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

Service for the evaluation of R&D activities projects submitted by companies and the issuance, in the event of a positive evaluation, of a Technical Qualification Report for Fiscal Purposes.

In order to provide incentives, promote and further research and development activities at Basque companies by creating greater legal security through the application of tax deductions for the Corporate Tax, this technical evaluation and later report are a free service provided on an annual basis that is binding for the Regional Governments.



SUBSIDY TYPE

Qualification, where appropriate, of the R&D activities by companies, which will make it easier for them to obtain deductions on the Corporate Tax.



REQUIREMENTS

Research and Development Projects carried out by companies.

The companies that have submitted a project to the HAZITEK programme will directly receive their report, with no further need to document this again.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Financial Support: R&D/Energy Efficiency/Technical Scientific Infrastructure

PERIOD: Present-December 2017



R&D and innovation projects to adopt energy efficiency and clean energy measures, and investments in

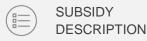
science and technology.

Venture financing by **providing guarantees** for **loan transactions** to be formalised by the Basque Institute of Finances (IVF) and the participating Financial Entities, within the framework of the Cooperation Agreement signed.



INTENDED FOR

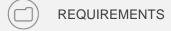
Companies and Agents of the RVCTI (Technology Centres, CICs and Companies' R&D Units).



R&D and innovation projects Fundamental, industrial or experimental development research activities which make it possible to achieve a major technological leap and have enough potential economic impact.

Energy Efficiency Measures. Investment necessary to achieve a higher level of energy efficiency, the use of a renewable energy or the replacement of diesel fuel or coal units.

Technical Scientific Infrastructures. Acquisition and installation of innovative scientific and technical equipment appropriate for the applicant's lines of R&D and innovation activities.



In order to ensure the Subsidies' effects as an incentive, only projects which are begun after the date when the Subsidy application is submitted may become Subsidy recipients.

Centre of activity and investments financed in the Basque Autonomous Region. Maintaining at least 5 years, or 3 years in the case of SMEs.

At least 25% of the total investment must be covered by the applicant entity's own funding.

Loans - Minimum of 250,000 euros and maximum of 5 million euros per investment project, or 75% of the total investment.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Industria Digitala

PERIOD: Pending publication-22/09/2017



PURPOSE

Supporting the inclusion of Electronic, Information and Communication Technology (EICT) in small and medium-sized companies (SMEs) from the industrial manufacturing sector.



INTENDED FOR

Industrial manufacturing SMEs



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

The projects related with the inclusion of EICTs in industrial manufacturing SMEs are to be carried out in the following fields: supply chain, information, customer relations, product life cycle, production process control, in-plant data capturing, preventive maintenance, logistics, product and process-related sensors, etc.



SUBSIDY TYPE

Funding for the eligible costs (consulting, engineering, hardware and software):

- Micro and Small Companies, 50%.
- Medium-sized Companies, 30%

The maximum annual funding will be €18,000 per project.

Limits: hardware (€4,500), software (€4,500), consulting expenses (€18,000), for the completion of one or more eligible activities throughout the financial year.



REQUIREMENTS

The beneficiary entities must be industrial manufacturing SMEs located in the Basque Autonomous Region. The programme's publication is planned for April 2017, and will be of a retroactive nature for the first two months, back to 01/01/2017.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Basque Industry 4.0

PERIOD: Pending publication-June 2017



PURPOSE

Support for Industrial Research and Experimental Development Projects that involve technology transfer from technology suppliers to industrial companies, in the realm of EICTs applied to Advanced Manufacturing, which have a demonstrative effect and make it possible to accelerate the transfer of results from R&D projects on EICTs into the market.



INTENDED FOR

Industrial manufacturing companies



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

The Projects must be related with one of the following areas, within the scope of the CPSs (Cyber Physical Systems) applied to advanced manufacturing: Cybersecurity and Industrial Communications - Cloud Computing - Big Data - Advanced Analytics and Business Intelligence - Collaborative Robotics - Augmented Reality - Artificial Vision - Sensor Systems - Design and Additive Manufacturing in metallic and advanced materials (ceramics, composites, etc.).



SUBSIDY TYPE

Subsidy figures: 25% of the eligible expenses and investments approved + 15% when the project involves effective cooperation between a company and one or more research and knowledge dissemination entities, up to a limit of €150,000 per project.

Eligible expenses and investments:

- Hourly-based work time expenses of the "R&D Agent" (for example, the agents in the Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Network), including assistance and consultation at the industrial plant.
- Hourly-based work time expenses of the "implementer" (consulting and engineering firms).
- Costs of acquiring Industrial Property offered by the RVCTI agent.
- Investments and/or expenses on hardware and software.
- · Internal personnel costs of the beneficiary company assigned to the project which is given the Subsidy.

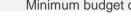


REQUIREMENTS

The maximum annual funding per company shall be €200,000.

The projects must be classified from a level of TRL 5 to TRL 9.

Minimum budget of the projects: €75,000







TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Mikroenpresa Digitala – Prestakuntza and Inplantalariak

PERIOD January 2017-December 2017



PURPOSE

Technology Advice Service on the use of computer applications for the management and promotion of the business (INPLANTALARIAK).

Service for training intended for micro-companies to improve their competitiveness by giving support on skills for using information technologies by giving 2-hour courses (PRESTAKUNTZA).



INTENDED FOR

Micro-companies and the self-employed.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

The initiative consists of two lines of action:

- Implementation of ICT solutions for micro-companies: initiative which advises and identifies groups so that they can select and include those ICT tools that are most suitable for their business, most of which are standard and free, available in the ICT Solutions Brochure (SPRI website).
- Disseminating and increasing awareness about the use of digital tools that improve the businesses of the self-employed and micro-companies: offering courses lasting two hours at the Network of KZgunea
 Centres for training on the inclusion of new technologies in their business. Course Brochure.



SUBSIDY TYPE

- Free implementation of ICT solutions by a Inplantalari-Digital consultant.
- Training courses on ICTs lasting two hours, taught at the network of KZgunea centres.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Lehiabide- Innobideak

PERIOD: Pending publication-28/09/2017



PURPOSE

- 1. Support carrying out individual or cooperative projects that can be used to define and plan strategies for diversification of products, services and/or markets, oriented towards significantly promoting an improvement in the competitive positioning of Subsidy recipient entities.
- INTENDED FOR

2. Define and plan, as well as analyze and design operations that drive a greater business dimension.

SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

Companies that perform industrial activities of extraction, transformation, production and technical services related with the production process of the aforementioned and the realm of the information society and communications.

Projects focussing on the definition and planning of diversification strategies which make it possible to:

- · Increase penetration in current markets.
- · Develop new markets.
- · Design new products and services, or significantly improve those currently existing.
- Define and develop a system of support for intra-entrepreneurship that makes it possible to create new business units or the creation of new companies.
- Analysis and design of operations that allow greater business dimension.

(A) SUBSIDY TYPE

Individual projects. 50% of the project's eligible expenses. Maximum of €45,000 per company. **Cooperation projects**: 60% of the eligible costs, up to a limit of €35,000 per company and €100,000 per

project. If they rely on the collaboration of an industry-wide, business-related or territorial agent, the amount which may be financed in this respect rises to a maximum of €10,000.

(REQUIREMENTS

Individual projects: companies with at least 10 employees.

Cooperation projects:companies with at least 5 employees. The ensemble of all participating companies must provide at least 20 jobs.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Kudeabide- Innobideak

PERIOD: Pending publication-28/09/2017



PURPOSE

Promoting the improvement of Basque companies' competitiveness by supporting the application and implementation of Advanced Management methodologies, tools and principles, through an initial verification and the development of pilot projects and/or consolidation projects.



INTENDED FOR

Companies that perform industrial activities of extraction, transformation, production and technical services related with the production process of the aforementioned and the realm of the information society and communications.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION **Initial Verification:** Completion of a positioning verification regarding the Advanced Management Model, performed by the company with the cooperation of EUSKALIT.

Pilot Projects: Projects with practical application of Advanced Management methodologies, after training.

Consolidation projects: Projects for putting in place and adopting Advanced Management methods and tools.



SUBSIDY TYPE

Free Initial Verification.

Pilot Projects: Funding of 60% to 70% of the modules.

Consolidation projects: Funding of 60% of the external consulting expenses. Limits:

- Max. €6,000 for companies with 5 to 49 employees.
- Max. €25,000 for companies with 50 employees or more.

This programme is carried out in conjunction with the Regional Governments of Araba, Bizkaia and Gipuzkoa, and with the cooperation of EUSKALIT.



REQUIREMENTS

Companies with at least 5 employees (SPRI will assist companies with at least 50 employees and the Regional Governments of Araba, Bizkaia and Gipuzkoa companies with 5 to 49 employees).





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Pertsonak- Innobideak

PERIOD: Pending publication-28/09/2017



PURPOSE

Promoting competitive improvement through activities aimed at the participation of the individuals working in the company: in Management, Results and/or Property.



INTENDED FOR

Companies that perform industrial activities of extraction, transformation, production and technical services related with the production process of the aforementioned and the realm of the information society and communications.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

- Activities aimed at the participation of individuals working in the company, which includes **the three following** elements: Initial Appraisal, Design of the Plan for Participation and Assistance in the Participation Plan's Implementation.
- Actions which include **exclusively Assistance** in the Implementation of the plan for the participation of individuals working in the company.



SUBSIDY TYPE

- Initial Appraisal + Design of the Plan for Participation + Assistance in Implementation: 50% of the project's eligible expenses, up to a funding limit of €60,000.
- Assistance with the Implementation of the Participation Plans: 50% of the eligible costs, up to a funding limit of €30,000 per company.



REQUIREMENTS

Companies with at least 10 employees.





TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION Prestakuntza- Innobideak

PERIOD: January 2017-December 2017



PURPOSE

Raising awareness amongst the people who are members of Basque companies' management teams about the fundamental aspects of Advanced Management and the essentials which facilitate the improvement of value proposals and innovation in Business Models.



INTENDED FOR

Members of the management teams of companies that perform industrial activities of extraction, transformation, production and technical services related with the production process of the aforementioned and the realm of the information society and communications.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

Independent training sessions on the following topics:

- Strategy
- Clients
- People
- Society
- Innovation
- Results
- Business models
- Intellectual/Industrial Property.



SUBSIDY TYPE

Free training sessions.



REQUIREMENTS

Being members of the management team of companies located in the Basque Autonomous Region.





2 ENTREPRENEURSHIP Ekintzaile

PERIOD: January 2017 - December 2017

\bigoplus	PURPOSE	Support for the maturation of a business idea at a Centre for Businesses and Innovation. If the idea becomes a company, it may gain access to favourable loans.
	INTENDED FOR	Private individuals, micro-companies, SMEs and large industrial companies or related services.

SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION	Subsidy 1: Support for the maturation of an industrial business idea or an idea for services of an innovative and/or technological nature for no more than 18 months.	Subsidy 2: If the idea ends with a feasible business plan and a new company (SME) is established, it may gain access to the LUZARO financing, at the very latest the year preceding the application.
		the year preceding the application.

(A)	SUBSIDY TYPE	Maximum of €30,000 non-recoverable funding, and up to 100% of all eligible expenses.	Loans for investments with a maximum term of 36 months for the acquisition of new fixed assets, not
			including buildings, and which create a minimum of 3

CONDITIONS	Maximum support of 70% of the new fixed assets, with the new promoter contributing 30% of the investment in paid-up share capital. Up to 70% of the investment with a loan amount ranging from €40,000 to €180,000 (7 years with a 2-year grace period, Euribor interest rate + 1.25%, with no guarantees provided to the promoter). SPRI pays the formalisation expenses and the
	SPRI pays the formalisation expenses and the interest for the first 2 years.
	interest for the hist 2 years.

REQUIREMENTS Private individual, promoter group or a newly created company (less than one year old).



Non-repayable Subsidy (de minimis).

jobs over the 3 years.





PURPOSE

Support for the maturation of a business idea at a Business and Innovation Centre. The new company may gain access to favourable loans.



INTENDED FOR

Industrial micro-companies and SMEs or related services that have been Ekintzaile beneficiaries



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

TRANCHE 1:

Financing at the time immediately after the company's creation.

TRANCHE 2:

Financing for companies with growth potential at a later stage. They are classified into three categories: high potential, potential and ICT projects.



CONDITIONS

- · Beneficiary of EKINTZAILE.
- No more than 3 years since its establishment.
- Industrial projects or services related with industry that have growth potential.
- Minimum Corporate Capital: €25,000.
- Maximum contribution of €100,000.

- Beneficiary of Ekintzaile.
- No more than 5 years since establishment.
- Industrial projects or services related with industry that have growth potential.

	PF	Sales	Empl.	Contribution
Segment 1	200,000	400,000	10	400,000
Segment 2	100,000	250,000	5	250,000





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PURPOSE

Subsidies for the creation and development of SMEs with a Technology and/or Innovation Basis.



INTENDED FOR

Industrial SMEs in extraction, transformation, production, technical services (linked to the product-process) and related with the aforementioned.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION Support for new investments in the following categories: Industrial Property and Patents, Computer Applications, Land and Natural Assets, Buildings, Technical Installations, Machinery, Tools, Equipment for information processing.

24 MONTHS + GRACE PERIOD + 5 REPAYMENT



SUBSIDY TYPE

Recoverable advances that may amount to 25%-35% of the investment subject to support:

- Limit of €1,500,000.
- Maximum of €150,000 per job created.
- Maximum of €100,000 in the case of saving jobs.

Small companies with a Technology Basis: Advances of 35% on the investment. Small companies only working in Innovation: Advances of 30% on the investment. Medium-sized technology-based companies: Advances of 30% of the investment

Medium-sized Companies only in Innovation: Advances of 25% on the investment.



REQUIREMENTS

Minimum project investment of 120,000 euros.

CRITERION FOR INCENTIVE





FINANCING Gauzatu Implantaciones Exteriores (roll-outs abroad)

PERIOD: Pending publication



PURPOSE Aid to promote the creation and development of Basque undertakings abroad.



INTENDED FOR Small and medium-sized companies that make a production plant or commercial establishment or acquire

a company abroad.

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SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

Support for new investments in the following categories: Industrial Property and Patents, Computer Applications, Land and Natural Assets, Buildings, Technical Installations, Machinery, Tools, Equipment

for information processing.

36 MONTHS + GRACE PERIOD + 5 REPAYMENT



SUBSIDY TYPE

Recoverable advances that may amount to 25%-30% of the investment subject to support:

- Limit of €1,000,000.

Small Companies: Advances of 30% on the investment.

Medium-sized Companies: Advances of 25% on the investment.

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REQUIREMENTS

Minimum project investment of €120,000.

APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO BASQUE GOVERNMENT

CRITERION FOR INCENTIVE







PURPOSE Support to acquire industrial machinery for modernisation and greater workplace safety.



INTENDED FOR Basque industrial SMEs.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION

Funding of 15% of the cost, up to a limit of €70,000 per machine, with a maximum of €100,000 per company.



SUBSIDY TYPE

Non-repayable Subsidy (de minimis).



REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum amount of the machine: €70,000.
- Upon filing the application, the contract for purchasing the machine must be attached, with a minimum expenditure of 10% of the cost thereof, submitting the bank receipt of this payment as proof.
- The machine must be paid for, though a lease (with purchase option) and supplier financing is acceptable, as well, provided that the supplier certifies its acceptance of the payment's settlement for the customer, despite not yet having collected that payment.
- Osalan will verify the fulfilment of workplace safety conditions by all of the machines.







Integrated support for Basque companies to ease their access to foreign markets and their processes to complete full roll-out there through the SPRI INTERNATIONALISATION FOREIGN NETWORK.



INTENDED FOR

Basque companies for their START-UP, CONSOLIDATION AND ROLL-OUT.



SUBSIDY DESCRIPTION From the SPRI Foreign Network. Information and analysis of target markets - Support and commercial assistance: search for distributors, agents, representatives and/or customers. Preparation of agendas - Assistance. Temporary tracking of distributors, representatives, etc. (up to 6 months) - Support and assistance in commercial and production-related roll-out (identifying local partners), searching for specialised facilities, legal and fiscal guidance - Identifying suppliers. Procurement and supply processes. Temporary location at a business centre - Search and preselection of human resources at destination - Assistance with the opening of a corporate account at banks abroad.

Support and assistance with the participation of Basque companies in economic development projects in the international arena, with the support of MULTILATERAL ENTITIES (IDB, WB, FINDETER, CAF, etc.).



SUBSIDY TYPE

Integrated support for Basque companies to ease their access to foreign markets and their processes to complete full roll-out there through the SPRI FOREIGN NETWORK.





The management firm invests through Funds with a temporary minority interest in the capital of non-financial companies that are not officially traded. It manages three types of funds based on the project promoter profile and the investment objective:

Generalist Funds

Investment in **industrial** companies and services related with industry

Companies that are **innovative with** a high potential for **growth**

Companies with investment and development projects for new businesses / markets

Entrepreneurship Funds

Innovative companies

Companies with intensive use of new information technologies

Biotechnology companies

Lanpar Fund

It promotes the workers' participation in every field within the company

It allows for improvement in the company's financing

For the promotion, maintenance and development of projects by combining capital, labour and knowledge in a committed manner





Location sites based on each company's needs, managed through SPRI Group Companies.

SPRILUR	Land and urbanised industrial areas for installing and locating industrial projects.
TECHNOLOGY PARKS	Technology Parks Network. They house technologically advanced companies, research centres and various entities which make them a point of reference in R&D. • Álava Technology Park • Bizkaia Science and Technology Park • Gipuzkoa Science and Technology Park
INCUBATORS – BICs	Incubator spaces for new technology and/or innovation-based companies (START-UPS): • BIC ARABA (Araba) • BIC BIZKAIA EZKERRALDEA (Bizkaia) • BIC BIZKAIA (Bizkaia) • BIC GIPUZKOA (Gipuzkoa)







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