

Country: GREECE

Funding institution: General Secretariat for Research & Technology (GSRT)

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Specifically, all topics within RIS3 (<https://www.espa.gr/en/pages/staticRIS3.aspx>) can be funded, i.e.

- 1) Agrofood
- 2) Life sciences & Health – Medicine
- 3) ICT
- 4) Energy
- 5) Environment & sustainable growth – climate change
- 6) Transports & Logistics
- 7) Materials – Constructions
- 8) Culture – Tourism – Cultural & Creative Industries

Who can apply?

In Greece, only Private sector legal entities (including SMEs) in individual terms or in collaboration with Higher Education Establishments or Public Research Centres are eligible for funding.

Proposals with no Private sector legal entities (including SMEs) participation are not eligible for funding.

What types of funding are eligible for Greek researchers?

Aid for research and development projects (COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 article 25)

1. The aided part of the research and development project shall completely fall within one or more of the following categories:

- (a) industrial research;
- (b) experimental development;

2. The eligible costs of research and development projects shall be allocated to a specific category of research and development and shall be the following:

- (a) personnel costs: researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the project;
- (b) costs of instruments and equipment to the extent and for the period used for the project. Where such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the project, as calculated on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles are considered as eligible.

(c) Costs for of buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration period used for the project. With regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the project, as calculated on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles are considered as eligible. For land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs are eligible.

(d) costs of contractual research, knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at arm's length conditions, as well as costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the project;

(e) additional overheads and other operating expenses, including costs of materials, supplies and similar products, incurred directly as a result of the project;

3. The aid intensity for each beneficiary:

(a) 50 % of the eligible costs for industrial research;

(b) 25 % of the eligible costs for experimental development;

(Note that for Public Research Institutes and Universities the aid intensity can reach 100% in accordance to the article 2.1.1 of the «Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation» (2014/C 198/01)).

4. The aid intensities for industrial research and experimental development may be increased up to a maximum aid intensity of 80 % of the eligible costs as follows:

(a) by 10 percentage points for medium-sized enterprises and by 20 percentage points for small enterprises;

(b) by 15 percentage points if one of the following conditions is fulfilled:

(i) the project involves effective collaboration:

— between undertakings among which at least one is an SME, or is carried out in at least two Member States, or in a Member State and in a Contracting Party of the EEA Agreement, and no single undertaking bears more than 70 % of the eligible costs, or — between an undertaking and one or more research and knowledge-dissemination organisations, where the latter bear at least 10 % of the eligible costs and have the right to publish their own research results;

(ii) the results of the project are widely disseminated through conferences, publication, open access repositories, or free or open source software.

Further information regarding the categorization of aid intensity and the eligibility of costs is available at the national guide published at GSRT website.

For more information please contact the NCP.

Eligible costs as Indirect costs

Up to 5% of the total budget. (Indirect costs are eligible only for Public Research Institutes and Universities.)

Upper funding limits for the eligible costs

Upper limit of the total public funding will be 100.000 € per project (including indirect costs). The maximum state aid intensity will be calculated according to the provisions of the European state aid rules and regulations in force (type of research activity, size of the participating enterprise, collaborative research).

Duration of the projects

- The duration of a funded project is 24-36 months.
- An extension of duration can be accepted without increasing the scientific or the financial part of the project.

National phase: A national call will be announced for the submission of the approved proposals at national level after the selection of the projects at European level.

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