



Smart & Sustainable Investment Grant

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Overview

Malta Enterprise shares the EU vision that Digital and Sustainability practices are the key drivers to growth

How?

- Through significant Investment from both the EU and the national public sector, as well as the private sector.

Focus?

- Twin transition of digital and environmentally-sustainable business practices which will provide an opportunity for enterprises to grow, enhance their competitiveness and improve economic sustainability

In order to reach such goals, Malta Enterprise launched various Sustainability Grants which:

- Provide business funding to support the undertaking of investments
- Lead to more sustainable and digitalised processes
- Lead to more sustainable transportation
- Result in the enhancement of competitiveness of the enterprises through the optimisation of the use of resources in their activities

Smart and Sustainable



Eligibility

- The measure is open to limited liability companies registered with the MBR, partnerships and self-employed engaged in an economic activity that operates from a licensed commercial property
- Have no dues in relation to VAT, Income Tax and Social Security
- The applicant must not be engaged in activities specifically excluded under the de minimis Regulation
- The applicant must have at least 1 full time employee registered with Jobsplus

Eligibility Criteria

- The Investment Project must be of at least **€10,000**
- Projects that are deemed to constitute the replacement of equipment, plant or machinery that has reached (or almost reached) its useable life shall not be considered eligible.
- Projects must be completed in **12 months**
- Supported investments must be maintained for a minimum of **three (3) years.**
- Any costs incurred before the approval of the Corporation will not be considered as eligible

Eligible Costs

- Replacement, modification or add-on of **current** machinery & processes
- Investment must reduce applicant's carbon footprint by at least **10%** on that specific process and investment
- The CO2 savings must be clearly substantiated through the submission of a carbon footprint report compiled by a warranted engineer or competent person as may be acceptable to the Corporation

Eligible Costs

Specialised technical services and procurement of technologies that enable the undertaking to measure parameters linked to its' carbon footprint.

- Such investments should have the scope of identifying actions to reduce carbon footprint. Aid for these cost items must be incorporated within an eligible sustainability project and shall be capped at 20% of the total amount approved.
- Any technical service must be provided by unrelated parties and must be covered by a contractual agreement of which only the initial 12 months shall be eligible.
- Costs of an operational nature such as software licences, SaaS solutions, routine services, servicing and maintenance shall not be considered eligible for support

Support

- **50%** of investment costs up to a maximum of **€100,000** per project and
- Top up of a **10%** or **20%** Tax Credit (max €40,000) on any **One** or **Two**:
 - Project results in a new / expansion of investment in Gozo
 - Project carried out by an undertaking established for < 3 years
 - Project supported by an Energy Audit on all processes of applicant
 - Project achieves at least 50% carbon savings

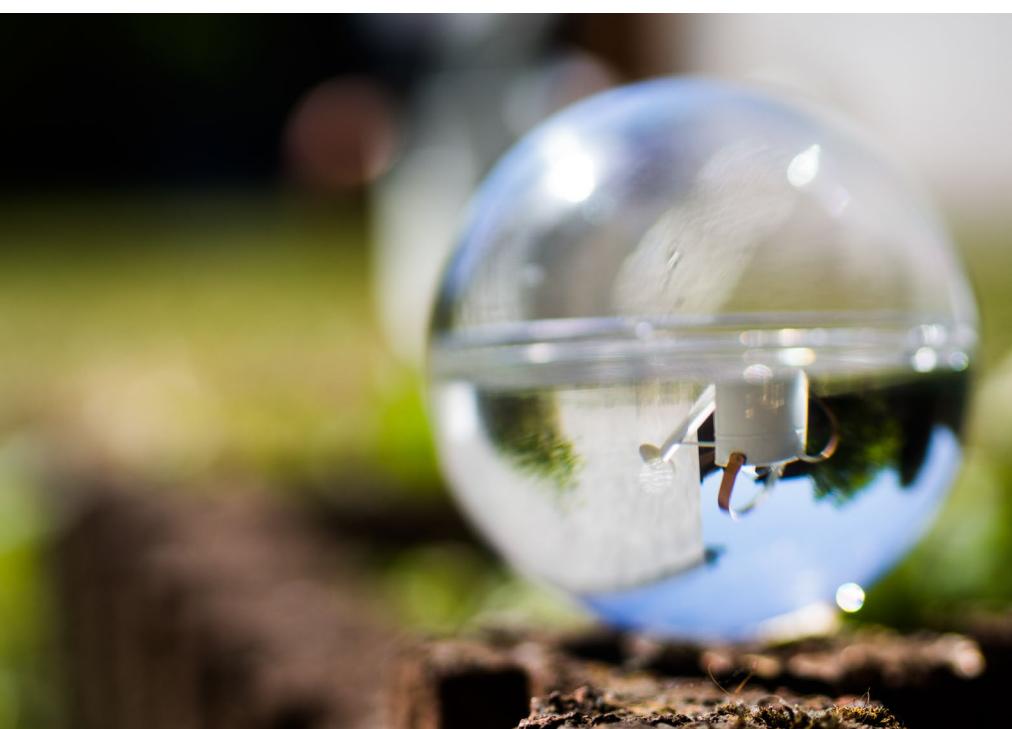
Measures

Waste Minimisation

- The introduction of new industrial solutions or strategic modifications to existing plant and machinery. This targets the reduction in materials per production unit
Reduction in packaging Increase of lifespan products

Water Efficiency

- Reducing Water use per Production Unit. Investments in solutions to improve water usages such as investments in closed-cycle water systems and investment to store run-off rainwater.



Measures

Sustainable Materials

- Investments in the change of materials in production process and products which ensure better recovery of material at product's end of life.
- These will include sustainable and/or ecologically- friendly material and reduction/ elimination of toxic material. Investment can include: Pilot Projects and Changes in the value chain to through certified green sources

Energy Efficiency

- Reducing Energy Use per Production Unit. Investments in solutions to:
 - reduce power requirement in relation to machinery and lighting,
 - improve insulation of buildings,
 - cogenerate heat, power and geo-thermal installations

Measures

Sustainable Digitalisation

- The adoption of technologies carried out by electronic devices and/or systems which make it possible to increase product functionality, modernise processes, or migrate to business models based on the disintermediation of goods production and service delivery, eventually leading to more environmentally efficient operations;
- Projects could include:
 - Increase process efficiency through IoT (smart HVAC, system monitoring etc).
 - The installation of building management systems to optimize heat, light and power usage.



Application

- Full project details and costs to be incurred
- A technical analysis by a competent person (such as an engineer) on the environmental and energy savings (on a template provided by the Corporation) quantifying the gains to be achieved through the project
- A report on the current carbon footprint, and the forecast reduction in CO2 emissions following the completion of the project
- A cost benefit analysis that justifies that the proposed solution is the most viable option for the applicant may be requested
- Applications may be submitted until 30th November 2026.

Application

- Details, objectives and implementation period of the Project
- Metrics based on the type of project being implemented
- Technical analysis of the savings and reduction in carbon footprint
- Results to be achieved
- Detailed project costs
- Supporting documentation (carbon report, permits, quotations, compliance certificate, audited accounts)



Thank You

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