

Financial incentives for the green transition at national level

GREEN TRANSITION IN CONSTRUCTION 11.9.2024

OPEN CALLS FOR TENDER



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Patent, design, trademark vouchers

Purpose: to encourage SME companies to protect their intellectual property in order to: contribute to the growth and reputation of the company, strengthen competitiveness and strengthen market position. The voucher will allow companies to co-finance eligible costs relating to: the preparation of a patent, design, trade mark application; the application and/or registration/grant/maintenance/dissemination abroad of the patent, design, trade mark; and the translation of the application. 5

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Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	Costs of preparing the dossier, translating the application and application costs	EUR 2 million	1.1.2024 to 30.9.2028
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Application deadline:
SMEs and cooperatives	Slovenian Enterprise Fund (SEF)	60 % min. EUR 500 max. EUR 5.000	31. 3. 2028



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Voucher for participation in economic delegations abroad

Purpose: to encourage companies to participate in outbound economic delegations (including bilateral B2B meetings), to network with potential business partners and find new business opportunities, to increase visibility and gain experience in presenting and doing business in foreign markets and to increase the competitiveness of companies.

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Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	participation fees, transport and accommodation costs	EUR 0,5 million	1.1.2024 to 30.9.2028
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
SMEs, sole traders, cooperatives	Slovenian Enterprise Fund (SEF)	60 % (de-minimis aid) min. EUR 300 max. 3.000 EUR	31. 3. 2028



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Certification voucher

Object: co-financing of eligible costs of obtaining certificates or maintenance/renewal of certificates for management systems, products, processes and services and validation of the environmental statement, obtained on the basis of international/European/equivalent Slovenian standards and schemes (ISO, IATF, IEC and ITU, EN, and ETSI, EMAS, ECOLABEL, IFS, BRC, FSC, PEFC, COSMOS).

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Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	costs of preparation for certification, purchase of the standard, acquisition, maintenance and renewal costs	EUR 3 million	1.1.2024 to 30.9.2028
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
SMEs, sole traders, cooperatives	Slovenian Enterprise Fund (SEF)	60 % (de-minimis aid) min. EUR 1.000 max. 9.999,99 EUR	31. 3. 2028



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Co-financing of individual appearances at international fairs 2023-2028

Purpose: to increase the possibility of presenting the products/services of companies to the international business community, to increase the possibilities of business cooperation of companies with foreign partners and to increase their international competitiveness and internationalisation rate.

Objective: to strengthen the sustainable growth and competitiveness of SMEs and create jobs in SMEs, including productive investment.

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Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	costs of renting exhibition space for international fairs, costs of setting up and arranging the exhibition space, costs of technical connections, costs of managing the exhibition space and costs of exhibition equipment	EUR 9,56 million (of which EUR 1.8 million available in 2024)	from 12.7.2024 to 12.10.2028
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
MSP	SPIRIT	flat-rate amount per unit	Varies from 30.9.2024 to 1.10.2028 - depending on the date of participation in the fairs

Centre of Excellence for Design Management

Purpose: to introduce, implement and upgrade design management and branding in Slovenian companies, to promote the use of sustainable design in the planning and use of products or services, to create new or improve existing products or services with service design skills, to develop the related competences of managers and employees, to stimulate improvements in business processes and increase the competitiveness of Slovenian companies, to increase the number of jobs in the participating companies, to improve the visibility of Slovenian brands and products or services of Slovenian design.

Objective: to achieve the involvement of companies in training, to achieve at least one business process improvement and at least one new or improved product or service in the involved company, in line with new knowledge or practice, to obtain international recognition for new or improved products of Slovenian companies, to increase the visibility of Slovenian companies, brands and Slovenian design.

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Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	staff costs, external contractors, indirect costs, depreciation of fixed assets, material costs	EUR 1,5 million	1.8.2024 to 30.6.2027
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
companies, institutions, chambers of commerce, chambers of crafts, cooperatives	SPS	100%	25.9.2024

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RRI programme from TRL 3-6

Purpose: to promote the implementation of R&D&I programmes that bring together academia and business and combine knowledge and competences to develop new products, services and processes for the application of new technologies in S5 priority areas.

The aim is to support RRI consortia programmes, which will include projects focused on new products and services with high added value and with demonstrated market potential at international level, resulting in increased competitiveness of the partners involved in value chains at global level.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	Labour costs, external contractors, flat-rate	EUR 58.7 million (17,2 V and 41,5 Ž Slovenia)	until 30 June 2027
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
At least 3 ROs and 4 unrelated companies, of which at least 2 SMEs	Public Agency for Scientific Research and Innovation of the Republic of Slovenia (ARIS)	Between 25 and 80% (depending on the size of the company)	Q2 2024



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Eurostars

Purpose: is the implementation of the Eurostars 3 programme, which supports innovative SME companies and their partners (large companies, academic institutions, research institutes and other forms of organisations) to carry out their RDI projects resulting in a new process, product or service with a foreseeable short time-to-market.

Slovenian partners can receive co-funding for RDI projects carried out in the form of industrial research and experimental development.

Link to the closed call (for information only): <https://eurekanetwork.org/opencalls/eurostars-call-for-projects-mar-2024/>

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	Labour costs, mission expenses, use of OS, investment in equipment, external contractors, lump sum	EUR 4,5 million	Between 2024 and 2028
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Application deadline:
SMEs, large	Public Agency for Scientific Research and Innovation of the Republic of Slovenia (ARIS)	SME 50%, Large p. 40% Up to EUR 500.000 / project	Q2 2024

Other ARIS calls in 2024 (via IGHI)

Title	Estimated date of publication:	Tender value:	Funding period
Early career researchers	Q2 2024	EUR 10 million	2024-2027
Eureka	Q3 2024	EUR 10.5 million	2024-2028
Researchers in business	Q3 - Q4 2024	EUR 17,5 million	2025-2028

ARIS; Current calls and calls: <https://www.aris-rs.si/sl/razpisi/>

ARIS; Forecast of calls and calls in 2024: <https://www.aris-rs.si/sl/razpisi/24/pregled-razpisov.asp>



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JR RRI from TRL 6-9

Purpose: to support R&D projects relating to the development or testing of new or improved products, processes or services with high added value and market potential, resulting in increased competitiveness of the participating enterprises.

Objective: to co-fund innovative, research and development projects relating to the development of new or improved products, processes or services with high added value and market potential, resulting in increased competitiveness of the participating enterprises.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	staff costs, external contractors, intangible assets, indirect costs	EUR 40 million (of which EUR 10 million available in 2024)	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
companies	Public Agency for Scientific Research and Innovation of the Republic of Slovenia (ARIS)	up to a maximum of 60 % (depending on the size of the company)	Q4 2024



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Demo Pilots

Purpose: to support pilot demonstration projects by including incentives for test and experimental infrastructures, which in turn increase the competitiveness of the participating companies.

Objective: to co-finance pilot demonstration projects or projects to set up test and experimental infrastructures.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	staff costs, external contractors, indirect costs, purchase of intangible and tangible assets	EUR 60 million (of which EUR 15 million available in 2024)	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Application deadline:
companies	Public Agency for Scientific Research and Innovation of the Republic of Slovenia (ARIS)	up to a maximum of 60 % (depending on the size of the undertaking and the State aid scheme used)	Q4 2024



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Small value incentives through vouchers

Purpose: through the Small Value Incentives scheme, to give SMEs simplified access to incentives to strengthen their competitiveness and competences, which will translate into faster growth.

Objective: to increase the competitiveness of the economy by creating high value-added products and services, and to strengthen corporate social responsibility (CSR) to accelerate the transition to a climate-neutral society.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	costs of outsourced services	EUR 24.09 million (of which available in 2024 EUR 2.56 million)	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
SMEs, sole traders, cooperatives	Slovenian Enterprise Fund (SIF)	60 % (de-minimis aid)	1st quarter 2024



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Strengthening branding in foreign markets through showrooms abroad

Purpose: to support companies wishing to strengthen their branding in foreign markets and thus achieve higher added value and competitive advantage in the market, both in the positioning of their final products and in their integration into global value chains at different levels.

Objective: higher added value in the supported companies, strengthening the final products of Slovenian companies on foreign markets and positioning the products of Slovenian companies higher up in global value chains.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	costs of outsourced services	EUR 7.5 million (of which in 2024 EUR 0.5 million available)	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Application deadline:
SMEs wishing to diversify into foreign markets and/or expand their business existing activities in foreign markets	SPIRIT	up to 75 % of eligible costs	Q3 2024



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Business and development partnerships abroad

Purpose: to encourage partnerships composed of at least three small or medium-sized enterprises to cooperate in the export sector in the short or long term.

Objective: to establish partnerships and to launch them in foreign markets, thereby improving the chances of companies expanding their activities in foreign markets or entering new markets to enter or expand their business in foreign markets.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	salaries, mission expenses, participation in fairs, external contractors, information and communication costs, indirect costs	EUR 6,75 million	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
MSP	SPIRIT	up to 50 % of eligible costs	Q4 2024



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Micro-incentives in the wood sector 3.0

Purpose: to encourage the development of micro-enterprises in the timber sector, thus harnessing the development potential of our strategic raw material (timber) and contributing to faster local development.

Objective: creation of new jobs and employment or increase in value added per employee in SMEs, implementation of projects in enterprises in the field of wood use involving resource efficiency.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	the cost of purchasing tangible and intangible fixed assets	EUR 2 million	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
MSP	MGTŠ or SPS	from EUR 10 000 to 70.000 EUR	Q2 2024



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Voucher incentive scheme for SMEs in the wood sector - Research and Design Voucher

Purpose: to encourage target groups to introduce development (including design) activities into the business processes of companies.

Objective: to help companies address development issues linked to a specific business challenge.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	costs of external contractors	EUR 0,3 million	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
MSP	Slovenian Enterprise Fund (SEF)	up to 60 % of the eligible costs or up to a maximum of EUR 9 999,99	Q2 2024



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Promoting a circular economy using wood - products

Purpose: to harness the development potential of our strategic raw material (wood) in the transition to a climate-neutral society through new wood products.

Objective: to produce products from wood and wood-based materials with a low carbon footprint and in line with the principles of the circular economy.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
Combination of grant and repayable co-financing	the cost of purchasing tangible and intangible fixed assets	EUR 6,6 million	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
companies	Slovenian Enterprise Fund (SEF)	under state aid schemes	Q4 2024



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Promoting a circular economy using wood - business models

Purpose: to help companies adapt to the development trends linked to the transition to a climate-neutral economy.

Aim: to adapt companies' business models to the principles of circular business and digitalisation of business.

Type of support:	Eligible costs:	Indicative amount of funding:	Period of eligibility:
grants	still in the process of coordination	EUR 8 million	still in the process of coordination
Beneficiaries:	Contractor:	Amount of co-financing:	Deadline:
companies	MGTŠ or SPS	under state aid schemes	Q4 2024



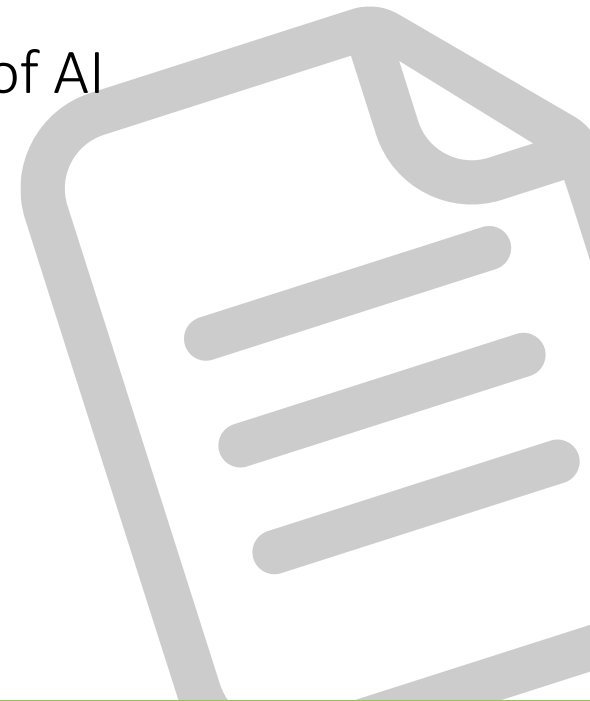
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Ministry for Digital Transformation (MDP) - foreseen through Aris

- Action 1: Support to technology development projects (TRL 3-6) in the field of artificial intelligence (AI)
- Action 2: Support to interdisciplinary innovation projects (TRL 7-9) in the field of AI
- Action 3: Support for reference AI implementation projects
- Action 4: Support for professional training programmes in the field of AI



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Ministry of Cohesion and Regional Development (MoCRR)

- The call for initial investments in problem and border areas will only be launched in 2025 (estimated at €15 million)
- Call for graduates to work in a company in problem / border areas (co-financing of labour costs)



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Ministry of the Environment, Climate and Energy (MOPE)

- All MOPE and Ekosklad calls on the [Energy](#) portal.

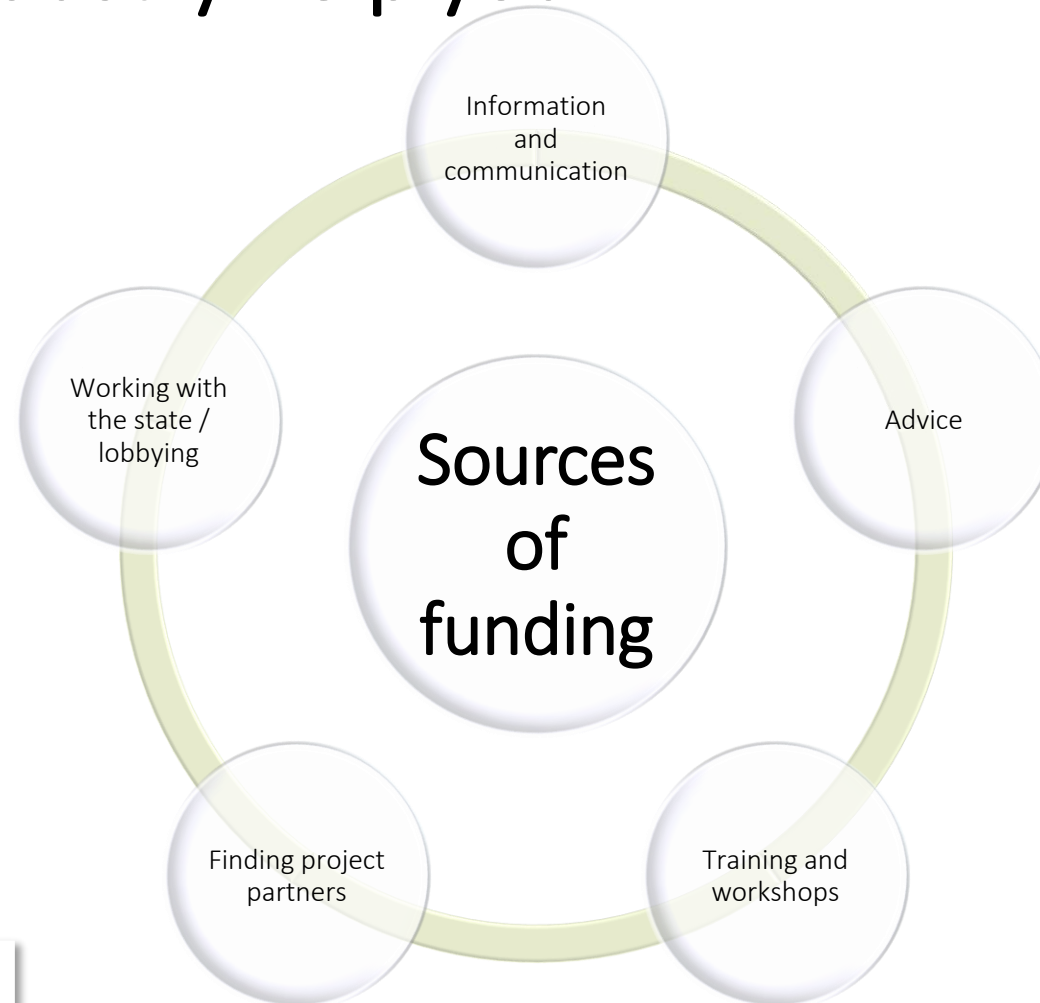


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