



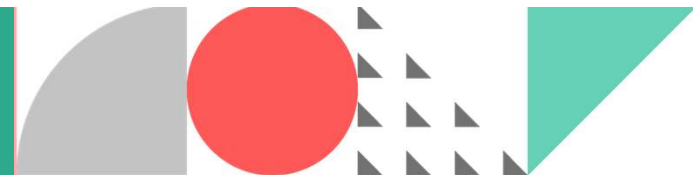
AGÊNCIA NACIONAL
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Portugal

**Eligibility and funding conditions for
Portuguese entities**

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National Funding framework (Portugal)



Funding for Eureka Network Projects (PT entities)*

1 **Type of call:** PT2030 - SIID – Internacionalização de I&D - “Operações de I&D Industrial à Escala Europeia”.

2 **Projects covered:**

- **EUREKA projects**, including “classic” Eureka **Network Projects**, Eureka **Clusters**, **Globalstars** and **Multilateral** calls);
- **EUROSTARS-3**

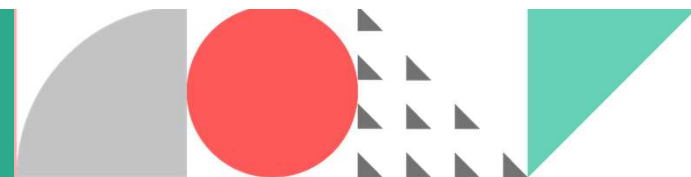
3 **Type of Funding:** grant

4 **Eligible entities:** SMEs and/or Small Mid-cap companies (mandatory) + universities, research centres and other non-entrepreneurial entities (ENESII) from all geographic regions from Continental Portugal (Norte, Centro, Lisboa, Alentejo and Algarve) are eligible for funding. ENESII from the Autonomous Regions of The Azores and Madeira, are also eligible for funding.

* Funded projects must include **industrial research and/or experimental development activities**, leading to the creation of new products, processes or systems or to the introduction of significant improvements in existing products, processes or systems.



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Specific eligibility criteria (main highlights)

Fit into National and/or Regional RIS3

Fit into the priority areas of the research and innovation strategy for smart specialization
- National and/or Regional RIS3.



Balanced economic and financial situation

Beneficiaries must present a balanced economic and financial situation



Approval of the project within Eureka

Present evidence of the approval of the project within the Eureka Programmes (Eureka label / Eureka Cluster label / notification of approval in case of Eurostars projects).



Must have a Portuguese SME or Small-Mid Cap company*

It is mandatory to have a Portuguese SME or a Small Mid-cap leading the national consortium.

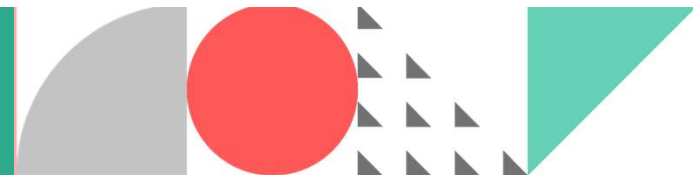


- When PT company partners with PT R&D entities: the main partner of the national consortium should ensure the largest share of the national eligible investment.

***Small-mid cap company** (Small Mid Cap)' means a company that does not meet the SME criteria and whose number of employees does not exceed 499, whose annual turnover does not exceed 100 million euros or whose annual balance sheet does not exceed 86 million of euros, as provided for in point 103-E of article 2 of Regulation (EU) no. 651/2014, of the Commission, of 17 June, in its current wording.



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Specific eligibility criteria (main highlights)

Mandatory “financial autonomy ratio”*

If SME or Small Mid-Cap: 15%

Companies that have been active for less than one year at the date of the application, should demonstrate the capacity to finance the project with own capital, equal to or greater than 20% of eligible costs.

Large companies are not eligible for funding.

* Financial autonomy ratio = Equity / Net Assets



Additional documents required for the national application

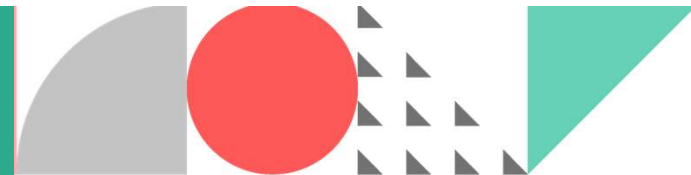
After being awarded with the Eureka label,

Portuguese entities must:

- Submit a separate national application complying with Portugal's 2030 call “Aviso para “Operações de I&D Industrial à Escala Europeia” specific access conditions.
- Upload copy of the original International Application
- Upload copy of the final international evaluation report;
- Submit a draft of the International Consortium Agreement
- National Technical Annex



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Eligible costs



Personnel costs, (technical staff directly allocated to R&D activities, including scholarships and the hiring of new staff)

Raw Materials, Consumables and Components

Subcontracting (up to 30% of the total eligible investment of the national component of the project)

Instruments, technical-scientific equipment and specific software

Dissemination of project results

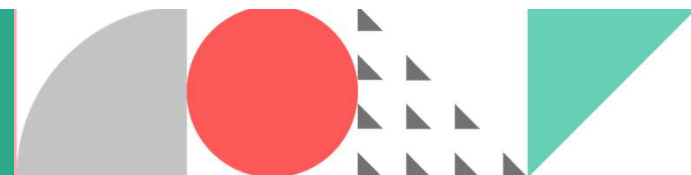
Travel and accommodation abroad

+ Overheads 7% fixed rate applied to all direct eligible costs (incl. subcontracting costs)

- Possibility of including the eligible investment in R&D share, that is not co-funded by European or national grants in **SIFIDE (Sistema de Incentivos Fiscais à I&D empresarial / System of Tax Incentives for Business R&D)**.



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Co-funding rates

Type of organization	Basic Rate Industrial Research activities ¹	Basic Rate Experimental Development activities ²	Bonus “type of company”	Bonus “cooperation” or “dissemination” ³	On Average
Micro or Small Company	50%	25%	+ 20 p.p.	+ 15 p.p.	65% to 80%
Medium Company	50%	25%	+ 10 p.p.	+ 15 p.p.	60% to 70%
Small Mid-cap companies	50%	25%.	N.A.	+ 15 p.p.	50% to 55%
Research Organization or University ⁴	85% ⁴				85%

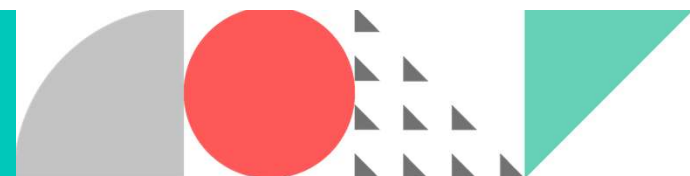
Important: For investments located in **NUTS II Lisboa**, the maximum co-funding rate is **40% of eligible costs**.

¹ “Industrial Research” activities comprise TRL 2 to 4

² “Experimental Development” activities comprise TRL 5 to 8

³ “Cooperation” between autonomous companies or between companies and other not for profit organizations; wide technical and scientific “dissemination” of project results

⁴ provided the companies are not receiving indirect State Aid



Relevant legislation:

Aviso MPr-2023-04
SIID – Internacionalização de I&D
Operações de I&D Industrial à
Escala Europeia

<https://www.compete2030.gov.pt/aviso/aviso-siid-internacionalizacao-de-id/>

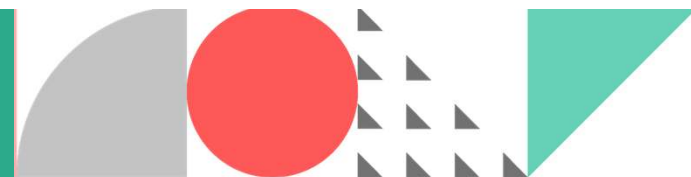


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