



Calls for Business Development, Innovation and SMEs  
under the EEA& Norway Grants  
Bulgaria and Romania

# Highlights

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## New Calls - Green Industry Innovation

Call	Size of the grant	Budget	Deadline for project submission
<b>Bulgaria:</b> Small Grants Scheme (Norway Grants)	50 000 Euro – 200 000 Euro	1 700 000 Euro	Thursday, June 24th, 2021, 13:00 h Bulgarian time
<b>Romania:</b> Individual Project Scheme (EEA Grants)	200 000 Euro – 2 000 000 Euro	3 145 029 Euro	Wednesday, September 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2021, 13:00 h Romanian time
<b>Romania:</b> Small Grants Scheme (EEA Grants)	50 000 Euro – 200 000 Euro	2 500 000 Euro	Wednesday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021, 13:00 h Romanian time

# Who can apply?

<b>Bulgaria</b> Small Grants Scheme Green Industry Innovation	<b>Romania</b> Individual Project Scheme Green Industry Innovation	<b>Romania</b> Small Grants Scheme Green Industry Innovation
SMEs established for at <b>least three years</b> in Bulgaria and registered under the Bulgarian Commercial Act	Enterprises with no more than 25% public ownership, established for at <b>least three years</b> in Romania	Enterprises with no more than 25% public ownership and not-for-profit organizations, established for at <b>least three years</b> in Romania



# Who can become project partners?

Private or public sector  
(e.g. enterprises, universities, NGOs, public institutions)

**Bulgaria**  
Small Grants Scheme

Entities registered in Norway or Bulgaria

**Romania**  
Small Grants Scheme &  
Individual Project  
Scheme

Entities registered in Norway, Liechestein, Iceland, Romania



# Eligible Activities



**Development, implementation and investment in innovative environmentally friendly technologies**

**Development of green products, services, technologies**



**Development and implementation of greener production processes**



# How much funding can my project get?

## Regional Aid (art 13-14)

- 25% for Sofia and South-West region of Bulgaria;
- 50% for the other five regions
- 50% for South-Muntenia, South-East, North-East, North-West, South-West, Centre Region
- 35% for Ilfov and West region: up to 35% of the eligible costs;
- 10% for Bucharest

## Research & Development and Innovation (art 25)

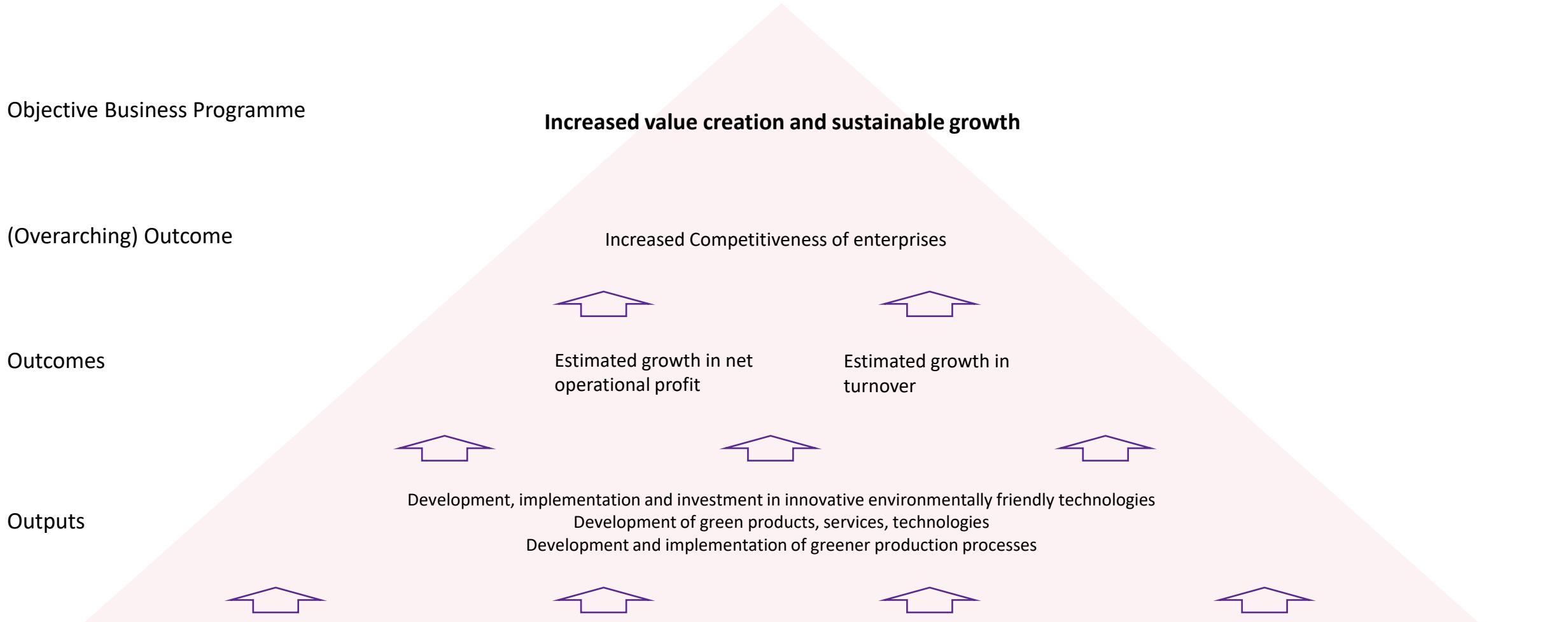
- 25% for experimental development (TRL 5 – TRL 8)
- + 15% bonus for R&D collaboration with partner

### SME bonus:

- 10% medium sized company
- 20% small size company



# Project Eligibility Check based on the principle of result-orientation



Project activities are eligible if they directly contribute to achieving the outputs, outcomes, and ultimately (at least likely) help to reach the objective

# Pay attention to the Mandatory Attachments

## Mandatory attachments to the project application:

1. Expected outcomes of the implementation of the project
2. Detailed Activity Budget
3. Disbursement Plan
4. Project Implementation Plan
5. Procurement Plan
6. Letter of Commitment
7. Business plan
8. Draft Partnership Agreement
9. CVs of the project management team
10. Communication Plan
11. Self-Declaration re. undertaking in difficulty\_v.1.0
12. Self-declaration regarding clean tax and criminal record of the Applicant (and Partner(s) - if relevant)
13. Relevant registration certificates (no template available)
14. Certified annual financial accounts (no template available)
15. Annual report for year 2020 (no template available)





# Essential reading



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## Essential Reading for Project Applicants

1. [Standard Terms and Conditions](#)
2. [Project Assessment Criteria and Methodology](#)
3. [Guidelines on Cross-Cutting Issues](#)
4. [Communication Guidelines](#)
5. [Glossary of Terms](#)
6. [Conversion Guidelines Emissions](#)
7. [Guideline for Detailed Budget and Financial Forecast](#)
8. [FAQ - Business Programme - all countries](#)
9. [Top Most Common Mistakes](#)

# Advice for those who want to get involved with EEA and Norway Grants

1. Be prepared – know as much as possible about the programme, the market, and business opportunities before the call is launched
2. **Take your time to get to know your future partner well before you sign the contract**
3. Visit the company in the partner country - you can apply for travel support
4. Make sure there is the economic and financial basis required to take the project to a successful conclusion
5. Consider participating in an innovative project involving development demonstration and piloting of new solutions, processes and products
6. Make sure to have sufficient time and resources for the project administration



## Calls for Proposals

**Website:** [innovasjonorge.no/eea-norway-grants](https://innovasjonorge.no/eea-norway-grants)

A series of calls is being launched under EEA and Norway Grants 2014-2021. You can also apply for travel support to meet potential partners and develop your ideas for projects.

Find more Calls for Proposals ^

All available calls can be found on the [EEA Grants](#).



### Bulgaria

[The Call for Proposals - Welfare Technology, Small Grant Scheme](#). Deadline:  
Wednesday, 12 May 2021.

[The Call for Proposals - Welfare Technology, Individual Projects Scheme](#). Deadline:  
Wednesday, 12 May 2021.

[The 2nd Call for Proposals, Green Industry Innovation, Small Grants Scheme](#). Deadline:  
Thursday, 24 June 2021



### Romania

#### Business

[The Second Calls for Project Proposals – SMEs Growth in Romania, Individual Projects Scheme](#), is now open.

Deadline: Wednesday, 15 September 2021, 13:00 Romanian time

[The Second Calls for Project Proposals – SMEs Growth in Romania, Small Grants Scheme](#), is now open.

Deadline: Wednesday, 22 September 2021, 13:00 Romanian time

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