

EU funding for energy efficiency - Monitoring systems for energy consumption

Funding programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU Funds – „Large Infrastructure” Operational Programme – Priority Axis 6 – Promoting clean energy and energy efficiency from the perspective of sustaining the economy with lower carbon emissions
Programme operator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry for European Funds
Programme objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote activities relating to the implementation of energy consumption monitoring systems for industrial consumers. • Energy consumption reduction and limiting the emission of greenhouse gases by the supported companies • Strengthened capacity for industrial producers to identify and implement energy efficiency measures by introducing monitoring systems
Eligible beneficiaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industrial SMEs and large enterprises, as formed in accordance with Law nr. 31/1990 (amended and supplemented), that are large energy consumers (with consumption over 1,000 toe/year), for which it is necessary to implement monitoring systems so as to identify faster solutions for reducing the technological consumption and for which an instrument must exist that evaluates and quantifies the positive effects of the applied measures to increase energy efficiency.
Eligible activities	<p>The acquisition of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Necessary facilities/equipment for the energy consumption monitoring systems at industrial companies with a consumption of over 1,000 toe/year, with the scope of immediately reducing losses, quantifying the saving potential and locating the points to maximise efficiency for the measures that will be subsequently applied by the consumer to increase energy efficiency. • Monitoring systems (hardware and software): sensors for measuring instruments and/or measuring instruments and control devices for industrial data processing • RTU (Remote Terminal Units) – Units for sampling industrial or terrain data, data communication system; • Data communication system • Main/principal/master station (station that receives all the communications and which is connected to all the equipment and subsystems) • Computerised data processing system, recommended for certain solutions or activities and/or the optimisation of those activities • Other equipment
Ineligible costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tax on the recovered value/returned amount • Interest on debt except for those relating to grants awarded in the form of interest rate subsidies or guarantee fees • Other fees on loans • Amortisation costs • Acquisition of second-hand equipment • Fines, penalties and judicial costs • Costs relating to the operation of the investment objectives • Costs incurred for implementing on own accord the investment objectives • Costs relating to energy audit activities
Programme and environmental indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The energy intensity in the industry • Productive investment: number of aided companies
Funding conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ max Grant value/ project EUR 200,000 or its equivalent in lei ▪ Funding intensity up to 100% of the total eligible costs
Applicant eligibility	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The applicant is legally founded in Romania and carries out its activities in Romania 2. The applicant is an industrial company (conducts its eligible activities in the following sectors: SECTION B – Mining and SECTION C – Manufacturing, as per the CAEN Codes Rev. 2), with a consumption of over 1,000 teo/year 3. The applicant is not currently in one of the following situations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Unable to perform any payments due to insolvency; ○ Has filed for bankruptcy and liquidation, and either the business is being managed by a judicial administrator or the commercial activities are suspended or it is subject to an agreement with its creditors; ○ There is an unfulfilled obligation to pay taxes and social contributions to the general consolidated budget and the local budget; ○ Has been declared/found to be in a serious breach of public procurement

	<p>legislation and/or its obligations assumed through a funding contract/agreement from public funds;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The legal representative of the applicant has been convicted through a final judgment with regards to their professional conduct in breaching the law; ○ The legal representative of the applicant has been subject to any criminal cases relating to fraud, corruption, organised crime or any other unlawful activities; ○ Has become subject to a pending/unexecuted recovery order resulting from the decision of the Competition Council or the European Commission; ○ It is an enterprise in financial difficulties. <p>4. The applicant must demonstrate its implementation abilities through documents relating to the “Implementation Unit of the Project”</p> <p>5. The applicant must demonstrate its financial abilities for implementing the project by presenting its registered revenues for the last three years, which should be at least equal with the solicited grant and the net/operating profit in the financial year preceding the submission of the funding application</p> <p>6. The applicant must prove its ownership/concession/usage rights over the property (land and/or building) where the investment will take place over a period of five years from the projected date for the final payment on the project, and the right to carry out the works included in the project within the property.</p> <p>7. The applicant’s enterprise did not benefit from <i>de minimis</i> aid over a period of 3 consecutive years (the current fiscal year and the 2 previous fiscal years), together with the allocated value of the awarded funds as per this guide, that exceeded EUR 200,000 or its equivalent in lei (EUR 100,000 in case of enterprises dealing with the transport of goods on behalf of third parties or for a fee.</p> <p>8. The applicant does not encourage, support or sponsor any activities that have a negative impact on the environment</p> <p>9. The applicant declares its commitment to implementing energy efficiency measures resulting from the monitoring activities conducted within the project for which funds are requested through Objective 6.2.</p>
Project eligibility	<p>1. The project falls within the categories of fundable activities as mentioned in the POIM, in conformity with AP 6, OS 6.2</p> <p>2. The economic activity as identified by its CAEN code for which the funding is requested must be eligible</p> <p>3. The project includes at least one activity from those listed under the “Eligible activities” section.</p> <p>4. The project is based in one of the following development regions: West, North-West, North, North-East, South-East, South-Muntenia, South-West</p> <p>5. The project’s implementation period falls within the eligible period (between 01.01.2014 and 31.12.2023) and must not exceed 18 months from the signing of the funding contract</p> <p>6. The value of the requested grants does not exceed the limit of EUR 200,000</p> <p>7. The project’s activities were not funded or are not being currently funded from other public funds, with exception of preliminary studies (feasibility study, technical design, work plan details, etc.)</p> <p>8. The project respects national and EU regulations regarding the environment, public procurement, information and publicity, and equality</p> <p>9. The project does not have completed activities at the time of submission of the funding application</p>
Call for submissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call with continuous submissions • Call launch date: to be confirmed, estimated May-June 2016
Budget for submissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget: EUR 11.6 million
Other relevant information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects must accumulate at least 80 points (quality threshold) to enter the selection phase for grants.

Information presented in this presentation have been obtained from the Applicant’s Guide (available for public consultation) for the funding programme, as published on the Ministry of European Funds’ website, hence our liability is limited in the context thereof.

- ▶ To benefit from a preliminary verification of your project’s eligibility, please provide us with a few relevant details in [our online questionnaire](#), and we will contact as soon as possible.
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