

Programming Period: 2014 to 2020

Instrument/Program level: European

Name of the instrument/Program: COSME

Instrument/Program website: <http://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/cosme/>

Instrument/Program eligible areas: BELGIUM; CZECH REPUBLIC; DANMARK; GERMANY; EESTI; IRELAND; SPAIN; FRANCE; CROATIA; ITALY; LATVIA; LITHUANIA; LUXEMBOURG; HUNGARY; MALTA; NETHERLANDS; AUSTRIA; POLAND; PORTUGAL; ROMANIA; SLOVENIA; SLOVAKIA; FINLAND; SWEDEN; UNITED KINGDOM; GREECE; CYPRUS; BULGARIA

Managing authority:

Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (EASME)

Objectives:

- a. To improve access to finance for SMEs in the form of equity and debt;
- b. To improve access to markets, particularly inside the Union but also at global level;
- c. To improve framework conditions for the competitiveness and sustainability of Union enterprises, particularly SMEs, including in the tourism sector;
- d. To promote entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial culture.

Eligible thematics in line with S3: Entrepreneurship & Growth of young companies

Action typologies: Cluster cooperation; Enhancing and developing transnational (self-sustaining) clusters or networks; Foster cooperation and clustering between projects and monitor technology advances and developments in the specific field; Improve access to finance for SMEs in their start-up, growth and transfer phases; Improve cross-border and multi-country financing; Increasing skills of employees and entrepreneurs regarding new technologies, innovative products, services, processes and social innovation; Creation of joint cross-border platforms for know-how and technology transfer as basis for R&I, applied science projects, etc; Implementation of services for knowledge intensive startups with the strong potential to internationalize

Beneficiaries: Local public authority; Regional public authority; National public authority; Higher education and research; Large enterprise, enterprise excluding SME; SME; Business support organisation

Status of the eligible institutions: Public; Private; Public equivalent body; International organisation

Programme contribution maximum: 90%

Programme Budget: 2 298 243 000,00 €

Project budget maximum: 500 000,00 €

Project duration maximum: 24 months

Events organized by this Program: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/events_en