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Bilateral R&D international technological cooperation projects with unilateral certification and supervision are projects accomplished by formally constituted international consortia, with participation of one or more Spanish companies, whom collaborate in an effective way in a R&D project with one or more foreign partners of the following countries:

Mexico, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Colombia, Chile, Argentina, Peru, Brazil, China, Taiwan, India, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Philippines, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Japan, Australia, EEUU, Egypt, Algeria, Morocco, Lebanon and Tunisia.

Beneficiaries

Companies as individuals, or either Economic Interest Groupings (EIG) or consortia constituted by, at least, two independent companies, whom propose the development of a R&D project in collaboration with foreign entities in the above mentioned countries.

Additionally, participating projects derived from Multilateral and Bilateral Programmes who, having already received a positive pre-evaluation by CDTI, it has been no possible to get an international certification.

Duration of the projects

The duration of these projects may be from 12 to 36 months.

Budget of the projects

The minimum eligible budget per company will be of 175.000 €. In the case of projects developed by a consortium or EIG the minimum budget for the project will be of 500.000 €, with a minimum budget of 175.000 € per company in the consortium.

Modality and quantity of the CDTI financing

The R&D projects presented can be financed via one of the two following options:

- Through the call INNOGLOBAL 2017, in which will be financed those projects which meet the requirements of the call, by competitive concurrence.
- The projects could be financially supported in base to a Partially Refundable Aid with the stated conditions of the R&D International Cooperation projects of CDTI, similar conditions to the projects framed in the existing Multilateral and Bilateral Programmes.

The modality of Partially Refundable Aid present a financial coverage of 75% of the total approved budget, extraordinarily it can reach the 85%, with a reimbursable tranche and a non-reimbursable tranche (hereinafter TNR).

A reimbursable tranche within 10 years, counted since the project's centre of gravity, which is calculated in function of the project duration and the amount of the budgetary milestones. The first reimbursement payment has to be done 3 years after the project's centre of gravity, with a minimum of 2 years since the completion date. This reimbursable tranche will have a fixed interest rate equal to one year Euribor [1], to be established at the moment of the project approval.

A TNR [2] of 33% because of the international nature of the project. To take advantage of the bonus tranche indicated in projects, companies must be in possession of the corresponding seal that certifies the existence of cooperation between companies and the international nature of the proposal (Unilateral certification).

In the case that at the end of the process the international cooperation is not certified, the TNR of the project will be the same that for a R&D basic project, providing that:

- The lack of cooperation is produced by causes outside the Spanish company control
- The project supervision, from CDTI point of view, corroborate that the part of the international project carried out by the Spanish company is sufficiently solid to be financed as a R&D project.

The projects between a parent company and its foreign affiliates will not be considered in this category. In that case, national financing will be considered as an ordinary R&D project, without the TNR for international cooperation.

[1] In case the Eurlbor reaches negative values, the CDTI will consider its value as 0.

[2] Subject to funds availability.

International Supervision

To consolidate the TNR associated to the CDTI Financing as an international cooperation project, it will need to check the maintenance of the international nature of the project until its completion.

For that purpose, members of the Red Exterior will participate in the meeting of the projects closure, which must be done in the physical installation of the foreign partners, delivering a Informe de Finalización Internacional.

How to participate in the programme?

The Spanish company with a project idea must present in the CDTI:

- **Preliminary report:** This report, in Spanish, must state the summarized characteristics of the international technological cooperation project together with specific information of the Spanish participant companies involved in the project. Moreover, a activities diagram (Gantt Diagram) must be annexed, where explicit description of the tasks to be done by each one of the participant is shown.
- **Application Form:** This report, in English, (except for those projects in which only Spanish and Ibero-American companies take part), must focus on the project as a whole, the activities of the participants and the importance of the project for all partners. It must be agreed, complimented and signed by all the parts of the international consortium.
- **Consortium agreement:** Document, in English, signed by all partners, (except for those projects in which only Spanish and Ibero-American companies take part), guaranteeing the execution of the project and which describes the agreed conditions of results exploitation, which must be presented signed by the legal representatives of all participant entities in the moment of presenting the complete financing report to the CDTI.
- **Aids declarations and type and category of the company**

Calls

Open Calls

4th Call: During the year 2017, there are 2 cut-off-dates for proposals submission:

- 16th May 2017, at 24:00 according to Spanish time.
- 23th October 2017, at 24:00 according to Spanish time.

- c) Definiciones.
- d) Descripción del proyecto (términos generales, actividades a desarrollar por participante, descripción de entregables, informes necesarios, reparto de responsabilidades,...).
- e) *Project Management* (procedimientos de gestión del proyecto y el consorcio).
- f) Aspectos financieros (presupuesto, informes,...).
- g) Gestión de los derechos de propiedad intelectual.
- h) Reparto del mercado.
- i) Requisitos de confidencialidad.
- j) Publicaciones.
- k) Aspectos legales.
- l) Compromiso de las partes para realizar las siguientes reuniones con presencia de CDTI en las instalaciones del socio no español:
 - i. Reunión de presentación de proyecto, para comprobar que existe una cooperación efectiva entre las empresas participantes que garantiza la consecución de los objetivos.
 - ii. Reunión de cierre, a fin de presentar los resultados del proyecto.
- l) Anexos.