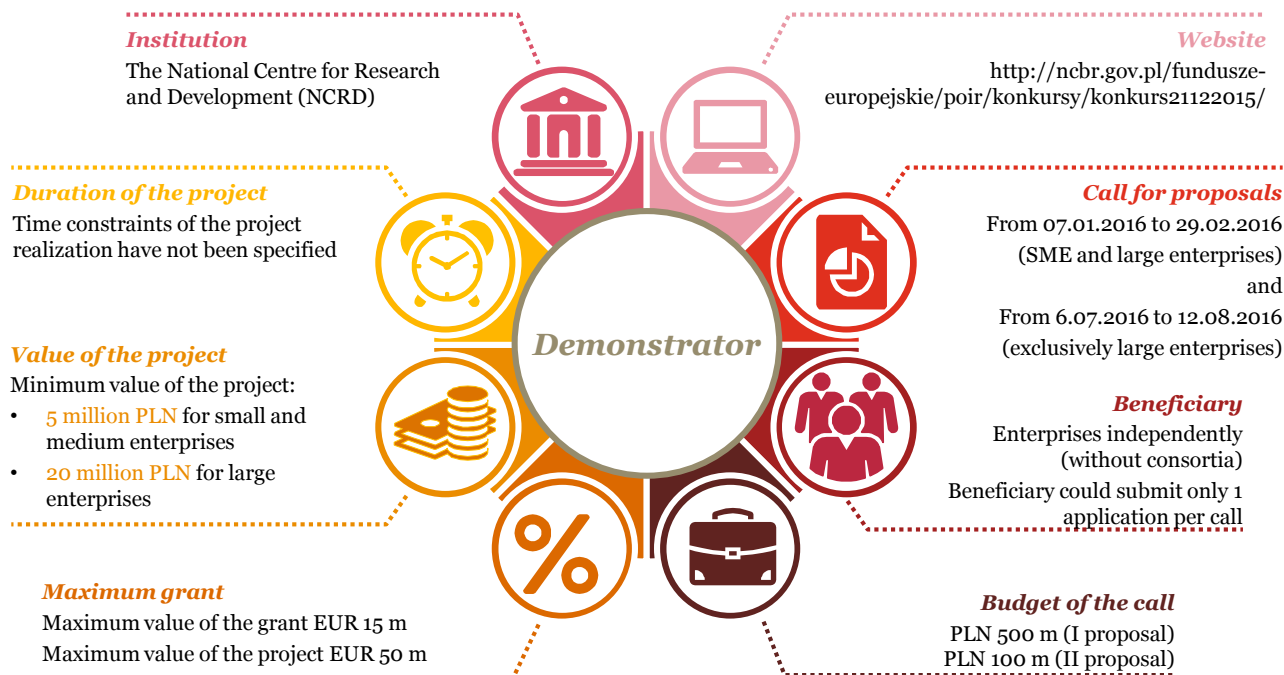


Demonstrator – grants for pilot production and technological lines available since Jan 2016

Basic information about call for proposals within Measure 1.1.2 OP SG „Demonstrator”

Call for proposals within measure „Demonstrator” (Measure 1.1.2 Operational Programme Smart Growth) was published on 7th December 2015. Support will be given to projects involving experimental development aimed at creating and developing pilot and demonstration lines in enterprises. Therefore, the technology readiness level cannot be lower than VI TRL. Call for proposals is directed to all enterprises, irrespective of their size.



New rules of the call for proposals Demonstrator substantially differ from the past rules for applications and project realization. The main changes that have been introduced:

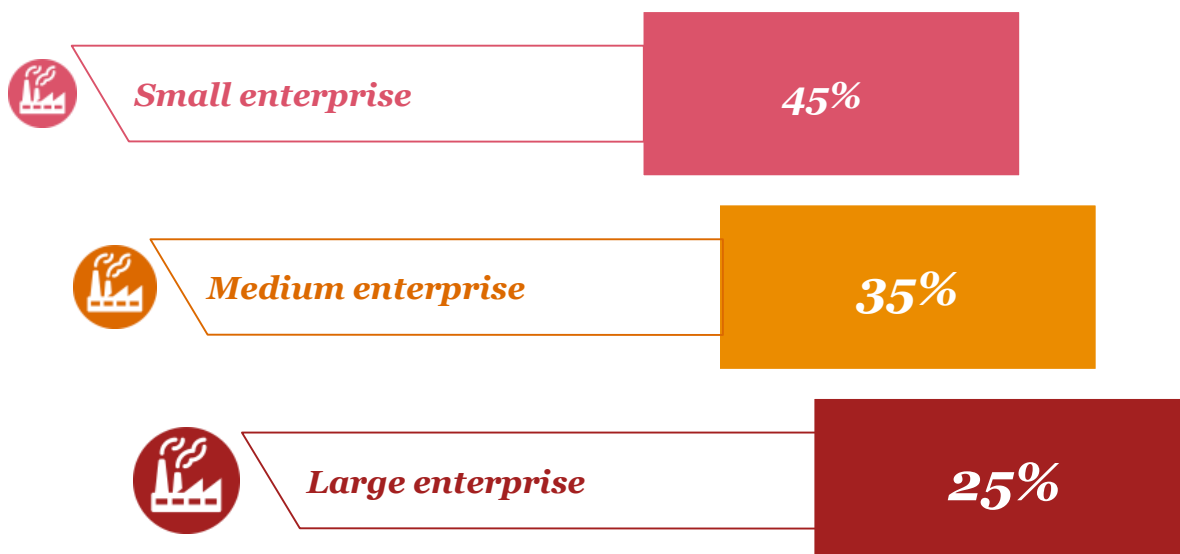
- **Independent realization of the project** – industry consortia will not be qualified (consisting of entrepreneurs only), neither research – industry consortia
- **Subcontracting costs** cannot reach more than 50% of all eligible costs. Only research and development institutions*, selected on a commercial basis, may become subcontractors. Private entities (e.g. other companies) can be engaged to conduct research works upon being accepted by the NCRD. Contract workers are also considered as subcontractors
- **Intangible assets can be acquired** from research and development institutions*. Their acquisition from other entities is admissible only upon being accepted by the NCRD

Other changes and rules within the programme

- **Small and medium enterprises may use the pilot/demonstration lines for commercial purposes** without obligation to monitor and deduct income. This obligation applies only to large companies realizing projects above EUR 1 million. Income monitoring and reporting to the NCRD continues throughout the entire period of realization and three years after the project completion
- Project complies with **National Smart Specialisation (NSS)**
- **Only 5 main criteria** of the scored substantive assessment
- The maximum level of general costs may be 17% of eligible costs excluding subcontracting
- Only development works are eligible



Level of co-financing of development works



Conditions of the co-financing level increasing



Results of the project are widely disseminated through conferences, publication, open access repositories, or free or open source software

Criteria of selection

Formal assessment stage



Formal assessment of the application

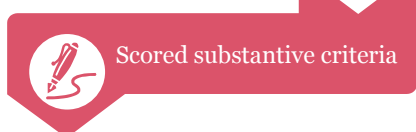
Formal assessment concerns mainly correctness, completeness, timeliness of submitting the documentation, but also financial credibility of other applicant. Both formal and substantive assessment will take place within 90 days after the call for proposals is closed.

Substantive assessment stage on Pre-Panel and Expert Panel



Substantive access criteria (Yes/No)

- **Project covers only experimental development** at least at VI TRL level
- R&D works planned are adequate and necessary for the project and the risk associated with them has been properly defined
- Research team and technical resources of the applicant ensure proper exercise of works planned in R&D project
- Project complies with National Smart Specialization (NSS)
- Project concerns product/process innovation
- Intellectual property issues do not constitute any obstacle for implementing the results of the project
- Management staff and way of management of the project enable its proper execution
- For large enterprises – need to demonstrate the existence of diffusion effect through cooperation with SMEs, NGOs or research organization in connection with the implementation of the project



Scored substantive criteria:

- Planned R&D works are adequate and necessary to achieve Project's results, and the risks are defined (0 – 5 points)
- Research team and technical resources allow for a proper R&D works realization (0 – 5 points)
- Novelty of project's results (0-5 points)
- Market demand for project's results and profitability of implementation (0-5 points)
- Implementation of the project's results is planned in Poland (0 or 3 points)

The project needs to score at least 3 points in each category a) – d) in order to receive a grant. The overall number of all points needed to receive a grant is 15.



Projects that meet formal criteria and receive the required number of points in the substantive assessment will proceed to the final assessment given by the Expert Panel. During the Panel, the applicants will have an opportunity to present the functionality and the planned application of their solutions and technologies. **The recommendation of the Expert Panel is decisive when allocating a grant.**



Similar and complementary competitions:

- Fast track for SMEs – call for proposals from 4th April until 29 July 2016
- Fast track for large enterprises – call for proposals in Q3 2016
- Research for the Market – implementation of the results of R&D activities, grants for SME.

How we can help:

Free of charge initial analysis of the project at the eligibility criteria and chances of getting grant aid.

Advisory at the stage of applying for the grant:

- Preparation of competition documentation,
- Support during the project assessment,
- Advisory while clearing the project and the grant, i.e. : trainings, preparation/verification clearing documentation, preparation for project's execution audit by the authorized institutions.

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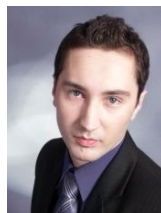
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