

FINANCIAL SUPPORTS



AGILE INNOVATION **FUND**

To find out more about the Agile Innovation Fund, contact your local Local Enterprise Office, or see localenterprise.ie/agile

What's it about?

Innovation is the beating heart of any business - to continue to be successful you have to be looking for new or improved products, services or processes. The Agile Innovation Fund provides fast-tracked funding specifically for R&D projects and Business Process Innovation projects.

Who's it for?

Any business in the manufacturing or internationally traded services sectors.

How does it work?

The Agile Innovation Fund provides funding of up to €150,000 for you to undertake the approved innovation. It features a streamlined online application form and fast track approval to ensure that your innovation gets to market with minimum delay.



FEASIBILITY STUDY **GRANTS**

To find out more about Feasibility Study Grants, contact your local Local Enterprise Office, or see localenterprise.ie/feasibility

*Businesses with 10 employees or more may be eligible, please contact your Local Enterprise Office advisor for more information. Understanding the potential market and likely success of your new business, product, or service is a vital step in the development of a business. Feasibility Study Grants are intended to help you with the costs and take you from market research to technical development.

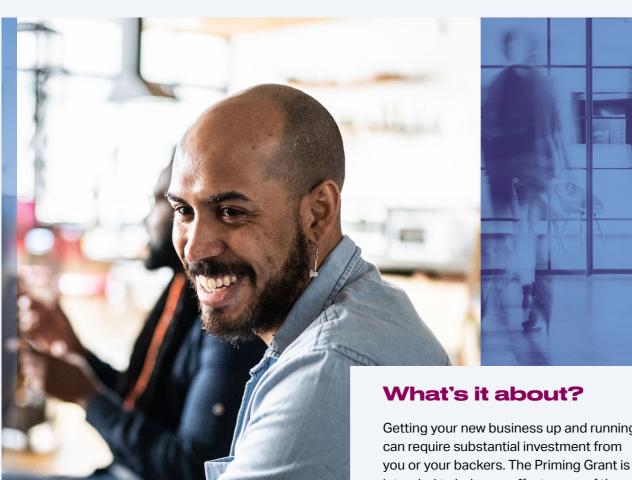
Who's it for?

Small businesses with 10* employees or fewer engaged in manufacturing or internationally traded services who can demonstrate a market for their product or service and have the potential to grow and create jobs in the domestic or international market.

How does it work?

The Feasibility Study Grant includes help with design and prototype development, consultancy requirements, and market research. The grant amounts to 50/60% of the investment (depending on your region) up to a maximum of €15,000.





PRIMING GRANTS

To find out more about Priming Grants, contact your local Local Enterprise Office, or see localenterprise.ie/priming

Getting your new business up and running intended to help you offset some of those costs - from salary to capital expenditure with a non-repayable grant.

Who's it for?

Small businesses with 10* employees or fewer within the first 18 months of start-up in the manufacturing or internationally traded services sectors.

How does it work?

Priming Grants are intended to support salaries, capital expenditure, consultancy, and marketing costs. For salaries the payment is split into two instalments, at the beginning of employment and after six months. Capital items can include office equipment, fit out of the workplace, and fixed technology costs.

*Businesses with 10 employees or more may be eligible, please contact your Local Enterprise Office advisor for more information.





To find out more about Business **Expansion Grants, contact your** local Local Enterprise Office, or see localenterprise.ie/expansion

What's it about?

Moving from start-up into a growth phase can be an exciting time and bring many new opportunities. Business Expansion Grants help you to safely steer your business through this new phase.

Who's it for?

Small businesses with 10* employees or fewer trading for more than 18 months in the manufacturing or internationally traded services sector.

How does it work?

Business Expansion grants cover up to 50% of the investment or up to €150,000 - whichever is the lesser. The funds can be used to cover capital items, salary costs, consultancy and marketing and general overheads. Businesses that have received a Priming Grant are ineligible until 12 months after the drawdown date of the first grant.

*Businesses with 10 employees or more may be eligible, please contact your Local Enterprise Office advisor for more information



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR MICRO-EXPORTERS

To find out more about TAME, contact your local Local Enterprise Office, or see localenterprise.ie/TAME

Taking the step from the Irish market to looking towards international markets requires a lot of research and leg work. You may need to attend or exhibit at trade fairs or rework your promotional material for your new markets. TAME aims to help you offset some of those costs.

Who's it for?

Small businesses with 10 employees or fewer engaged in manufacturing or internationally traded services who can demonstrate a market for their product or service and have the potential to grow and create jobs in the domestic or international market.

How does it work?

TAME is intended to help you branch out into new markets with a grant of 50% (up to €2500) of associated costs in a calendar year. The grant covers participation at trade fairs, international trade networking events, the development of marketing materials for new markets and other activities associated with the push into new markets.



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Local Enterprise Office

There are 31 Local Enterprise Offices Offices in local authorities all over the country, with dedicated teams on hand to help. Find yours at:

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