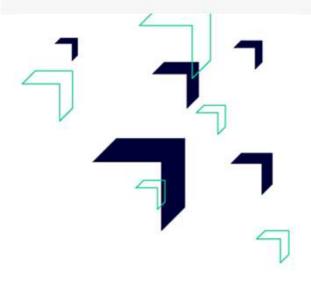




173.5 – On-Farm Productive Investments (Simplified scheme up to a maximum of €15K grant) 1st April 2024





SCOPE



The call is open for On-Farm Productive Investments related to:

- ✓ Building/restoration/conservation of on-farm infrastructure
- ✓ Purchasing of equipment and/or machinery for on-farm agricultural purposes



ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Support under this intervention is available to:

- ✓ Farmers, whether natural or legal persons, who are registered as farmers on the Department of Agriculture database (IACS), Group of Farmers (including inter alia partnerships, cooperatives), have a registered VAT Number and are registered with Jobs Plus
- ✓ In the case of livestock agricultural holdings access for this sub-Intervention will be restricted to holdings with standard output of minimum €15,000 per holding, for all livestock sectors.
- ✓ In the case of arable agricultural holdings, access through this sub-Intervention will be restricted to a minimum of 0.3Ha holdings for outdoor production (eligible hectares) and 0.5Ha in the case of orchards.
- ✓ In the case of production under glass as registered with the Department of Agriculture, the applicable area is 50% of the outdoor production.

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ELIGIBLE ACTIONS

- Building/restoration/conservation of on-farm infrastructure
- Purchasing of equipment and/or machinery for on-farm agricultural purposes
- An additional 7% will be granted on the grant up to €15,000.







What is required at application stage?

Expenditure is considered to be eligible expenditure and therefore eligible for reimbursement only if it has been incurred after an application has been submitted to the Managing Authority

Intervention	Documents required
In the case of equipment/machinery	One quotation will need to be submitted
In the case of the building/restoration/conservation of on-farm infrastructure	A Bill of Quantity (BOQ) signed by a warranted architect listing the works that will be carried out. (A template marked as Annex 3 is attached with guidelines)

- A maximum grant of €15,000 will be given i.e if total project cost is €20,000, grant will be €10,000 + 7% Overheads.
 The Project Selection Committee, reserves the right to award a lesser grant if it determines that the applicant submitted an inflated cost.
- PSC will also check whether there is an affiliation between the applicant and the service provider.



What is required at application stage?

- Beneficiaries will be obliged to purchase the equipment/machinery from the service provider whose quotation was presented at application stage
- Beneficiaries will be allowed to re-apply for this simplified scheme
 ONLY once the first approved project has been completed. They may
 also apply under the same Intervention for a different call which caters
 for large projects and under different Interventions
- Management verifications will be restricted to physical checks to be carried out at payment stage

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INELIGIBLE EXPENDITURE

- Actions which are proposed to be implemented on farm or land and which are not registered on the name of the person applying.
- Actions that require a Planning Authority Permit and which permits to perform work (executable) are not in hand at the time of application.
- Investments in irrigation systems.
- Simple replacement investments.
- The purchase of agricultural production rights, payment entitlements, livestock, annual plants, and their planting.
- Second-hand machinery and/or equipment.
- Investments to comply with Union standards, with exception of aid granted to young farmers within 24 months from the date of their setting-up.

The list above is non-exhaustive and the MA may update this list from time-to-time. Where in doubt, guidance is to be sought from the Managing Authority.



SELECTION CRITERIA

- ✓ Most of the information required is already provided in the application form.
- ✓ Proposal This is a critical section of the application form. The applicant will be requested to provide a well-focused and coherent description of the central purpose of the proposed investment and alignment to the policy objectives , brief description of the proposed actions and investments to be carried out, listing all the investments being requested for funding in a clear manner. (90 marks)

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OTHER INFO

- Maximum Duration: The maximum project duration is 6 months for equipment and machinery and
 12 months for infrastructural investment. The actual project duration in months will be calculated
 from the date of the signing of the grant agreement.
- Grant Support Rate: 50%
- Deadline: 19th June 2024 at noon
- Durability: For investments up to €50,000 the durability period obligations will extend to one (1) year from the final payment to the beneficiary.



APPLICATION FORM

IACS https://iacs.gov.mt.abacogroup.eu/customerportal/login

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