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EUIPO offers SMEs trademark and design grants of up to EUR 1,350

February 2023 – The European Commission and European Intellectual Property Office (“EUIPO”) have launched a **small and medium-sized business fund (SME Fund) to provide reimbursement for trademark and design application fees and pre-diagnostic services**. The grant scheme, designed to encourage SMEs to expand their IP portfolios, has a budget of EUR 25 million, available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The submission period for applications runs from 23 January to 8 December 2023.

What is on offer to SMEs?

**Grant of up to
EUR 1,350**

SMEs can apply for the reimbursement of a specified portion of the fees payable for one or both of the selected services

50%* / 75% off

EU and national trademarks and design fees

Application fees, additional class fees, examination, registration, publication and deferment of publication fees are all eligible for reimbursement — the application should be submitted through EUIPO

** 50% off applicable to the basic application fees and designation fees outside EU, when submitted through WIPO*

90% off

Pre-diagnostic services (“IP Scan”)

Professional advice on IP strategy and portfolio management provided by experts from the respective national IP office. These services include, for example, the examination of your business model, products or services and growth plans to determine the most appropriate IP strategy for your business.

Available in: Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Finland, Germany, Ireland, Latvia, Portugal, Republic of Lithuania and Sweden

CHECKLIST: Are you eligible for grant from the SME fund?



Is your company based in the EU?



Does your company/group meet the official EU definition (thresholds applicable to the group as a whole) of an SME?

- Do you have fewer than 250 employees?
- Is your annual turnover below EUR 50 million?
- Is your balance sheet total below EUR 43 million?



Can your company provide a bank statement and VAT certificate or national registration number certificate issued by the competent authority?



Have you already participated in 2022? Specific conditions apply to you.



Do you know what services you plan to apply for and which trademarks and/or designs you would like to register?

When to apply?

Applications should be submitted throughout the whole call submission period. Applications are evaluated on a weekly basis with a weekly cut-off. The weekly cut-off means that all the applications submitted during the preceding week will go through the evaluation step.

The process is simple



1 | Apply for the grant



2 | Receive your grant award and **vouchers**



3 | Request and pay for **IP activities**



4 | Get reimbursed



For more information, or for assistance with the application process, please contact



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