Do your business activities belong among those that are supported?

Investment Incentives in Slovakia



Investment aid is regional aid to stimulate the influx of investment into disadvantaged regions and for job creation in Slovakia.

Both legal entities and natural entities' entrepreneurs can be beneficiaries of the aid.

Do you want to know whether your business activities belong among those that are supported?

What is the aid cap you can use?

How can it be used most efficiently?

How to apply for state aid and what is the deadline?

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Supported projects

- industry
- technology and innovation centres
- shared service centres
- tourism

Eligible costs

- a) non-current tangible assets in the form of land, buildings, machinery, equipment tools located in Slovakia;
- b) non-current intangible assets in the form of licences, patents or know-how.

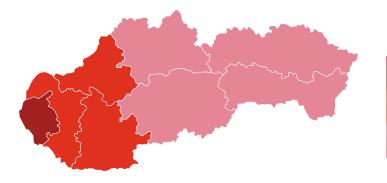
Forms of investment aid

- cash grants for the acquisition of long term assets
- income tax credits
- subsidies for the creation of new jobs
- transfer or exchange of real estate for a price lower than the standard market price.



Maximum intensity of investment aid

The volume and forms of investment aid depend on the type of project and the particular district where the investment will take place. The cumulative aid from all sources is limited by the European Union as follows:



	enterprises	enterprises
o% eligible costs of the project	+ 0%	+ 0%
25% eligible costs of the project	+ 10%	+ 20%
35% eligible costs of the project	+ 10%	+ 20%

R&D Incentives

R&D incentives are provided to legal entities – entrepreneurs - in order to improve the level of R&D activities.

Supported projects

- fundamental research, applied research or experimental development;
- feasibility studies of applied research and experimental research;
- industrial ownership protection; and
- the temporary lease of highly qualified research and development staff.

Types of investment aid

- subsidies for research and development projects from the state budget
- income tax relief at the amount incurred on research and development within the project for which incentives were approved.

Eligible costs

- direct costs expenses incurred for activities for which it can be proved that they directly relate to the project
- indirect costs costs of activities relating to the project, however not directly assignable to the project activities.

Film production incentives

The objective of the upcoming law amendment is to make Slovakia more attractive as a destination for large film productions which will be able to apply for reimbursement of a certain part of their expenses.

An applicant for a subsidy

An applicant for a subsidy may be either an individual entrepreneur, fully capable of legal acts, or a legal entity which is a producer or co-producer of a film project for which the application for subsidy is made.

The film budget and eligible costs

The total projected budget of a cinematographic work cannot be lower than EUR 2,500,000, and the reimbursed eligible costs must reach at least EUR 2,000,000. Costs will be considered eligible if they are directly related to the realisation of the film project and were incurred and paid in Slovakia.

Amount of the subsidy

The funds for fostering the audio-visual industry will be paid in the form of a subsidy in the total amount of 20% of eligible costs.

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