# Financial support for the acquisition of companies that are facing difficulties

#### General info

#### **Economy name**

North Macedonia

ID

N16

#### **Incentive name**

Financial support for the acquisition of companies that are facing difficulties

## **Brief description**

Financial support for the acquisition of companies that are facing difficulties up to 10% of the costs of purchasing tangible assets

# Legal reference

#### Legal reference name

Law on Financial Support of Investment No. 83/2018 "Official Gazette of North Macedonia" No. 98/2019, 124/2019 and 178/2021

#### Legal reference (Law section / article)

Article 27

- (1) Financial support for purchase of tangible assets from business entities in distress shall be granted to business entities that shall start an investment project and shall purchase tangible assets from a business entity in a bankruptcy or liquidation procedure to be used exclusively in the production process within the investment project.
- (2) The maximum amount of the financial support referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article shall be 10% of the costs for purchasing tangible assets of the business entity under bankruptcy or liquidation, but not exceeding EUR 1 000 000 in MKD equivalent according to the middle exchange rate of the Central Bank of North Macedonia on the day of payment.
- (3) The financial support referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article shall be paid on a one-time basis within 12 months as of the day of the start of the production process.
- (4) The use of the financial support referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article shall exclude the use of the financial support referred to in Article 25 of this Law.

## **Incentive design**

#### **Incentive group**

Financial

#### **Incentive category**

Grant

#### **Economy-wide/Sector-specific**

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Sector-specific

#### **Sector (Simplified)**

Manufacturing

#### Sector (NACE)

N/A

#### Size of firm that can use incentive

All sizes of firms

#### Level at which incentive is available

Economy-wide

#### Ownership of firm that can use incentive

Any

#### Incentive location

General

## Main objective of the incentive

Other

## In case of grant, share of grant in investment (in %)

0.1

## **Access to information**

#### **Contact Info**

"Agency for Foreign Investment and Export Promotion of North Macedonia st: Nikola Vapcarov No.7, 1000, Skopje contact: +389 2 3100 111 email: info@invest.gov.mk web:www.invest.gov.mk"

## Weblink to Incentive information in English

Weblink to Incentive information in local language

## Eligibility criteria

# Eligibility criteria (description)

to be a business entity which in the period of the last three years before the initiation of the bankruptcy or liquidation procedure, except through business cooperation, has not been associated in any manner to the business entity under bankruptcy or liquidation procedure and - to purchase tangible assets from the business entity under bankruptcy or liquidation procedure

- to purchase tangible assets from the business entity under bankruptcy or liquidation procedure and which before the initiation of the bankruptcy or liquidation procedure has had at least 50 employees.
- (2) The beneficiary of financial support should maintain the investment project for which tangible assets have been purchased at least five years as of the date of initiation of the

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investment project.

#### Eligibility criteria (weblink)

#### **Incentive administration**

#### **Awarding Authority (Name)**

Agency for Foreign Investment and Export Promotion of North Macedonia (Invest North Macedonia) and the Directorate for Technological Industrial Development Zones

#### **Application procedure + Weblink (where available)**

The application form for granting Financial Support for investment outside technological industrial development zones shall be submitted to Invest North Macedonia as a competent authority no later than May 31st of May of the current year.

The application for financial support for investments within the technological industrial development zones shall be submitted to the Directorate for Technological Industrial Zones.

In addition to the application, financial statements from the previous four years or for a shorter period depending on the date of establishment of the business entity are submitted.

https://investnorthmacedonia.gov.mk/invest-how-to-apply/

## **Implementing Authority (Name)**

Agency for Foreign Investments and Export Promotion of North Macedonia

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