

Information communicated by Member States regarding State aid granted under Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (Text with EEA relevance)

Aid number	SA.49008 (2017/X)
Member State	Malta
Member State reference number	SAMB/38/2016
Name of the Region (NUTS)	Malta Article 107(3)(c)
Granting authority	Measures and Support Division, Ministry for European Affairs and Equality Triq il-Kukkanja, Santa Venera, SVR 1140 https://eufunds.gov.mt/en/MeasuresAndSupportDivision/Pages/Measures-and-Support-Division-Main-Page.aspx
Title of the aid measure	SME Growth Grant Scheme
National legal basis (Reference to the relevant national official publication)	Operational Programme I “Fostering a competitive and sustainable economy to meet our challenges” approved by Commission Implementing Decision C (2014) 9966 Final dated 15 December 2014.
Type of measure	Scheme
Amendment of an existing aid measure	Modification SA.46040
Duration	11.08.2017 - 31.12.2020
Economic sector(s) concerned	Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas Mining of metal ores Other mining and quarrying Mining support service activities Manufacture of food products Manufacture of beverages Manufacture of textiles Manufacture of wearing apparel Manufacture of leather and related products Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork; except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials Manufacture of paper and paper products Printing and reproduction of recorded media Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products Manufacture of basic chemicals; fertilisers and nitrogen compounds; plastics and synthetic rubber in primary forms Manufacture of pesticides and other agrochemical products Manufacture of paints; varnishes and similar coatings; printing ink and mastics Manufacture of soap and detergents; cleaning and polishing preparations; perfumes and toilet preparations Manufacture of other chemical products Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations Manufacture of rubber and plastic products Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products Manufacture of fabricated metal products; except machinery and equipment Manufacture of computer; electronic and optical products Manufacture of electrical equipment Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c. Manufacture of motor vehicles; trailers and semi-trailers Manufacture of railway locomotives and rolling stock Manufacture of air and spacecraft and related machinery Manufacture of military fighting vehicles Manufacture of transport equipment n.e.c. Manufacture of furniture Other manufacturing Repair and installation of machinery and equipment WATER SUPPLY; SEWERAGE; WASTE MANAGEMENT AND REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES Construction of buildings Civil engineering Specialised construction activities Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles Wholesale on a fee or contract basis Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals Wholesale of fruit and vegetables Wholesale of meat and meat products

Wholesale of dairy products; eggs and edible oils and fats
 Wholesale of beverages
 Wholesale of sugar and chocolate and sugar confectionery
 Wholesale of coffee; tea; cocoa and spices
 Wholesale of other food; including fish; crustaceans and molluscs
 Non-specialised wholesale of food; beverages and tobacco
 Wholesale of household goods
 Wholesale of information and communication equipment
 Wholesale of other machinery; equipment and supplies
 Other specialised wholesale
 Non-specialised wholesale trade
 Retail sale in non-specialised stores
 Retail sale of fruit and vegetables in specialised stores
 Retail sale of meat and meat products in specialised stores
 Retail sale of fish; crustaceans and molluscs in specialised stores
 Retail sale of bread; cakes; flour confectionery and sugar confectionery in specialised stores
 Retail sale of beverages in specialised stores
 Other retail sale of food in specialised stores
 Retail sale of automotive fuel in specialised stores
 Retail sale of information and communication equipment in specialised stores
 Retail sale of other household equipment in specialised stores
 Retail sale of cultural and recreation goods in specialised stores
 Retail sale of other goods in specialised stores
 Retail sale via stalls and markets
 Retail trade not in stores; stalls or markets
 Taxi operation
 Removal services
 Transport via pipeline
 Space transport
 Warehousing and support activities for transportation
 Postal and courier activities
 ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICE ACTIVITIES
 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION
 PROFESSIONAL; SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES
 ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICE ACTIVITIES
 EDUCATION
 HUMAN HEALTH AND SOCIAL WORK ACTIVITIES
 Creative; arts and entertainment activities
 Libraries; archives; museums and other cultural activities
 Sports activities and amusement and recreation activities
 OTHER SERVICE ACTIVITIES
 ACTIVITIES OF HOUSEHOLDS AS EMPLOYERS; UNDIFFERENTIATED GOODS- AND
 SERVICES-PRODUCING ACTIVITIES OF HOUSEHOLDS FOR OWN USE
 ACTIVITIES OF EXTRATERRITORIAL ORGANISATIONS AND BODIES

Type of beneficiary	Small and medium-sized enterprises
Annual overall amount of the budget planned under the scheme	EUR 2 (in millions)
For guarantees	-
Aid Instrument (Art. 5)	Direct grant/ Interest rate subsidy
Reference to the Commission decision	-
If co-financed by Community funds	European Regional Development Fund - EUR 6.40 (in millions)

Objectives	Maximum aid intensity in % or Maximum aid amount in national currency	SME-bonuses in %
Regional aid - investment aid (Art. 14) - Scheme	15 %	20 %
Risk finance aid (Art. 21)	1 EUR	

Web link to the full text of the aid measure

<http://businessenhance.gov.mt/en/schemes/SME%20Growth%20Grant%20Scheme/Pages/SME-Growth-Grant-Scheme-.aspx>