



Centre for Economic Development,
Transport and the Environment

ELY Centre funding for businesses

in current exceptional circumstances caused by
coronavirus





The aim of the aid is to help companies to minimise the adverse effects of the coronavirus outbreak and to encourage companies to provide employment.





Who is it for?

Businesses that employ a maximum of 5 people at the time of application (incl. the entrepreneur/entrepreneurs) regardless of the company form, with the exception of self-employed persons who will be covered by a separate form of funding that is being prepared

Businesses that have experienced temporary market and production disturbances caused by coronavirus but which are expected to be profitable in the future

Businesses that seek to renew and strengthen their expertise

Independent entrepreneurs (private trader) who employ at least one person working under an employment contract (no upper limit for the number of employees)

Note!

Funding cannot be granted for businesses operating in agriculture, forestry, fishing, or the processing of agricultural products.

Businesses with more than 5 employees can apply for a grant from Business Finland.

There is a separate form of funding for self-employed persons. This form of funding can be applied from municipalities.

Businesses should not apply for funding from both an ELY Centre and Business Finland on the basis of the disruption caused by the pandemic.





For what purpose?

Situation analysis

A business can analyse and plan

- its business operations
- new business activities
- the organising of production and services during and after the market and production disruption caused by coronavirus

Development measures

The measures can include

- refocusing the business
- developing the subcontracting network
- organising the company's production in new ways
- development of products and services
- strengthening the expertise within the company

Note!

You can apply for funding for one measurement at a time. Funding for each measurement can only be granted once.

If you have applied for funding to conduct a situation analysis, you can only apply for funding for development measures one month after submitting your situation analysis application.

You should have the situation analysis done before starting development measures, therefore, we recommend that you apply for the aid for situation analysis first and only after that for development measures.



Grant amount

Situation analysis

- 80% of the calculated costs on which the grant is based
- up to 10,000 euros
- 70% of the grant can be paid in advance

Admissible calculated costs:

- Salary costs (2,000 euros/person)
- Indirect costs (e.g. employer contributions), 50% of calculated salary costs
- For example 2 persons (entrepreneur + one employee)
 $\text{EUR } 2,000 \times 2 + 50\% = \text{EUR } 6,000$, of which 80% = EUR 4,800

Development measures

- 80% of the admissible costs on which the grant is based
- up to 100,000 euros
- 70% of the grant can be paid in advance

Admissible costs:

- Salary costs
- Indirect costs (e.g. employer contributions), 50% of salary costs
- Use of services, incl. training costs
- Raw materials and semi-finished products related to product development



Applying for the grant



You can apply for a grant from the ELY Centre using an **electronic application in the e-services of the Regional State Administrative Agency**. As a general rule, no attachments to the application are necessary.

▶ [E-services of the Regional State Administrative Agency](#)



You can log in to the **Regional State Administrative Agency's e-services through Suomi.fi**. Identification using a personal banking ID, mobile certificate or Citizen Certificate.

PLEASE NOTE!

Choose the right type of grant: business development aid for market and production disturbances caused by the coronavirus outbreak.

Check the ELY Centre's website for instructions on how to apply **before you start** filling out your application



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