



Opportunities to fund your innovation

There are many different funding programs providing a wealth of opportunities to fund the development of your innovation: funding programs from regional, national and even European authorities. However, as acknowledged by many, it is hard to see the forest for its trees when it comes to assessing the appropriate program for your project.

In order to shed some light on the forest, the most relevant and successful grant programs focusing on innovation are listed below. Each of the different available funding opportunities taps into a different themes and/or targets a different stage in the product/project life cycle. Pursuing the grant opportunity that best fits your project will increase your chance of success.

Funding opportunities for different themes and specific product life cycle stages:

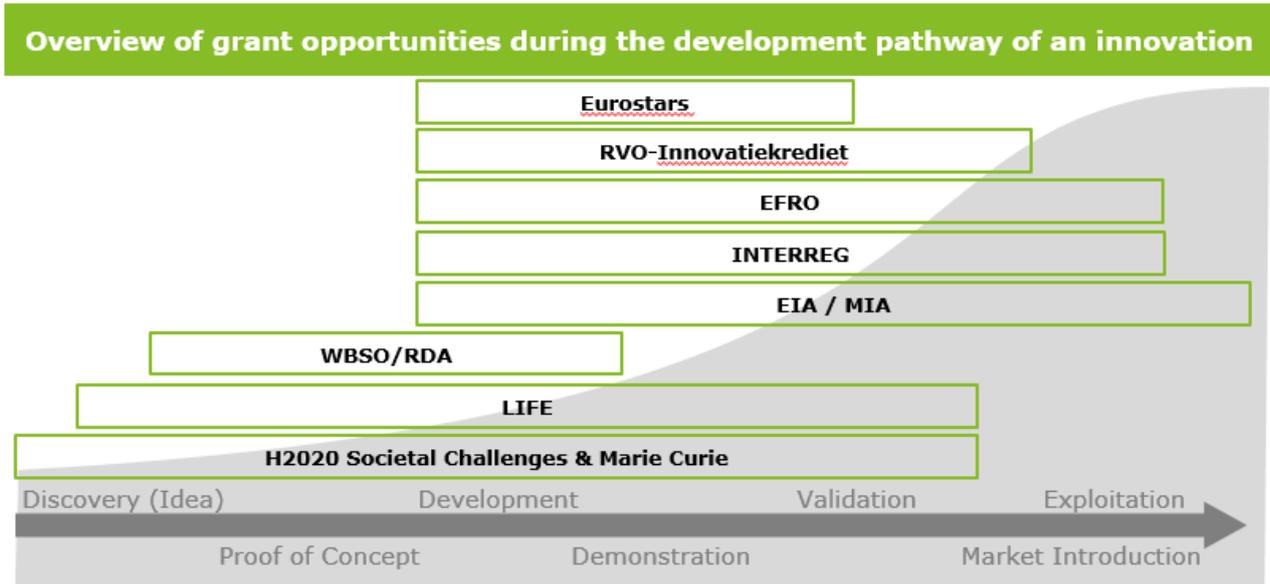
With **WBSO**, Dutch companies can lower the wage costs for R&D and other R&D costs and expenditure and make use of a fixed deduction. Additionally, WBSO opens up the opportunity to benefit from Innovatiebox.

Innovatiekrediet | *individual loan with a max funding of €0.5-10 M* | is meant for Dutch companies of any size with high risk innovation projects that do not have sufficient funds to finance the complete technical or clinical innovation studies.

ERDF | *individual or collaborative grant with no max funding* | aims to strengthen economic and social cohesion in the European Union by correcting imbalances between its regions. Priority areas include innovation and research, digital agenda, support for SMEs and the low-carbon economy.



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INTERREG | collaborative grant of typically 6-10 partners with no max funding; on average €6.8 M | allows partners from different countries to work together on mutually beneficial projects to tackle issues that go beyond national borders. INTERREG is focused on the following main themes: innovation, low carbon and resource and materials efficiency.

Eurostars | collaborative grant of typically 2 to 4 partners with a funding need around €1-2 M | to execute international collaborative research and innovation projects, to bring processes and services to transnational and international markets. The project should be coordinated by an R&D performing SME, but any type of organization can be part of the consortium.

LIFE | (collaborative) grant with an average funding between €1-3 M | to perform demonstration and/or pilot projects for new environmentally friendly technologies or methods. LIFE is open to all public or private organizations that are legally established in the European Union.

Marie Curie | collaborative grant that funds salary and training costs of researchers | The Marie Curie actions, such as Innovative Training Network (ITN) and Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE), support the exchange of researchers between industry and academia in order to realize state of the art, international research and development projects. Idea is that exchange of researchers will make the researchers more versatile and experienced in different R&D environments (private versus public). Projects across all disciplines are eligible for funding.

H2020 Societal Challenges | collaborative grants with funding amounts varying between €5 M and €15 M per call | H2020 provides funding for specific topics within the societal challenges, such as: health, demographic change and well-being; food security, sustainable agriculture, marine and maritime research & the bio economy; secure, clean and efficient energy; smart, green and integrated transport; climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials; inclusive and reflective societies; secure societies; science with and for society; spreading excellence and widening participation. Each challenge has specific calls with different budgets subjected to these different calls.

Who we are and how we can help?

Global Investment and Innovation Incentives (Gi3):

our team of scientists, engineers and tax/grant experts support companies in obtaining cash for their activities by identifying the most suitable funding options, writing successful grant applications and providing support in finding strong partners for collaborative projects.

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