

## Promoting commercial investment in Berlin

### Who is eligible for support?

- Founders and companies in the commercial industries with predominantly supra-regional sales unless otherwise non-eligible for subsidies for particular industries/branches.

### What is supported?

#### Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs):

- Investment in new assets
- Investment in expansion projects
- Production portfolio diversification into products not yet manufactured there
- Fundamental change in the entire production process
- Acquisition of assets of an operating facility under certain conditions

#### Large enterprises:

First-time investment in a new business:

- Investment in setting up a new facility
- Investment in diversifying the activities of an operating facility under certain conditions
- Acquisition of assets of an operating facility under certain conditions and in as far as other activities are carried out there.

### What kind of support is available?

- Common task support ("GRW" funds) is available as a grant.
- Support is only provided for investment projects with a volume of at least EUR 10,000.
- The number of permanent jobs existing at the facility to be supported at the time investment commences must be increased by at least 10% or the investment amount must, calculated over one year, exceed by at least 50% the average depreciation earned over the past three years – excluding any special depreciation

### Terms and conditions

- Maximum support rates for operating facilities in the **C subsidy region**: grant of up to 10% for large, 20% max. for medium-sized or 30% max. for small companies.
- Maximum support rates for operating facilities in the **D subsidy region**: grant of up to EUR 200,000 in 3 years for large, 10% max. for medium-sized or 20% max. for small companies.

Your individual support rate depends, among other things, on the size of the company, the location of the establishment, compliance with special structural effects and the sum of other support.

## Other important details

- Following receipt of your application form containing all mandatory details, you can start your investment project.
- The investment period for the project may not exceed 36 months.
- The assets financed must remain at the company for at least 5 years after conclusion of the project and the permanent jobs must also continue to exist for at least 5 years after completion of the project.

## How to apply

Please use the **application form**. The application must include at least the following details:

- Name and size of the company
- Description of the project, including its start and end dates
- Geographic location of the project
- Costs of the project
- Type of support (grant) and amount of public funds required for the project

Application documents can be found at: [www.ibb.de/grw](http://www.ibb.de/grw).

Alternatively, you can submit your application online using the electronic application available at: [www.ibb.de/kundenportal](http://www.ibb.de/kundenportal).

The application must be submitted to Investitionsbank Berlin **before the investment project commences**. In the case of common task support (“GRW”), the time of commencement is, as a rule, considered to be the time when a delivery or service agreement is finally signed for the project or the first time an order is placed for assets. Once the application has been received by IBB, you can begin your investment project at your own risk. This does not imply a binding commitment to grant support.

- Under separate cover, we will confirm to you that your project generally qualifies for support and request submission of any additional documents which may be necessary for your project.
- Following receipt of these documents, we will draw up a draft decision for the project.
- This will then be usually decided by an approval committee.
- After the decision, you will then receive notice of support.
- Once the preconditions for payment contained in the notice of support are fulfilled, you will be paid out the funds approved.

Please contact us at the earliest possible date. Our customer centre will be pleased to answer detailed questions regarding the programme and assist you with your application.

Please note: Applications are accepted in German only.

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