



Clean production processes are a key success factor and competitive advantage. The KET4CleanProduction (KET4CP) project funded by the European Commission has addressed this issue: By promoting the use of advanced manufacturing technologies and related key enabling technologies (KET), the aim is to make the production processes of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) cleaner and more energy-efficient.

This is achieved by **establishing an open innovation ecosystem** composed of the following European actors:

- ① Manufacturing small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)
- ① KET Technology Centres (KET TCs)
- ① Partners of the Enterprise Europe Network (EEN)

The innovation ecosystem is implemented through the online platform www.ket4sme.eu, from which SMEs in particular can benefit to a high degree. The platform...

- ✓ **informs** about possibilities of cross-border collaborations.
- ✓ **provides access to an international network of experts.**
- ✓ **facilitates solution-oriented collaborations** between SMEs and KET TCs through an automated matching tool.
- ✓ **promotes transnational cooperation by providing micro grants worth €50,000** for collaborative innovation projects.

What criteria do I have to meet as an SME in order to apply for the micro grants?

- ① An application in English may only be submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) compliant with the EU definition. These are companies with fewer than 250 employees and an annual turnover of less than € 50 million.
- ① The SME must be located in one of the EU member states or in an H2020 associated country.
- ① The project to be funded must show technology readiness level (TRL) 4 or higher. Projects with higher TRLs are more likely to receive funding.
- ① As part of the project, the SME must collaborate with two KET TCs, which must be officially registered on the www.ket4sme.eu platform. At least one KET TC must come from an EU Member State other than the SME submitting the application.
- ① The co-financing amounts to 30% of the funding amount and must be provided by the SME submitting the application.



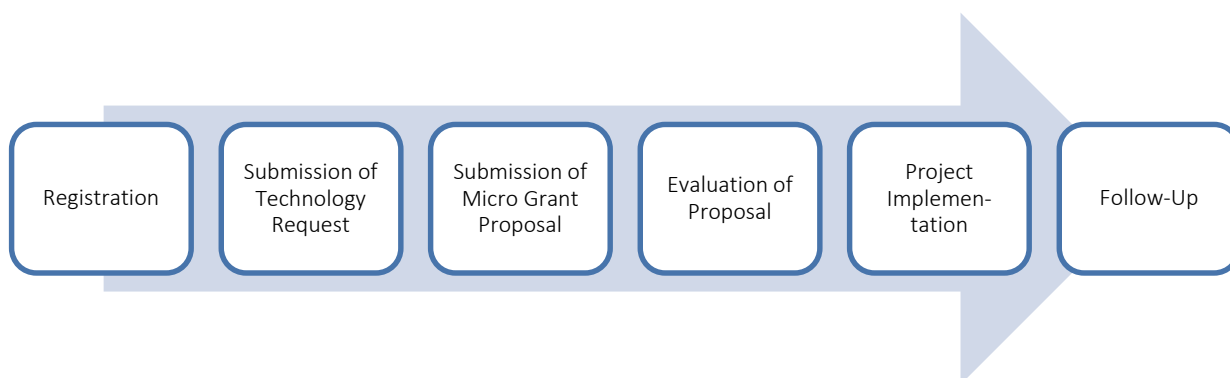
What activities are supported by the micro grant?

Eligible is the integration of advanced manufacturing technologies and the combination of multiple key enabling technologies seeking for one or several of the following clean production objectives:

- The development of new production processes
- The improvement of existing production processes by reducing
 - production costs,
 - reliance on raw materials,
 - consumption of energy, or
 - generation of waste and pollution.

How do I apply for a micro grant as an SME?

The procedure to apply for micro grants consists of the following steps:



Key Facts

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| Registration | https://www.ket4sme.eu/join-the-community |
| Application documents (Available for download only after registration) | https://www.ket4sme.eu/micro-grants |
| Call opening | 1 Juni 2018 |
| Call closing | 29 April 2020 17:00 CET |
| Duration of KET4CleanProduction project | January 2018 – January 2021 |
| Total funding for SMEs | 2.000.000 € |
| Individual funding per SME | 50.000 € |

Any questions?

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