Power your business with the SME Fund

Helping EU SMEs reach their full intellectual property potential

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18/4/2023
Objective: offer financial support to SMEs to protect their Intellectual Property (IP) rights and develop an IP strategy

Eligible beneficiaries: SMEs based in the EU

Budget: €27.1 M for voucher 1, 2, 3 and 4

Term to apply: from 23/01/2023 to 08/12/2023

IP activities included: IP Scan, trade marks and designs, patents and plant varieties

Lessons learnt: new features, simpler and faster process

Two phases:
- First opening (vouchers 1 and 2): 23 January 2023
- Second opening (voucher 3 and 4): 26 April 2023
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(1) Up to max Eur 1 350, depending on the applicable fees at national level for this service
(2) IP Scans of participating Offices with a ceiling of cost for the service of EUR 1 500.
(3) Excluded fees: designation fees of EU countries and handling fees charged by the office of origin.
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\(^\odot\) Service provided by MS IPOs but for global search.
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## SME FUND 2023 RECAP

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The Multiannual 2022–2024 SME Fund

1. Apply for the Grant
   Visit the SME Fund website and fill out the application form

2. Receive your Grant
   Grant decision delivered less than 15 working days

3. Initiate your IP Activities
   Run an IP Scan, apply for your trade mark and design

4. Get Reimbursed
   Pay up-front for activities, fill out the reimbursement form in your SME Fund account area, and receive your reimbursements
Within 15 working days of submitting your application, you will receive:

- An email with your grant award, or
- a clarification email requesting details on missing information or documents pertaining to your application, or
- A rejection email stating why you are not eligible to receive the grant
SME Fund 2022 and 2023 initiatives will be running in parallel.

Each SME can request one voucher per type of IP activity.

Beneficiaries of 2022 can apply again in 2023 but must request reimbursement for different IPRs.

New fast track process in place to speed up repeat.
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Additional language preference: Spanish

SMS notifications: Off

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Vouchers

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Trademarks and Designs

SME fund

ID: 13202314688-2

Issuance Date
24/03/2023 16:24:31

Expiry date
24/05/2023

Maximum reimbursement amount
1000

Available balance: €1000
List of submissions

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1320314688-2

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- No
- Yes

Base Bank details
International Banking Account Number (IBAN): HR12 1001 0051 8520 0016 0
Account holder name: Ljubica Mihaljevic
Bank name: Raiffeisen Bank
BIC/SWIFT Code: HRBAXXX

For what activities are you requesting a reimbursement? *
- Trade mark and Design fees at EU level
- Trade mark and Design fees at national and regional level

Choose as many activities as apply.
I am applying for fees at EU level.

- Trade marks
- Designs
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TM & DS – DS details at EU level

Designs at EU level

Please choose your Trade mark or Design

Application Number *

Application Date *
31-03-2023

Publication and deferment fee paid (RCD) *

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I am applying for fees on national and regional level.

- Trade marks
- Designs
TM & DS – TM details at national and regional level

Trade marks at national and regional level

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Application Number *

Country *

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Application Date *

Country :

31-02-2023

Currency *

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Basic application fee paid (trade mark) *

Currency :

Other fee paid (trade mark) *

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☐ I would like to receive regular EUIPO communications and newsletters

New EU IP partner
TM & DS – Summary

Manage 2022 Reimbursement requests
- My SME
- SME fund application

Trade marks & Designs
- Vouchers
- EU and National Trade Marks and Designs Reimbursement Form
- WIPO Trade Marks and Designs Reimbursement Form
- Drafts saved on (EU and NT)
- Drafts saved on (WIPO)
- Submitted reimbursement requests (EU and national)
- Submitted reimbursement requests (non)

Design details
- Please choose your Trade mark or Design: Trade mark
  - Application Number: 0987654321
  - Application Date: 31-03-2023
  - Registration fee paid (RCD): 250
  - Publication and deferment fee paid (RCD): 125
  - Other fee paid (RCD): 0

I am applying for fees on national and regional level
- Trade marks, Designs

Trade mark details
- Please choose your Trade mark or Design: Trade mark
  - Application Number: 0902356789
  - Application Date: 28-03-2023
  - Basic application fee paid (EUTM): 850
  - Class fee paid (EUTM): 50
  - Other fee paid (EUTM): 0
- Please choose your Trade mark or Design: Trade mark
  - Application Number: 0922350000
  - Application Date: 30-03-2023
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Your request HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.

You will be notified by e-mail and/or SMS when your application has been approved or if we should require more details from you.

BACK TO USER AREA
TM & DS – Registration details at WIPO level

I am applying for fees outside of the EU.

- [ ] Trade marks
- [ ] Designs

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### TM & DS – TM details at WIPO level

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Please choose your Trade mark or Design

- **Trade mark**

Application Number *

- **Application Date**
  - 31-03-2023

Country/countries Select one or more *

- Choose some options

Amount paid in CHF *

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Patents – Reimbursement request eform

Reference number of Grant Decision

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- National Patent

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Application Date *

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