

ITEA PO Days 2025

Welcome to the country information session of France

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Bpifrance funding conditions

France

Aide à l'innovation Innovation Aid

- No minimum budget
- At least 1 French firm
- SMEs or companies up to 2,000 FTEs
- Academic partners are not eligible for this funding but may participate as subcontractors
- Project of up to 3 years

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- Cumulative French budget of over €4 million
- At least 1 French SME or company up to 2,000 FTEs
- Max 6 French participants
- Project between 2 to 5 years
- Respect of the DNSH principle
- Academic partners are eligible for this funding

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Next call to be
confirmed and
announced

Focus on Innovation Aid France

Eligibility criteria and funding conditions

R&D projects with a **maximum duration of 3 years** and commercialization potential

At least 1 French firm in the consortium

Innovation aid between 50,000 and 3 million euros: repayable advance or R&D Innovation loan

* Large companies with more than 2,000 FTEs can take part in the consortium but are not eligible for public funding.

Academic partners are not eligible for this funding but may participate as subcontractors.

2 types of funding are available, depending on the size and characteristics of the project

R&D Innovation Loan

*Fully disbursed at the start of the project, at the prevailing subsidized rate.
Duration between 5 and 8 years.*

Type of company	Aid rate	Workforce	Turnover	Total balance sheet
SME	80%	< 50	≤ 10M € or ≤ 10M€	
SME	65%	< 250	≤ 50M € or ≤ 43M€	
Large company*	60%	< 2000		

Repayable advance

Disbursed in 2 instalments (70/30). Technical success of the project taken into account to determine repayment

Type of company	Aid rate	Workforce	Turnover	Total balance sheet
SME	65%	< 250	≤ 50M € or ≤ 43M€	
Large company*	40%	< 2000		

PROJECT OUTLINE

Submit your *Project outline* on the ITEA platform before the **10 November 2025**.

FULL PROJECT PROPOSAL

- Submit your *Full Project Proposal* on the ITEA platform before the **12 February 2026**.
- As a French participant, submit your national application before the FPP Deadline.

FUNDING

If your project is labelled and you are eligible to funding, you will receive funding from Bpifrance for your R&D project.

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CONTACT US

Contact your *chargé(e) d'affaires innovation* Bpifrance and our team to check your eligibility and present your project.

To prepare your application, you can benefit from the [Diagnostic Partenariat Technologique International](#).

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EVALUATION

- Your *Project outline* is assessed by an ITEA panel of experts.

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EVALUATION

- Your *Full Project Proposal* is evaluated by an ITEA panel of experts.
- At the same time, the French participant's technical and financial capacity to carry it through is assessed by Bpifrance.

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Diagnostic PTI France

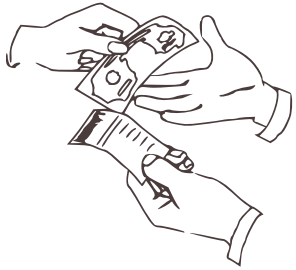


**PARTENARIAT
TECHNOLOGIQUE
INTERNATIONAL**

The DIAG PTI provides companies with **individual support from a consultant** in three areas: finding partners, negotiating the consortium agreement and/or drafting the application file.

- ★ Supporting the search for partners
- ★ Helping to negotiate the consortium agreement
- ★ Helping to organize R&D projects
- ★ Facilitate the drafting of the application file

WHAT AMOUNT of Bpifrance support?



MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF THE SUPPORT

- The consultancy service is limited to €25,000 excluding tax if the beneficiary company is the consortium leader, and €5,000 excluding tax if it is not.
- Bpifrance will finance 50% of the cost, including tax, i.e. a maximum of €15,000 including tax. This aid will be paid to the consultant at the end of the service.



TYPE OF CONTRACT

- Bpifrance draws up a contract with the company applying for aid and with the expert advisor.
- The French company's consultancy service provider is paid.

Contact for French participants

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Thank you
for your attention
Questions?