



澳門特別行政區  
Região Administrativa Especial de Macau  
科學技術發展基金  
Fundo para o Desenvolvimento das Ciências e da Tecnologia

## **Funding Scheme for Industry-University-Research Partnership for Enterprises**

The Science and Technology Development Fund (hereinafter referred to as “FDCT”) has formulated this Funding Scheme according to Articles 15 and 16 of the *Financial Aid Grant Regulation* as approved by the Chief Executive’s Dispatch No. 64/2021.

### **I. Objectives**

In line with the Macao SAR Government’s policies of science and technology development, this Scheme is devised to encourage enterprises to focus on scientific research and development, facilitate the industry-university-research partnership in tackling technical issues occurring in their production and operation, provide part of the funding of R&D costs to enterprises that have successfully matched with their partners through the Online Industry-University-Research Matching Platform of FDCT, so as to promote the implementation of R&D achievements and solutions.

### **II. Applying Entities**

Entities that meet the following requirements may apply to FDCT:

1. Entrepreneurs and commercial enterprises registered in the Macao Special Administrative Region;
2. Shares of which held by local residents is 50% or more;
3. Have no less than three full-time employees; in case of full-time employees less than three, the applying entity shall be recommended by a nation-level makerspace established in Macao;
4. The subject projects shall have successfully established partnership through the Online Industry-University-Research



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Matching Platform of FDCT, and the technologies applied shall be provided by higher education institutions.

**III. Funding Type**

No repayment required.

**IV. Eligible and Ineligible Spending**

Please refer to Article 3 of the *Financial Aid Grant Regulation* as approved by the Chief Executive's Dispatch No. 64/2021.

**V. Project Duration**

The duration of each project is from six months to one year.

**VI. Applied Amount**

The amount applied for each project shall not exceed MOP250,000 (two hundred and fifty thousand patacas), and the self-owned funds invested by the applying entity shall be no less than the funding amount.

**VII. Application Period**

The period designated by the FDCT's Administrative Committee.

**VIII. Application Documents**

1. Completed application form provided by FDCT and supporting documents;
2. The applying entity's identification information and relevant certificate(s);
3. Documents to prove that the applying entity is not in arrears with tax or social security contributions (if any) in the Macao SAR;
4. The identification document of the person in charge of the



applying entity.

## **IX. Applying Method**

The applying entity shall submit all the application documents mentioned in the preceding article in the manner designated by FDCT prior to the deadline of application.

## **X. Preliminary Analysis**

1. FDCT will conduct a preliminary analysis of the application documents to verify that they are correct and complete, and to review whether the subject project meets the requirements to be funded.
2. FDCT will require the applying entity to submit additional documents within 15 days as needed.

## **XI. Assessment Criteria**

1. The assessment is performed according to the *Financial Aid Grant Regulation*, approved as per the Chief Executive's Dispatch No. 64/2021.
2. Key considerations will be given to the followings:
  - (1) The effect the project result might have in solving the technical difficulties for enterprises;
  - (2) The value of solving the technical difficulties to enterprises;
  - (3) Technical capabilities of the technology provider;
  - (4) Project feasibility and work plan;
  - (5) Soundness of budget.

## **XII. Funding Approval and Allocation**

1. FDCT shall notify the applying entities of the approval result.
2. The funded applying entities shall sign the Funding



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Agreement with FDCT.

3. The fund will be allocated upon project conclusion, and shall be reimbursed for the actual amount in accordance with the conditions provided for in the Funding Agreement.

### **XIII. Reports**

1. The funded applying entities shall submit the final work report for final assessment by FDCT.
2. The above-mentioned reports shall consist of two parts: actual activities and financial execution, with supporting documents provided.

### **XIV. Other Funding**

Projects funded by this Scheme shall not accept funding from other public funding schemes or programmes.

### **XV. Right to Interpretation**

FDCT reserves the right to offer the final interpretation of this Scheme.

### **XVI. Governing Laws and Regulations**

Any matter not covered in this Funding Scheme shall be governed by the current laws and regulations of the Macao SAR, especially the Administrative Regulation No. 14/2004 – the *Statutes of the Fund for the Development of Science and Technology* as amended by the Administrative Regulation No. 1/2021, and the *Financial Aid Grant Regulation* as approved by the Chief Executive's Dispatch No. 64/2021.