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SME aid schemes					
PME-MIN	Miscellaneous investment (de minimis)	Eligible businesses: SMEs planning to undertake an investment project to modernise existing equipment/machines, or to purchase equipment required to improve food safety.	20%	10%	Not applicable
PME-AIN	Investment	Eligible businesses: SMEs planning to undertake an investment project to promote the implementation, development ('significant increase in capacity') or diversification of, or a fundamental change to their production process. The replacement or modernisation of existing equipment/machines is not eligible.	20%	10%	Not applicable
PME-CON	Consultancy services	Eligible businesses: SMEs that intend to make use of the services provided by external consultants for one-off projects. The consultancy services must not be recurring (e.g. tax or legal advice).	50%	50%	Not applicable
PME-FOI	Participation in trade fairs	Eligible businesses: SMEs that intend to take part in a trade fair or exhibition in Luxembourg for the first time.	50%	50%	Not applicable
PME-JEN	Young businesses	Eligible businesses: Small businesses with high growth potential that can provide at least 2 balance sheets, and which have not taken over the activity of another business. The business must have existed for less than 5 years.	100%	Not applicable	Not applicable
PME-CAN	Repair damage caused by certain natural disasters	Eligible businesses: Businesses (SMEs and large businesses) that have sustained damage caused by certain natural disasters.	100%	100%	100%

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RDI-EFT	Technical feasibility studies	Eligible businesses: Businesses that intend to conduct a technical feasibility study prior to undertaking a research and development project or programme, such as experimental development, fundamental research or industrial research.	70%	60%	50%
RDI-REDEX	Experimental development	Eligible projects: Projects involving one or several activities in connection with experimental development, i.e., activities involving the acquisition, combination, structuring and use of scientific, technological and business knowledge and skills to develop new or improved products, processes or services. Note: Applicants may apply for a supplement in the event of collaboration or widespread dissemination of results. Please select the type of aid below: RDI-REDEX-MAJ. Furthermore, applicants may select several types of aid as research projects may involve activities in the fields of both experimental development and industrial research. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	45%	35%	25%
RDI-REDEX-MAJ	Experimental development (supplement in the event of collaboration or widespread dissemination of results)	Eligible projects: Projects involving one or several activities in connection with experimental development, i.e., activities involving the acquisition, combination, structuring and use of scientific, technological and business knowledge and skills to develop new or improved products, processes or services. For this type of aid, applicants may apply for a 15 % increase in the intensity of the aid further to a collaboration with a public research institute, for example, or the widespread dissemination of the results of the R&D project or cross-border collaboration. Furthermore, applicants may select several types of aid as research projects may involve activities in the fields of both experimental development and industrial research. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	60%	50%	40%

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RDI-REDIND	Industrial research	Eligible projects: Projects involving one or several activities in connection with industrial research, i.e., activities involving planned research or critical investigations to acquire new knowledge and skills for the purpose of developing new products, processes or services, or significantly improving existing products, processes or services. Note: Applicants may apply for a supplement in the event of collaboration or widespread dissemination of results. Please select the type of aid below: RDI-REDIND-MAJ. Furthermore, applicants may select several types of aid as research projects may involve activities in the fields of both experimental development and industrial research. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	70%	60%	50%
RDI-REDIND-MAJ	Industrial research (supplement in the event of collaboration or widespread dissemination of results)	Eligible projects: Projects involving one or several activities in connection with industrial research, i.e., activities involving planned research or critical investigations to acquire new knowledge and skills for the purpose of developing new products, processes or services, or significantly improving existing products, processes or services. For this type of aid, applicants may apply for a 15 % increase in the intensity of the aid further to a collaboration with a public research institute, for example, or the widespread dissemination of the results of the R&D project or cross-border collaboration. Furthermore, applicants may select several types of aid as research projects may involve activities in the fields of both experimental development and industrial research. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	80%	75%	65%
RDI-REDFON	Fundamental research	Eligible projects: Projects involving one or several activities in connection with fundamental research, i.e., activities involving experimental or theoretical work to acquire new knowledge on basic phenomena or observable facts, without seeking any direct practical application or commercial use. Furthermore, applicants may select several types of aid as research projects may involve activities in the fields of both experimental development and industrial research. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	100%	100%	100%
RDI-IOS	Process and organisational innovation	This aid is intended for businesses seeking to undertake 1) a process innovation project, i.e., a project involving the implementation of a new or significantly improved production or distribution method, or 2) an organisational innovation project, i.e., a project involving the implementation of a new method of organising the company's business practices, workplace or external relations. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	50%	50%	15%
RDI-JEI	Financial aid for young innovative enterprises	Any business that satisfies all of the following requirements: - is an unlisted company; - has not taken over the activity of another business; - has been registered for less than 5 years; - has not yet distributed profits; - was not formed as a result of a merger; - exhibits strong potential for growth. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	100%	Not applicable	Not applicable
RDI-INOPIT	Innovation for SMEs – Industrial property protection	The aid is intended to support any project undertaken by an SME to acquire, validate or defend patents and other intangible assets (licences, know-how and other types of intellectual property). For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	50%	50%	Not applicable
RDI-INODPQ	Innovation for SMEs – Temporary posting of highly qualified staff	The aid is intended to support any project undertaken by an SME, involving the posting of highly qualified staff from a research institute, an institute involved in the dissemination of knowledge, or a large business, for the purpose of carrying out research-, development- or innovation-related tasks further to the creation of a new job in the beneficiary business, without replacing other staff members. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	50%	50%	Not applicable
RDI-INOSCE	Innovation for SMEs – Cost of external advisory services	The aid is intended to support any project undertaken by an SME, involving the procurement of advisory services provided by external consultants, insofar that such services are not ongoing or recurrent in nature and unrelated to the business's normal operating expenditure (e.g., regular tax or legal consultancy services, advertising). For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	50%	50%	Not applicable
RDI-INOCSE	Innovation for SMEs – Innovation advice & support	The aid is intended to support any project undertaken by an SME, involving the procurement of advisory and support services in connection with innovation. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of <i>Luxinnovation</i> prior to preparing their aid application.	100%	100%	Not applicable

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RDI-API	Running/management of innovation clusters	The aid is intended for legal persons to support the management of an innovation cluster established in Luxembourg. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of Luxinnovation prior to preparing their aid application.	50%	50%	50%
RDI-IPi	Investment in innovation clusters	The aid is intended for legal persons to support the building or modernisation of an innovation cluster, i.e., a structure or a group composed of independent parties (innovative start-ups, large enterprises, SMEs, research institutes, knowledge dissemination organisations, non-profit associations, etc.) established in Luxembourg. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of Luxinnovation prior to preparing their aid application.	50%	50%	50%
RDI-IRE	Investment in research infrastructure	The aid is intended for research infrastructures, i.e., Luxembourg-based facilities, resources and related services used by the scientific community to conduct research, and which engage in economic activities. For this type of aid, it is recommended that applicants seek the support of Luxinnovation prior to preparing their aid application.	50%	50%	50%

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ENV-NOR	Investment in projects going beyond environmental protection standards	Eligible projects: Investment projects enabling beneficiary businesses to go beyond the applicable environmental standards or, in the absence of such standards and in light of its activities, to increase the level of environmental protection.	60%	50%	40%
ENV-AAN	Investment for early adaptations to future EU standards	Eligible projects: Investment projects enabling beneficiary businesses to achieve compliance with newly adopted environmental standards that increase the level of environmental protection, but which are not yet in force.	35%	25%	15%
ENV-MEE	Energy efficiency measures	Eligible projects: Investment projects enabling beneficiary companies to achieve energy efficiency objectives or reduce energy consumption.	50%	40%	30%
ENV-CHR	Investment in high-yield cogeneration	Eligible investments: Investments in new cogeneration units satisfying high-yield cogeneration criteria	65%	55%	45%
ENV-ESR	Investment in renewable energy sources	Eligible projects: Investment projects undertaken to promote the production of energy using renewable sources, and particularly new renewable energy production facilities.	65%	55%	45%
ENV-ASC	Investment for the remediation of contaminated sites	Eligible projects: Investment projects undertaken to repair environmental damage through remediation of contaminated sites.	100%	100%	100%
ENV-RCF	Investment in energy efficient heating and cooling networks	Eligible projects: Investment projects involving the installation of energy efficient heating and cooling networks in connection with the building, extension or renovation of one or several production facilities.	65%	55%	45%
ENV-RRD	Investment in the recycling and reuse of waste	Eligible projects: Investment projects undertaken for the purpose of recycling and reusing waste generated by other businesses.	55%	45%	35%

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ENV-IEN	Investment in energy infrastructure	Eligible investments: Investments in energy infrastructure located in assisted areas.	100%	100%	100%
ENV-EEN	Environmental studies	Eligible studies: Studies directly related to investments to protect the environment.	70%	60%	50%

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REG aid scheme					
REG-IRR	Regional investment	<p>Businesses wishing to make an initial investment in the communes of Dudelange or Differdange may be entitled to regional investment aid.</p> <p>To be entitled to this aid, the investment project must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) be of specific regional interest; or b) have a positive impact on the economic development of the region; or c) contribute to enhancing the geographic distribution of business activities. 	30%	20%	10%