NATIONAL ANNEX

Foundation for Assistance to Small Innovative Enterprises (FASIE), RUSSIA BRICS STI Framework Programme

1st Coordinated call for BRICS innovation projects 2025

FASIE can provide funding for innovative projects (TRL level 5-8) under the following thematic areas:

- 1. Digital technologies;
- 2. Medicine and health-saving technologies;
- 3. New materials and chemical technologies;
- 4. New devices and intelligent manufacturing technologies;
- 5. Biotechnology;
- 6. Resource-saving energy.

The applications to FASIE must be submitted until November, 24th, 2025 (10 am). Applications will not be accepted after this time.

WHO CAN APPLY

Only small companies according to the Russian law can apply- (Federal Law №209, Article 4): up to 100 personnel, up to 800M Rubles turnover and less than 49% participation of large/medium and foreign companies and 25% participation of state, NGO and offshore companies in the share capital).

Universities, research organizations and other public bodies can participate as subcontractors (with not more than 30% share received as a grant from FASIE being subcontracted). This is very important, as a lot of the projects are Academia and University- driven. FASIE requires the project to have an industrial and economic agenda. The company performing R&D hast to be real, it must have turnover, a proven track record of work, IP registered in its name, emlployees working permanently at this company and the company has to have a potential for international cooperation.

FUNDING PRINCIPLES

Maximum amount per Russian part of the project- 30 million Roubles. The Russian company must co-finance 15% of the amount requested from FASIE. Cumulative turnover of the company for 2022, 2023 and 2024 should not be less that the amount of the requested grant.

Project duration: 18 months or 24 months.

What types of costs are eligible for funding?

- a. Costs of personnel/salaries
- b. Equipment up to 20%
- c. Materials and components up to 30%

d. Subcontracting **up to 30%**

e. Other costs: up to 10%

All other costs, not related directly to R&D (travel expences, events, subsistence, patenting, commercialization, marketing, etc, must be covered by own funds).

SUBMISSION

Proposals must be submitted as follows:

- Joint Application Form to the Call Secretariat by the leading PI/Coordinator (for central registration, coordination and statistics).

National application must be submitted through the online application system: http://online.fasie.ru

Each international consortium must include partners from at least two participating countries (including Russia).

OTHER CONDITIONS

The company which has a running contract with FASIE or an application submitted to another call earlier is not eligible;

The Director/Scientific Director of the project should not participate in other applications submitted to FASIE earlier, as well as projects currently funded by FASIE.

The small company applying to FASIE must be listed in the Registry of SME's (https://rmsp.nalog.ru/)

Only one application per company will be accepted (even if the topics of the projects and project partners are different);

The applicants are encouraged to read the National call text carefully to avoid non-compliance: Link to the official call documents will be inserted 3.09

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Link to the call announcement on FASIE's web page (in Russian): will be inserted 3.09

Link to the Call presentation (in Russian): will be inserted 3.09