

New Business opportunities & Environmental suSTainability using MED GRAPE nanotechnological products

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- 1. Is it possible to consider VAT as eligible cost as it is not recoverable for natural persons without VAT?**
 - As reported in the Guidelines for sub-grant applicants, VAT is not eligible [...] "**except** when non-recoverable under the relevant national tax legislation"[...]. If the voucher beneficiary cannot recover the VAT, it is considered an eligible cost.
- 2. Is the cost of registration of the trademark eligible?**
 - As reported in the Guidelines for sub-grant applicants (chapter 4.3), [...] "means for the [...] marketing" are considered eligible costs. Since the trademark registration represents an important step for a new business and/or for identifying new product(s), the cost is considered eligible.
- 3. By the end of the project, it is foreseen an inauguration event focused on the business/product presentation. Are the related expenses eligible?**
 - As reported in the Guidelines for sub-grant applicants (chapter 4.3), External services, are considered eligible costs. Expenses like those for launching events linked to the new business/product are considered eligible.
- 4. At the moment I am doing an internship in a company and I would like to ask for consultancy service to the same company, is this an eligible cost or is there the problem of mutual interests?**

- As reported in the Guidelines for sub-grant applicants (chapter 4.4), [...] "applicants must not be affected by any conflict of interest and must have no equivalent relation in that respect with other applicants or parties involved in the actions".

5. The Voucher foreseen a payment of the 30% initially, so the remaining part is paid at the end of the service? In case, there are any trances? Finally, how long it takes the balance payment?

- As reported in the Guidelines for sub-grant applicants (chapter 8), the will be paid as follow:
 - 30% as pre-financing
 - 70% as balance payment at completion after the expense's verification.

In any case the amount will be paid within the limit of the voucher value and by the end of the BESTMEDGRAPE project.

6. In the Guidelines for applicants, section "Eligibility of costs" it is reported that "The sub-grant will take the forms of reimbursement of costs". It means that the 70% of the contribution must be paid in advance by the applicants? It is possible to find an agreement with the providers and pay at the end of the project?

- As reported in the Guidelines for sub-grant applicants (chapter 8), the balance payment will be done after the expense's verification. It means after the submission of the expenses supporting docs to the BESTMEDGRAPE Partner organization (the same you sent the application), that must include, at least:
 - Invoices and proof of payment (bank receipt)