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The Ministry of Industry and Trade published the updated Schedule of Calls within the Enterprise and Innovation for Competitiveness Operational Programme for 2018. The updates of the schedule published in December 2017 include postponing indefinitely the publication of calls with the original publication date in January in order to review the calls in the context of the Ministry's new priorities. The anticipated deadlines for publishing the selected calls are listed below:

Programme name	Programme focus	Type of call	Supported territory	Types of recipients*	Anticipated publication date	Planned date of receiving application for support
Call IV: ICT and shared services	Creating new IS/ICT solutions	Rounds	Czech Republic, outside the capital of Prague	SME, LE	2/2018	from 2/2018 to 6/2018
Call III: Energy savings in heat supply systems	Reconstruction and development of heat supply systems, increasing the CHP efficiency	On-going	Czech Republic, outside the capital of Prague	SME, LE	4/2018	from 4/2018 to 10/2018
Call IV: Energy savings	Activities relating to final energy consumption savings	On-going	Czech Republic, outside the capital of Prague	SME, LE	6/2018	from 7/2018 to 12/2018
Call IV: Application	R & D activities with outputs including prototypes, industrial designs and utility models, software etc.	Rounds	Czech Republic, outside the capital of Prague	SME	6/2018	from 6/2018 to 9/2018
Call V: Innovation	Purchasing production technology to launch new or innovated products into production and on the market	Rounds	Czech Republic, outside the capital of Prague	SME	6/2018	from 6/2018 to 10/2018

*SME – small and medium-sized enterprises, LE – large entities.



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On 28 February 2018, the Technology Agency of the Czech Republic will publish the 4th tender within the Programme for the support of applied research and experimental development (the “EPSILON Programme”).

The programme aims to support projects the results of which have a high potential for prompt application in new products, production processes and services. The programme can only support industrial applications using new technologies and new materials in the energy, environment and transport sectors for which at least one of the following outcomes may be reasonably expected: patents, prototypes,

functional sample, pilot plant, verified technology, software, industrial design/utility model, and certified methodologies/practices/specialised maps with expert content. Tenderers include enterprises, research organisations and individuals engaged in business activity. The maximum amount support per project is 60% of total eligible expenses whereby the average expected support from the state budget is CZK 10 million per project.

Updating the Supplier Selection Rules

At the beginning of January, the Supplier Selection Rules were updated with effect from 15 January 2018.

The most significant changes include adjusting the procedure in line with the Supplier Selection Rules and the Act on Public Procurement with regard to a change in the financial limits for public tenders and concessions. Furthermore, conditions for sub-suppliers have been specified, including the cancellation of the original Section 42 restricting the signing of a contract with a participant involved in publishing the respective tender procedure.



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