Information communicated by Member States regarding State aid granted under Commission Regulation (EC) No 70/2001 of 12 January 2001 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises

(2005/C 305/07)

(Text with EEA relevance)

Aid No: XS 9/2004

Member State: Italy

Region: Lombardy

Title of aid scheme: Grants to transport firms in Brescia for the purchase of hardware and/or software fir administrative management — 2003/04

Legal basis: Art. 12 L. 7 agosto 1990, n. 241, deliberazioni camerali n. 240 del 10.12.2002, n. 185 del 29.9.2003 e n. 227 del 18.11.2003 — Determinazioni dirigenziali n. 93/AV del 9.10.2003 e n. 127/AV del 15.12.2003

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 30 000

Maximum aid intensity: 15 % of the costs incurred up to a maximum of EUR 1 500 for each firm

Date of implementation: 20.10.2003

Duration of scheme: 20.10.2003 until 19.10.2004

Objective of aid: To promote computerisation in the area of administrative management in firms in Brescia

Economic sector(s) concerned: Transport

Name and address of granting authority:

Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Craft and Agriculture of Brescia
Via Orzinuovi n. 3
IT-25125 Brescia
Tel. 0303514335
E-mail: buriani@bs.camcom.it

Aid No: XS 33/03

Member State: Italy

Region: Calabria

Title of aid scheme: Contributions to the costs of measures under Action 1.11.a.

Legal basis:

— Decreto legislativo 31.3.1998, n. 112;

— Regolamento CE n. 70 del 12.1.2001;

— Legge Regionale n. 7, art. 31 quater del 2.5.2001;

— Delibera di Giunta della Regione Calabria n. 1013 del 4.12.2001;

— Delibera di Giunta della Regione Calabria n. 762 del 6 agosto 2002

Annual expenditure planned:

Action	Total cost	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Action 1.11.a	EUR 23 910,92	EUR 3 115,78	EUR 3 192,22	EUR 3 270,72	EUR 4 237,01	EUR 3 223,21	EUR 3 397,77	EUR 3 474,21

Maximum aid intensity: 50 % nge plus 15 % gge

Date of implementation: 20.11.2002

Duration of scheme: Until 31.12.2006

Objective of aid: The aid is intended to assist SMEs in the energy sector

Economic sector(s) concerned: All sectors and all services

Name and address of granting authority:

Regione Calabria (sede legale)
Via Massara n. 2
IT-88100 Catanzaro

Aid No: XS 39/03

Member State: Spain

Region: Castile-La Mancha

Title of aid scheme: Order by the Regional Ministry of Industry and Labour (Consejería de Industria y Trabajo) to promote the setting up of women's worker-owned businesses and cooperatives

Legal basis: Orden de 6 de marzo de 2003, de la Consejería de Industria y Trabajo, para fomentar la creación de Cooperativas y Sociedades Laborales Formadas por Mujeres, publicada en el DOCM Núm. 35, de 14 de marzo de 2003

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 3 600 000

Maximum aid intensity: 60 % of the approved investment: 35 % of the authorised investment covered in the form of a non-repayable grant; 25 % to be repaid over 3 years.

The maximum aid intensity may not exceed the ceilings applicable in the Castile-La Mancha region (30 % NGE for the province of Guadalajara and 40 % NGE in the rest of the region, raised by 15 percentage points gross in the case of small and medium-sized businesses), as laid down in the Commission Decision on the regional aid map for Spain

Date of implementation: 1.4.2003

Duration of scheme: 30.12.2006

Objective of aid: As stated in Provision 1 of the Order governing the scheme, the purpose of this aid is to promote female employment by creating new social economy SMEs through investment aid to start them up

Economic sector(s) concerned: Aid applications are accepted from social economy SMEs (cooperatives and worker-owned businesses) operating in any line of business, except for those listed in Provision 2(2) of the Order, which are:

(a) agriculture, animal husbandry, forestry, the food industry (preparation, production, marketing, etc.), and ancillary activities related to them;

(b) housing and real estate;

(c) insurance;

(d) credit;

(e) transport as regards investment in vehicles;

(f) businesses whose company aim includes activities relating to any type of advisory services, agency services, consultancy and the like.

Name and address of granting authority:

Consejería de Industria y Trabajo
Dirección General de Trabajo
Avda. Río Estenilla, s/n
ES-45071 Toledo

Aid No: XS 83/02

Member State: Italy

Region: Lazio

Title of aid scheme: Submeasure IV 1.1- Back-up services

DOCUP Obiettivo 2 2000-2006 Lazio

Legal basis:

— DOCUP Obiettivo 2 2000-2006 Lazio e Complemento di Programmazione Obiettivo 2 Lazio

— Misura IV.1 — Aiuti alle PMI

— Sottomisura IV.1.1 — Servizi reali alle imprese

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme

	Ob. 2 (EUR)	Phasing out (EUR)	Total (EUR)
2001	2 218 396	640 654	2 859 050
2002	2 695 455	712 988	3 408 443
2003	2 744 134	588 987	3 333 121
2004	2 570 281	402 993	2 973 274
2005	2 612 005	272 108	2 884 113
2006	2 653 730	—	2 653 730
Total	15 494 001	2 617 730	18 111 731

Maximum aid intensity: 50 % gge of eligible investment, up to a ceiling of EUR 150 000

Date of implementation: The aid may be granted after publication of the public notice in the Lazio Region Official Gazette (Bollettino Ufficiale della Regione Lazio, BURL)

Duration of scheme: Until 31.12.2006

Objective of aid:: To increase the use by SMEs in Lazio (Objective 2) of specialised external back-up services in the field of quality and environmental systems, marketing, IT and information systems

Economic sector(s) concerned: The sectors concerned are set out in Annex A to Measure IV.1 — Aid to SMEs, programming complement

Name and address of granting authority:

Agenzia Sviluppo Lazio SpA
Via Bellini, 22
IT-00198 Roma

Aid No: XS 96/02

Member State: Italy

Title of aid scheme: Support for consortia and cooperatives providing collective credit guarantees

Legal basis:

— Decreto legislativo 31 marzo 1998, n. 114 art. 24

— Decreto 30 marzo 2001, n. 400 — Regolamento recante i criteri e le modalità per il finanziamento delle società finanziarie per lo sviluppo delle imprese operanti nel commercio, nel turismo e nei servizi. Pubblicato su G.U. n. 260 dell'8 novembre 2002

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: The public contribution will amount to a total of EUR 38 424 393 and will be supplemented by EUR 2 324 056 in private funds. The aggregate funds, i.e. EUR 40 748 449, should be able to provide counterguarantees for loans totalling EUR 500 billion

Maximum aid intensity: Since counterguarantees and guarantees are issued on the basis of a realistic risk assessment and counterguarantees cover not more than 90 % of the amount guaranteed by the co-sureties, which in turn guarantee not more than 60 % of each loan (which can be increased to 80 % and 85 % respectively in the case of loans to firms located in the areas eligible for the derogation in Article 92(3)(a) of the EC Treaty and loans to firms subscribing to area contracts or territorial pacts), the maximum aid intensity will fall well below the ceiling for medium-sized enterprises, namely 7,5 % gross grant equivalent

Date of implementation: 31.7.2002

Duration of scheme: June 2006

Objective of aid: The aid scheme has the following two objectives:

(a) to increase the resources available to the finance companies' joint guarantee fund for granting counter-guarantees to co-sureties with stakes in the finance company within the limits and in accordance with the criteria laid down in Ministerial Decree No 248 of 31 May 1999 implementing Article 15 of Law No 266 of 7 August 1997;

(b) to promote mergers between the consortia and cooperatives referred to in Article 9(9) of Decree-Law No 697 of 1 October 1982, converted by Law No 887 of 29 November 1982, by supplementing the resources of the risk fund operated by the consortium and/or cooperative resulting from the merger

Economic sector(s) concerned: SMEs in distribution, tourism and business services

Name and address of granting authority:

Ministero delle attività produttive, Direzione generale per il coordinamento degli incentivi alle imprese, Ufficio D1 Interventi nel commercio
Via Molise, 2
IT-00187 Roma