Summary information communicated by Member States regarding State aid granted under Commission Regulation (EC) No 1/2004 of 23 December 2003 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production, processing and marketing of agricultural products

(2006/C 159/08)

Aid No: XA 19/2006

Member State: Italy

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid: Export assistance project, a project to provide assistance to enterprises, pursuant to Article 14 (2)(c) of Regulation 1/2004: short-term consultancy services. Beneficiary: SILVESTRONI SNC of Camerata Picena, Ancona, Italy, active in the production and marketing of wine.

Legal basis: Bando emesso dalla Camera di Commercio di Ancona — Italia

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company: Assistance will be provided for six months, excluding the summer break in August 2006, and is estimated at EUR 8 000

Maximum aid intensity: EUR 8 000 per SME selected

Date of implementation: As of 1 April, with the exception of a one-month summer break in August 2006, for an overall total of 18 consultations per enterprise

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: Ends 31 October 2006

Objective of aid: To provide assistance and consultancy services to enterprises in the province of Ancona. Consultancy costs are covered.

Sector(s) concerned: SMEs in sectors C and D, category ATECORI 2022 that meet the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 70/2001

Name and address of granting authority: Ancona Chamber of Commerce

Web-Address:


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Aid No: XA 21/2006

Member State: Spain

Region: Navarre

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid: Aid to livestock breeders’ associations in Navarre for 2006

Legal basis: Orden foral del consejero de agricultura, ganadería y alimentación, por la que se aprueba la convocatoria y las bases reguladoras de ayudas a las asociaciones de criadores de ganado de Navarra para el año 2006

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company: EUR 492 000 for the 2006 financial year

Maximum aid intensity: Aid at a rate of up to 55 % to cover the administrative costs directly linked to the establishment and maintenance of herd books.

Aid at a rate of up to 55 % of the costs of tests performed by or on behalf of third parties, to determine the genetic quality or yield of livestock

Date of implementation: 1 June 2006

Duration of aid scheme or individual aid award: December 2006

Objective of aid: Grants to livestock breeders’ associations in Navarre in order to encourage activities relating to the selection, conservation and promotion of livestock breeds. Article 13: Support for the livestock sector. Eligible costs: (a) administrative expenditure on herd books, (b) expenditure to determine the genetic quality or yield of livestock

Sector(s) concerned: Breeders of select livestock breeds in Navarre

Name and address of the granting authority:

Gobierno de Navarra
Departamento de agricultura, ganadería y alimentación
C/Tudela 20
E-31003 Pamplona

Web address: www.navarra.es
Aid No: XA 22/2006

Member State: Spain

Region: Rioja

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid: Strategic programme for foreign trade (amendment)


Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company: Budget for the strategic programme for foreign trade: EUR 450 000

Maximum aid intensity: Up to 50 %

Date of implementation: From 18 March 2006

Duration of aid scheme or individual aid award: 2006

Objective of aid: The main objective of the aid is to help enterprises in Rioja adjust to increasing market globalisation by giving them more flexibility, and to promote the capacity of the business sector in the region to succeed in an increasingly competitive environment. In terms of agri-food industries able to benefit from this aid, the objective accords with Article 14 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1/2004 of 23 December 2003 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the EC Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production, processing and marketing of agricultural products

The aid aims to improve the competitiveness of undertakings by supporting activities geared towards improving the design of packaging, the design of catalogues and product information sheets, the creation of web pages and specific specialist advice about marketing abroad, and to support the undertakings' penetration of international markets by promoting displays in trade fairs abroad

Sector(s) concerned: SMEs involved in processing and marketing, where a processing SME has a majority shareholding (agri-food products)

Name and address of the granting authority:
Agencia de Desarrollo Económico de La Rioja
Muro de la Mata, 13-14
E-26071 Logroño
941 29 15 00
ader@ader.es

Web address: www.ader.es

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Aid No: XA 23/2006

Member State: Spain

Region: Rioja

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid: Rules governing the aid scheme relating to the programme ‘New developments in information and communications technology for micro-enterprises’

Legal basis: Resolución del Presidente de la Agencia de Desarrollo Económico de La Rioja de 17 de marzo de 2006 por la que se aprueban las Bases Reguladoras del régimen de ayudas del programa Nuevas Tecnologías de la Información y las Comunicaciones para Microempresas.

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company: EUR 300 000

Maximum aid intensity: 40 % of eligible investment

Date of implementation: From 23 March 2006

Duration of aid scheme or individual aid award: 2006

Objective of aid: The main objective is to grant aid to SMEs. The secondary objective is to help enterprises with fewer than 10 employees gain access to the internet and to the use of electronic mail, as well as to have their own web page

The aid towards promoting the acquisition of computers with an internet connection, plus the availability of electronic mail and a web page

Article 7 has been used: ‘Investment in processing and marketing’
Sector(s) concerned: Micro-enterprises (processing and marketing) with a head office in the Autonomous Community of Rioja or at least having a centre of activity there

Name and address of the granting authority:
Agencia de Desarrollo Económico de La Rioja
Muro de la Mata, 13-14
E-26071 Logroño (La Rioja)

Web address: www.ader.es

XA Number: XA 28-06

Member State: Netherlands

Region: Province of Limburg

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid: L.H. and G.M.J. Beumers partnership

Legal basis: Algemene subsidieverordening 2004

Annual expenditure planned or overall amount of aid granted to the company: One-off contribution by the Province of EUR 2 120 000

Maximum aid intensity: The abovementioned amount of EUR 21 200 is lower than the authorised aid per beneficiary of EUR 100 000 or 50 % of the eligible costs, whichever is greater, over any three-year period, in conjunction with consultancy services, the costs of services which do not constitute a periodic activity and do not relate to the enterprise’s usual operating expenditure, cf. Article 14(1), Article 14(2)(c) and Article 14(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1/2004.

Date of implementation: Date of decision: 25 April 2006; subject to the usual reservations, the aid will be awarded following notification.

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: From 25 April 2006 to 25 July 2007

Objective of aid: The aid relates to the implementation of a feasibility recommendation [support for small and medium-sized enterprises] by the L.H. and G.M.J. Beumers partnership. This recommendation will be used as a basis for determining which of the enterprise’s part-products are required by the various market sectors (individuals, clubs, tourists, etc.), and to what extent and during what periods. In this way, specific efforts can be put in place to strengthen the enterprise’s existing economic resources and any new resources which it is in the process of developing (vineyard sites, wine tasting, pitch and putt, etc.).

Under Article 14(2)(c) this consultancy service is a service which does not constitute a continuous or periodic activity and does not relate to the enterprise’s usual operating expenditure

Sector(s) concerned: The aid is intended for an operator in the productive sector, involving in this instance the cultivation of grapes and the production of wine. The feasibility recommendation looks at how best the product can be marketed

Name and address of the granting authority:
Province du Limbourg
Limburglaan 10
Postbus 5700
6202 MA Maastricht
Nederland

Website: www.limburg.nl

XA number: XA 29-06

Member State: Netherlands

Region: Province of Fryslân

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid: Nicolay Fryslam

Legal basis:
Algemene wet bestuursrecht, titel 4.2 (loi générale sur les procédures administratives, titre 4.2)

Algemene Subsidieverordening Provincie Fryslân 1998 (règlement général de 1998 sur les subventions de la province de Fryslân)

Provinciewet artikel 145 (article 145 de la loi provinciale)

Verordening met betrekking tot het verlenen van subsidies ten behoeve van het plattelandsbeleid voor de jaren 2005 — 2008 (règlement relatif à l’octroi de subventions en faveur de la politique rurale pour les années 2005 — 2008

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company: The total amount of subsidy is EUR 50 000 EUR 40 000 of this will be paid out in 2006
Maximum aid intensity (indicate the maximum aid intensity or the maximum aid amount per eligible item): The maximum aid intensity is 50 % of eligible costs. The maximum amount of aid is EUR 50 000.

Date of implementation: Implementation takes place as soon as possible after receipt of the European Commission's covering letter on this notice.

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: The beneficiary will receive the decision granting individual aid in 2006, thereby acquiring a legal right to this aid. The final instalment will be paid no later than January 2009.

Objective of aid: The objective of the aid is the provision of external advice to current and future chain partners in setting up a chain for Frisian lamb, and training of sheep farmers.


Eligible costs of advice, training and organising fairs, pursuant to Article 14(2)(a), (c) and (d).

Sheep farmers can join the chain project subject to a number of predetermined objective criteria.

Sector(s) concerned: The aid applies to production and/or processing and/or marketing of Frisian lamb.

Name and address of the granting authority:
Provincie Fryslân
Postbus 20120
8900 HM Leeuwarden
Nederland

Website: Internet site: www.fryslan.nl

Aid Number: XA 30-06

Member State: Federal Republic of Germany

Region: Schleswig-Holstein

Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid: Aid towards the costs of laboratory examinations on fallen stock (bovine, ovine or caprine animals) and on ovine or caprine animals for slaughter, in the context of the rapid tests for BSE/TSE performed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001, laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies.

Beneficiaries are the respective livestock owners who are to be regarded as small or medium-sized enterprises within the meaning of Regulation (EC) No 1/2004.


Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:

1) Annual costs of laboratory examinations on fallen bovine animals
   — 2004: EUR 384 925
   — 2005: EUR 299 746
   — 2006: EUR 342 766 (estimate)

2) Annual costs of laboratory examinations on fallen ovine and caprine animals and healthy slaughtered ovine and caprine animals
   — 2004: EUR 26 168
   — 2005: EUR 18 520
   — 2006: EUR 22 319 (estimate)

Maximum aid intensity:

100 % or EUR 21.21 per sample for the laboratory examination on fallen bovine animals and EUR 17.70 per sample for the laboratory examination on fallen and slaughtered ovine and caprine animals.

Date of implementation: Implementation is in accordance with the legal basis above, with retroactive effect from 1 January 2001.

Notification is delayed as the intention was to file a single aid application for the Federal Republic of Germany (Aid No 373/2003). Since this was not successful and exemption Regulation (EC) No 1/2004 has in the meantime entered into force, a separate request for exemption is being filed for Schleswig-Holstein.
Duration of scheme or individual aid award: Aid will be granted for as long as the examination is required under Chapter A of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001

Objective of aid: Livestock owners in Schleswig-Holstein are obliged in principle to bear the costs of diagnostic measures which need to be performed on their stock under animal health rules

In the Land Schleswig-Holstein, the costs of the TSE examination on fallen bovine animals and on ovine or caprine animals is assumed by the public sector in the interests of robust surveillance

The random examination is conducted on the basis of the principle of equal treatment (financing from public funds)

Regulation (EC) No 1/2004 is used for this purpose

The objective of the measure is to ensure that fallen stock is also monitored for TSE, by settling the fee which owners of fallen bovine, ovine or caprine animals have to pay for the laboratory examination

Under Article 13(2)(e) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1/2004 of 23 December 2003, the rapid tests for BSE/TSE serve to implement Community legislation (see above)

Sector(s) concerned: Agriculture. Beneficiaries of the aid are the owners of bovine, ovine or caprine animals at the production stage.

Name and address of the granting authority:
Ministerium für Landwirtschaft, Umwelt und ländliche Räume des Schleswig-Holsteins
Abt. 3
Mercatorstraße 7
D-24106 Kiel

Web address:
http://www.umwelt.schleswig-holstein.de/?67603

Aid number: XA 31/06
Member State: France
Region: Lower Normandy

Title of aid scheme: Aid for investment in on-farm processing of agricultural products

Legal basis:
— Articles L 1511 et suivants du Code général des collectivités territoriales permettant aux collectivités territoriales d’intervenir dans le cadre de la création ou de l’extension d’activités économiques en accordant des aides directes et indirectes aux entreprises.

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 100 000

Maximum aid intensity:
— 30 % of eligible investments
— 40 % for processing rape seed

Date of implementation: On receipt of an acknowledgement of receipt from the European Commission

Duration of scheme: Two years, renewable

Objective of aid: The aim of the scheme is to promote the diversification of farm activities to include other activities linked to the production, processing and sale of Annex I products. The aim is to boost farmers’ income by profits from processing their products. The secondary aims of the aid scheme are to boost farmers’ income (by reducing the purchase of livestock feed and fuel costs) and to promote environmental protection (to combat the greenhouse effect)

The scheme covers investments exclusively to permit the on-farm processing of agricultural products produced on that same farm, for at least half of processed products. Eligible costs include investments and equipment needed for the on-farm processing of farmers’ products. Priority will be given to processing projects for products carrying quality marks and those involving rape seed processing in order to add value through combined nutritional and energy uses of rape seed (the production of pre-cooked, pressed oilseed cake and oil for farm fuel). In particular, aid will help finance grain storage facilities, oil presses and oilseed cake storage facilities

The secondary aims of the aid scheme are to boost farmers’ income (by reducing the purchase of livestock feed and fuel costs) and to promote environmental protection (to combat the greenhouse effect)
Sector(s) concerned: All farms in Lower Normandy

Name and address of the granting authority:
Monsieur le Président du Conseil régional de Basse-Normandie
Abbaye aux Dames
BP 523
F-14035 Caen CEDEX

Web address: www.region-basse-normandie.fr

Aid number: XA 32/06

Member State: France

Region: Lower Normandy

Title of aid scheme: Aid for investment in the on-farm sale of agricultural products

Legal basis:
— Articles L 1511 et suivants du Code général des collectivités territoriales permettant aux collectivités territoriales d'intervenir dans le cadre de la création ou de l'extension d'activités économiques en accordant des aides directes et indirectes aux entreprises.

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 40 000

Maximum aid intensity: 20% of eligible investments

Date of implementation: On receipt of an acknowledgement of receipt from the European Commission

Duration of scheme: Two years, renewable

Objective of aid: This scheme complements the aid scheme for investment in the on-farm processing of agricultural products since the aim is to assist with the specific equipment for selling agricultural products to the local market: investments in product packaging and the facilities needed to present products for sale. As in the above-mentioned scheme, the aim is to support the diversification of farm activities to include other activities linked to the production, processing and sale of Annex I products in order to boost farmers’ income by proceeds from the sale of their products.

The base of the aid scheme is investment expenditure. Replacement items and second-hand equipment are not eligible for aid. Expenditure on transport equipment is not eligible for aid. The sectors concerned are all farms in Lower Normandy active in the sale — with or without processing — of their products to markets in Lower Normandy.

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Monsieur le Président du Conseil régional de Basse-Normandie
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Web address: www.region-basse-normandie.fr

Aid Number: XA 33/06

Member State: France

Region: Lower Normandy

Title of aid scheme: Certification aid for SMES in connection with processing organic agricultural products

Legal basis:
— Articles L 1511 et suivants du Code général des collectivités territoriales permettant aux collectivités territoriales d'intervenir dans le cadre de la création ou de l'extension d'activités économiques en accordant des aides directes et indirectes aux entreprises.
Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 30 000

Maximum aid intensity: 60%, declining by 10% per year.

Date of implementation: On receipt of an acknowledgement of receipt from the European Commission.

Duration of scheme: Two years, renewable

Objective of aid: To encourage the processing of organic products by covering part of the compulsory costs of certification carried out by independent bodies. Eligible expenditure covers the cost of certification. Aid is limited to EUR 1 200

Sector(s) concerned: All small and medium-sized enterprises processing organic agricultural products into products listed in Annex I to the EC Treaty

Name and address of the granting authority:

Monsieur le Président du Conseil régional de Basse-Normandie
Abbaye aux Dames
BP 523
F-14035 Caen CEDEX


Aid Number: XA 34/06

Member State: France

Region: Lower Normandy

Title of aid scheme: Aid to develop official quality marks

Legal basis:


— Articles L 1511 et suivants du Code général des collectivités territoriales permettant aux collectivités territoriales d'intervenir dans le cadre de la création ou de l'extension d'activités économiques en accordant des aides directes et indirectes aux entreprises.


Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 50 000

Maximum aid intensity: 40% of eligible expenditure

Date of implementation: On receipt of an acknowledgement of receipt from the European Commission.

Duration of scheme: Two years, renewable

Objective of aid: The aim of the scheme is to promote new initiatives to improve the quality of agricultural production in Lower Normandy, and therefore to develop and consolidate quality procedures for growth products

The scheme covers the costs to prepare and launch the production of quality products under the official EU mark, i.e., depending on the case, products with official certification, quality assurance (HACCP), designation of origin, protected geographical indication, produced organically or with a certificate of special character

According to needs, aid may be used to help fund the costs of market studies, to prepare applications for designation of origin or certificates of special character, technical support, advisors (audits, project management and follow-up) needed to launch quality production projects, the costs of promoting these products and the costs of specific production checks under the conditions authorised in Article 13(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1/2004

Sector(s) concerned: All farms in Lower Normandy commencing new quality production under point 13 of the guidelines on agriculture

Name and address of the granting authority:

Monsieur le Président du Conseil régional de Basse-Normandie
Abbaye aux Dames
BP 523
F-14035 Caen Cedex

Web address: www.region-basse-normandie.fr

Aid Number: XA 35/06

Member State: France

Region: Lower Normandy

Title of aid scheme: Aid for certification and monitoring of organic farming (production sector)
Legal basis:


— Articles L 1511-1 et L 1511-2 du code général des collectivités territoriales.


Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 150 000

Maximum aid intensity: 50 % of compulsory certification costs

Date of implementation: On receipt of an acknowledgement of receipt from the European Commission.

Duration of scheme: Two years, renewable

Objective of aid: To support and encourage organic production by covering part of the compulsory costs of certification carried out by independent bodies under Council Regulation (EC) No 2091/91 of 22 July 1991. Eligible expenditure covers the cost of certification up to a ceiling of EUR 300.

Sector(s) concerned: All farms in Lower Normandy active in organic agricultural production

Name and address of the granting authority:

Monsieur le Président du Conseil Régional de Basse-Normandie
Abbaye aux Dames
BP 523
F-14035 Caen CEDEX


Legal basis:


— Articles L 1511 et suivants du Code général des collectivités territoriales permettant aux collectivités territoriales d'intervenir dans le cadre de la création ou de l'extension d'activités économiques en accordant des aides directes et indirectes aux entreprises.


Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 200 000

Maximum aid intensity:

— General scheme: 30 % of investments (new material only) directly linked with commencing organic agricultural production — new equipment

— 10 % fixed for farm buildings and structures

Date of implementation: On receipt of an acknowledgement of receipt from the European Commission.

Duration of scheme: Two years, renewable

Objective of aid: The purpose of the scheme is to improve the costs of organic agricultural production. Environmental protection and improving the quality of the agricultural end products concerned are part of the secondary objectives of this aid scheme

Aid covers investment in new equipment specifically for hay making and land treatment used by farmers to optimise the cost of organic production, such as the purchase of farm machinery for mechanised hoeing, hay harvesting equipment and facilities needed for under-cover drying of these products as well as equipment used for open-field production of vegetables

Examples of eligible investment: barn drying facilities, swath turners, roundballers, hay racks, round bailers, haymakers, mowers, hay turners and hay storage barns

Replacement items and second-hand equipment are not eligible for aid

Sector(s) concerned: All certified organic farms in Lower Normandy

Aid Number: XA 36/06

Member State: France

Region: Lower Normandy

Title of aid scheme: Aid for investment in organic farms
Name and address of the granting authority:
Monsieur le Président du Conseil régional de Basse-Normandie
Abbaye aux Dames
BP 523
F-14035 Caen CEDEX

Web address: www.region-basse-normandie.fr

Aid Number: XA 38/06
Member State: France
Region: Lower Normandy
Title of aid scheme: Technical support for farms

Legal basis:
— Article 14 du règlement (CE) n° 1/2004 de la Commission
— Articles L 1511 et suivants du Code général des collectivités
territoriales permettant aux collectivités territoriales d'inter-
venir dans le cadre de la création ou de l’extension d’activ-
ités économiques en accordant des aides directes et indir-
ectes aux entreprises.
— Délibération de l’assemblée régionale en date du 11 février
2005.

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme: EUR 50 000

Maximum aid intensity: 50 % of eligible expenditure

Date of implementation: On receipt of an acknowledgement of receipt from the European Commission.

Duration of scheme: Two years, renewable

Objective of aid: The scheme aims to improve the effectiveness and professionalism of the farms concerned by providing technical support or appropriate training. Eligible expenditure covers technical assistance planned for teaching and training farmers and farm workers and the fees for advisors providing these technical services. The general ceiling for individual aid is set at EUR 500

Sector(s) concerned: All farms in Lower Normandy

Name and address of the granting authority:
Monsieur le Président du Conseil régional de Basse-Normandie
Abbaye aux Dames
BP 523
F-14035 Caen CEDEX

Web address: www.region-basse-normandie.fr

Aid Number: XA 39/2006
Member State: Italy
Region: Sardinia
Title of scheme: Measures to support Sardinian craft trades. New investment measures

Legal basis:
— L.R. 51/93 art. 10 bis.
— Deliberazione della Giunta Regionale n. 2/18 del 17 gennaio 2006.

Annual expenditure planned: Overall planned expenditure for the 2006 call for proposals is EUR 15 000 000.

Maximum aid intensity: Capital contributions of 30 % of eligible investment for the whole region and 35 % for the most disadvantaged provinces of Sardinia.

Date of implementation: Starts 1 March 2006, in any case 10 working days after sending this form, in accordance with Article 19(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1/2004.

Duration of scheme: Ends 31 December 2006.

Objective of aid: To develop regional production by awarding a capital contribution to support SMEs in the craft trade, including those operating in the processing and marketing of agricultural products, for investment programmes designed to launch new initiatives and/or to consolidate existing initiatives, by setting up new facilities or by extending, modernising, restructuring, converting or transferring existing facilities. These objectives are in line with those set out in Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1/2004. Aid may only be granted for activities undertaken after the introduction and publication of this scheme, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1/2004.
**Economic sectors concerned:** All SMEs listed in the register of craft trade enterprises in accordance with Law No 443/85 and active in the processing and marketing of agricultural products.

**Name and address of the granting authority:**
Regione autonoma della Sardegna  
Assessorato del Turismo, Artigianato e Commercio  
V. le Trieste 105  
Cagliari

**Website:** www.regione.sardegna.it

**Other information:** Aid granted to SMEs listed in the register of craft trade enterprises in accordance with Law No 443/85 not active in the processing and marketing of agricultural products are governed by Regulation (EC) No 70/2001.

**Date of implementation and duration of the aid scheme:** From the time of registration and acknowledgement of receipt by the Commission until 31 December 2009

**Objective of aid:** This measure falls within the scope of Article 4(3)(a) and (c) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1/2004 of 23 December 2003. Its objective is to improve food quality and safety and the competitiveness of farms by financing the procurement of new technologies, such as:

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- A decision-making tool to determine the appropriate product assortment on the basis of market demand
- A tool to analyse the ripening and ripeness of products
- A tool to analyse the water content of plants and control the amount of water administered.

**Sector background:** Agricultural SMEs having fewer than 250 employees and an annual turnover not exceeding EUR 40 million or an annual balance-sheet total not exceeding EUR 27 million, in line with Commission Regulation (EC) No 70/2001. Moreover, these enterprises must be independent as defined in paragraph 3 of Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) 70/2001.

**Name and address of the granting authority:**
Conseil Général de l'Hérault  
Hôtel du Département  
1000, rue d’Alco  
F-34087 Montpellier CEDEX 4

**Internet address:** This aid scheme is published on the website of the Department of Hérault: http://www.cg34.fr

To go to the relevant page, follow this path:

Economie/agriculture/production/appui au développement/ en savoir plus: transfert de technologie

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**XA Number:** XA 41/06

**Member State:** France

**Department:** Hérault

**Title of aid scheme:** Aid for the procurement of new technologies aimed at raising product quality to market levels.

**Legal basis:**

- Article 4 points 3 a) et 3 c) du règlement (CE) n° 1/2004 de la Commission européenne.
- Articles L 1511-1 et suivants du code général des collectivités territoriales.

**Annual expenditure planned under the scheme:** EUR 200 000

**Maximum aid intensity:** The aid will take the form of a grant at a rate of 40 % of the eligible tangible and intangible investments, exclusive of tax, up to an individual aid ceiling of EUR 20 000.

Subsidised investments must meet the requirements of Article 4(3) to (10) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1/2004 of 23 December 2003

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**Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid:** Support for young farmers for taking over agricultural holdings

**Member State:** Slovenia

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**XA Number:** XA 45/05

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Legal basis: 11(a) člen Uredbe o programih kmetijske strukturne politike in kmetijske politike razvoja podeželja za leti 2005 in 2006 (UL RS, št. 45/04) in 9. člen Uredbe o spremembah in dopolnitvah Uredbe o programih kmetijske strukturne politike in kmetijske politike razvoja podeželja za leti 2005 in 2006 (UL RS, št. 10/05 in x/05)

Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:
Annual expenditure:
— for 2005: up to SIT 770 000 000 (EUR 3 212 350 (1))
— for 2006: up to SIT 570 000 000 (EUR 2 377 970)
Total: SIT 1 340 000 000 (EUR 5 590 320)

Maximum aid intensity: Maximum amount of aid per applicant is SIT 4 000 000 (EUR 16 687)

Date of implementation: Implementation will begin in August 2005.

Duration of scheme or individual aid award: The aid may be granted up to 31 December 2006.

Objective of the aid: In accordance with Article 8, the objective of the aid is to award a grant to partly cover the expenses incurred when next-generation young farmers take over ownership of the family agricultural holding, in line with handover or donation agreements.

Providing incentives to take over agricultural holdings will improve the situation regarding the ownership and age of Slovenian agricultural structures. The maximum amount of aid is SIT 4 000 000 per applicant

Sectors concerned: The scheme is applicable to production in all sectors

Name and address of the granting authority:
Ministrstvo za kmetijstvo, gozdarstvo in prehrano
Dunajska 58,
SLO-1000 Ljubljana

Agencija RS za kmetijske trge in razvoj podeželja
Dunajska 160,
SLO-1000 Ljubljana

Website address: http://www.mkgp.gov.si/

(1) 2005 Spring Report of the Slovenian macroeconomic analysis and economic development office (EUR/SIT = 239,7)