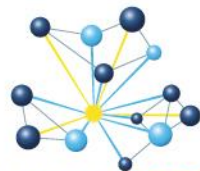


Vinnovate Regional Instrument Portrait 2024 – North-East Romania

<u>Category</u>	<u>Answers</u>
Name	North-East Regional Development Agency - Managing Authority for North-East Regional Programme 2021-2027
Source of Funding <i>Indicate the extent to which the instrument is based on ERDF or Regional or National resources. Indicate the extent to which the instrument is activable (by regional actors) only in the context of Vinnovate outside the scope of Vinnovate or not.</i>	Regional/National: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO ERDF: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Dedicated/reserved for Vinnovate: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Website	https://regionordest.ro/
Geographical Scope (NUTS 2, NUTS 3 or others)	Regional/NUTS 2 level
Amount potentially activable in 2024 for Vinnovate	600.000€
Short description and Scope of the instrument - Technologies and/or applications areas and/or policies objectives targeted? <i>Indicate the extent to which the instrument has a thematic focus or not (incl. any specific policy objectives to be pursued). In less than 100 words.</i>	RSO1.1. - Developing and enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies, aims to strengthen capacity and increase performance of the regional R&I ecosystem, through actions that support RDI activities and investments for the implementation of S3 solutions, and encouraging research-industry collaboration. This instrument aims to finance projects with private promoters, which ensure synergy with Horizon Europe Program calls EIC Accelerator and RIV-EIE, and projects identified through the Vinnovate funding mechanism organized by the Vanguard Initiative, in compliance with the conditions stipulated in Article 73(2) CPR.
Conditions for funded applicants – Type <i>Mention the type of eligible (for funding) applicants. Please explicitly refer to SMEs, Large Companies, Universities, Facility/Research centres and others, if necessary.</i>	SMEs: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Large Companies: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO Universities: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO



	<p>Research/Facility centres: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Others / other comments:</p>
<p>'Internal cooperation' vs single application</p> <p><i>Can two (or more) organisations located in the region apply together in a cooperation project? I.e. a situation where e.g. two organisations located in the region would apply jointly (and submit a unique proposal), and in cooperation with organisation(s) from outside the region (such organisation would then of course apply in their own region).</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> YES, two organisations can apply jointly.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NO, each needs to submit a distinct proposal at regional level.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO, max. one organisation from the region is eligible per project.</p>
<p>Can actors outside of the region be financially supported by the instrument?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO</p>
<p>Conditions for 'international' partners – Type</p> <p><i>Please indicate any specific conditions associated to the partners (outside of the region) which can be part of the project (not financially supported/not eligible for funding in most of the case, unless answered 'YES' to the previous question).</i></p>	<p>International partners must sign a Partnership Agreement before the regional beneficiary can sign the financing contract.</p>
<p>Funding rates</p> <p><i>If different funding rates according to different types of funded partners, please indicate.</i></p>	<p>Aid intensity according to de minimis rules, maximum 90%.</p>
<p>TRLs covered</p> <p><i>Indicate the extent to which the following TRLs are covered or not: TRL6 (yes/no), TRL7 (yes/no) and TRL8 (yes/no).</i></p>	<p>TRL 6: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>TRL 7: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>TRL 8: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>
<p>Max./Min. project duration</p> <p><i>Indicate the maximum (and minimum if any) project duration (in months).</i></p>	<p>Max. 36 months.</p>
<p>Max./Min. amount grant/project cost</p> <p><i>Indicate the maximum (and minimum if any) total project costs and/or grant amount.</i></p>	<p>Min. 50k – max. 200k for regional grant.</p>
<p>Covered transitions (potentially!)</p>	<p>Smarter industry: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>



<p><i>In view of reflecting/mirroring the eligibility criteria of VInnovate call 2024, indicate the extent to which the instrument could potentially be activated to support solutions to one or several of the targeted transitions: 1) a smarter and/or 2) a more sustainable and/or 3) a more autonomous/less dependent industry.</i></p>	<p>More sustainable industry: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>More autonomous/less dependent industry:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO</p>
<p>Covered VI Pilots (potentially)</p> <p><i>In view of reflecting/mirroring the eligibility criteria of VInnovate call 2024, indicate the extent to which the instrument could potentially be activated to support solutions/projects in the following fields (i.e. the scope of the VI pilots): 1) New Nano-Enabled Products; 2) Bio-Economy; 3) Efficient Sustainable Manufacturing; 4) High-Performance Production through 3D Printing; 5) Advanced Manufacturing for Energy-related Applications in Harsh Environments; 6) Smart Health ; 7) Artificial Intelligence; 8) Hydrogen.</i></p>	<p>Nano: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Bio-economy: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>ESM: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>3DP: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>ADMA Ener: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Smart Health: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>AI: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Hydrogen: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>
<p>Covered activities</p> <p><i>In view of reflecting/mirroring the eligibility criteria of VInnovate call 2024, indicate the extent to which the following activities are eligible for funding: 1) Personnel costs (demonstration/R&D), 2) Personnel costs (coordination), 3) Subcontracting costs, 4) Purchase costs – Travel, 5) Purchase costs – Equipment.</i></p>	<p>Personnel costs (demonstration/R&D): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Personnel costs (coordination): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Subcontracting costs: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Purchase costs – travel: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Purchase costs – equipment: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Purchase costs – other goods, works and services: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Indirect costs/overheads: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Specific comments, if any: Indirect costs are 7%.</p>
<p>Other specific restrictions/conditions?</p>	<p>To be eligible for this call for projects, the funding applicant must:</p>



- be established as an enterprise according to Romanian Law 31/1990 and to have its registered office in the North-East region;
- not be in situations of exclusions by de minimis aid regulation;
- be active for a period corresponding to at least one full fiscal year, did not have the activity temporarily suspended at any time in the year of submitting the financing request and in the previous fiscal year, and recorded operating profit (>0 lei) in the fiscal year preceding the submission of the financing request;
- to have property rights or rights of use over the property/properties and other movable and/or immovable property necessary, as the case may be, which are the subject of the project;
- have a NACE code from division 72 (Research-Development) registered in the object of activity, regardless of whether it represents the main or secondary activity of the enterprise;
- have registered in the object of activity one or more NACE codes associate(d) to the area(s) of North-East smart specialization connected with the investment.

To be eligible for this call for projects, the project must:

- have an approved Project Fit Form in the Vinnovate call 2024;
- ensure min co-financing of 10% to the total eligible expenditures;
- target at least one of the smart specialization domains of the North-East Region;
- demonstrate minimum level of technological maturity 6 at the time of submitting the funding application;
- target specific activities for the development of a product or process related to TRL 6-TRL 8 stages;
- non reimbursable funding value of the project is between the following limits: minimum (50,000 EUR) and maximum (200,000 EUR);
- not include activities in sectors excluded from the scope of de minimis aid regulation;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - implementation period is between min. 24 months - max. 36 months; - respect the DNSH principle.
<p>Timeline for ‘regional’ proposals</p> <p><i>Beyond the ‘standard’ Vinnovate timeline (i.e. submission regional proposals theoretically possible between 20.05.2024 and 30.10.2024), is there any possible additional restriction to be taken into account? E.g. submission regional proposals only possible from e.g. 01.07.2024 onward?</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>If Yes, please specify here:</p> <p>The submission of the regional proposals will be possible from September 2024.</p>
<p>Description of requirements for ‘regional proposals’</p> <p><i>Where can possible applicants find information about the information expected to be provided at ‘regional proposal’ stage?</i></p>	<p>Please indicate here the website where such information is described:</p> <p>Information regarding the regional requirements will be available starting May 8th, 2024, on www.adrnordest.ro. Once the final regional guidelines are approved and published, the information will be available also on https://regionordest.ro/.</p>
<p>Contact person for ‘regional instrument’-related questions</p> <p><i>Who can be contacted by regional applicants in case of ‘regional-instrument’ specific questions?</i></p>	<p>Please indicate here an email address:</p> <p>info@adrnordest.ro</p>
<p>Interregional dimension-coverage in ‘regional proposal’</p> <p><i>When submitting the information requested at regional level (i.e. ‘regional proposal’) regional applicants will be asked to describe the entire ‘interregional’ project, including general description of activities from the partners from outside of the region. In addition, specific requirements will focus on the activities of the ‘regional actors’ exclusively.</i></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p><i>Comment, if needed:</i></p> <p>In order to comprehensively assess projects at the regional level, it is crucial to gain a holistic understanding of the project. Therefore, we request that applicants include a dedicated section in the project implementation plan that focuses on the interregional dimension. Applicants should also address the evaluation criteria outlined in the evaluation grid, that will enable evaluators to effectively assess the project's interregional dimension and its alignment with the program's objectives.</p>