



# Investment in the Trading and Processing of Agricultural Products

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### Areas of intervention



Promoting the expansion and renovation of the agro-industrial productive structure;



Preserving and improving the environment, ensuring the compatibility of investments with environmental and occupational health and safety standards.

### Location

Mainland Portugal.

### Minimum and maximum investment

Minimum - € 200 000.

Maximum - € 4 000 000.

### Funding Rate

- Non-repayable grant up to a maximum of EUR 3 million in support per beneficiary;
- Reimbursable grant for the part exceeding the above mentioned amount;
- **The levels of support to be granted, per beneficiary, are the following:**

#### Base rate

- Less developed regions - 30%.
- Other regions - 20%.

#### Bonuses

- Projects promoted by Producer Organisations or Groupings - 10%.

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Investments to be carried out by Producer Organisations or Groupings as part of a merger - 10%  
Other regions - 20%

Investments to be carried out by Producer

- Organisations or Groups within the scope of a merger - 20%;
- Operations within the scope of the EIP - 5%.

### ■ Maximum rate

Less developed regions - 45%.  
Other regions - 35%.

## Eligible Entities

Beneficiaries of this support are all natural or legal persons legally constituted on the date of application, engaged in the processing or marketing of agricultural products.

## Eligible costs

### ■ Expenses related to construction and improvement of immovable property, namely:

- a) Fencing and land preparation;
- b) Buildings and other constructions directly linked to the activities to be developed;
- c) Adaptation of existing facilities related to the investment.

### ■ Purchase or lease-purchase of real estate, namely:

- a) New machinery and equipment, including computer equipment;
- b) Internal transportation equipment, cargo handling equipment, and boxes and pallets with a life span of over one year;
- c) Isothermal boxes, cold storage units and transport tanks, as well as external means of transport, when the latter are used exclusively for milk collection and transport to the processing units;

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- d) Social equipment required by law;
  - e) Automation of equipment already existing in the unit;
  - f) Equipment that is not directly productive, namely, equipment for the recovery of by-products and waste intended for production, energy recovery and quality control equipment.
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- **General expenses, namely in the field of energy efficiency and renewable energies, application software, industrial property, diagnostics, audits, marketing and branding plans and feasibility studies, follow-up, architectural and engineering projects associated to the investments, up to 5% of the approved eligible cost of the remaining expenses.**

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