

Funding source	EU Support to Ukraine to Re-launch the Economy (EU SURE)
Targeted countries	Ukraine
Programme objectives	<p>EU SURE (EUR 95 million) is part of the EUR 110 package of EU Special Measures for Ukraine 2015 approved in April 2015. This is complemented by a Technical Cooperation Facility worth EUR 15 million to provide advice on legal approximation with the EU, capacity building and infrastructural support in priority areas covered by the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement.</p> <p>EU SURE will cover at least 15 regions across Ukraine. Targeted economic sectors will depend on the economic profile of the region and activities should aim but not be limited to the following key sectors: agriculture, innovation, improvement of provision of public services and infrastructures, energy efficiency and green economy.</p>
Programme description	<p>EU SURE will support the development of the SMEs across the Ukrainian regions and contribute to the re-launch of the Ukrainian economy to create growth and employment. This also includes the areas affected by conflict and neighbouring regions actively participating in the re-integration of internally displaced persons (IDPs).</p> <p>At a national level EU SURE will provide technical assistance and policy advice to complete the ongoing SMEs deregulation and the national and regional economic development strategies, and to create a web info portal for SMEs; it will also include a contribution to the participation of Ukraine in EU programmes related to private sector development (Horizon 2020).</p> <p>At regional level EU SURE will provide business advice and entrepreneurial skills for SMEs, through a network of Business Support Centers (BSC) run in cooperation with EBRD. The BSC will help improve the competitiveness of the SME sector by connecting local small businesses to a network of local consultants and international industry experts. Business advice will be tailored according to the size of the company and the complexity of the challenges. BSC will also advise SMEs on how to access to financing and how to adapt to and benefit from the establishment of the DCFTA between the EU and Ukraine.</p>
Website and additional links	http://euukrainecoop.com/2015/05/09/eusure/
Status	Scheduled on 2016 – 2020
Overall budget	EUR 95 million (EU total funding, including a loan guarantee facility worth EUR 40 million)
Contact	EU Delegation in Ukraine
Who can candidate?	MEDT, SMEs and business support organizations
What are the requirements for applying?	This is going to be defined ToR of separate Calls
Type of activity funded Research, trials, ...	Technical assistance and policy advice, creation Business Support Centers
Link with ICT	Indirect
Other useful information	Implementers: International Technical Assistance, EBRD, EIB