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GENERAL PROGRAMMES

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YOUR RESEARCH PROJECT

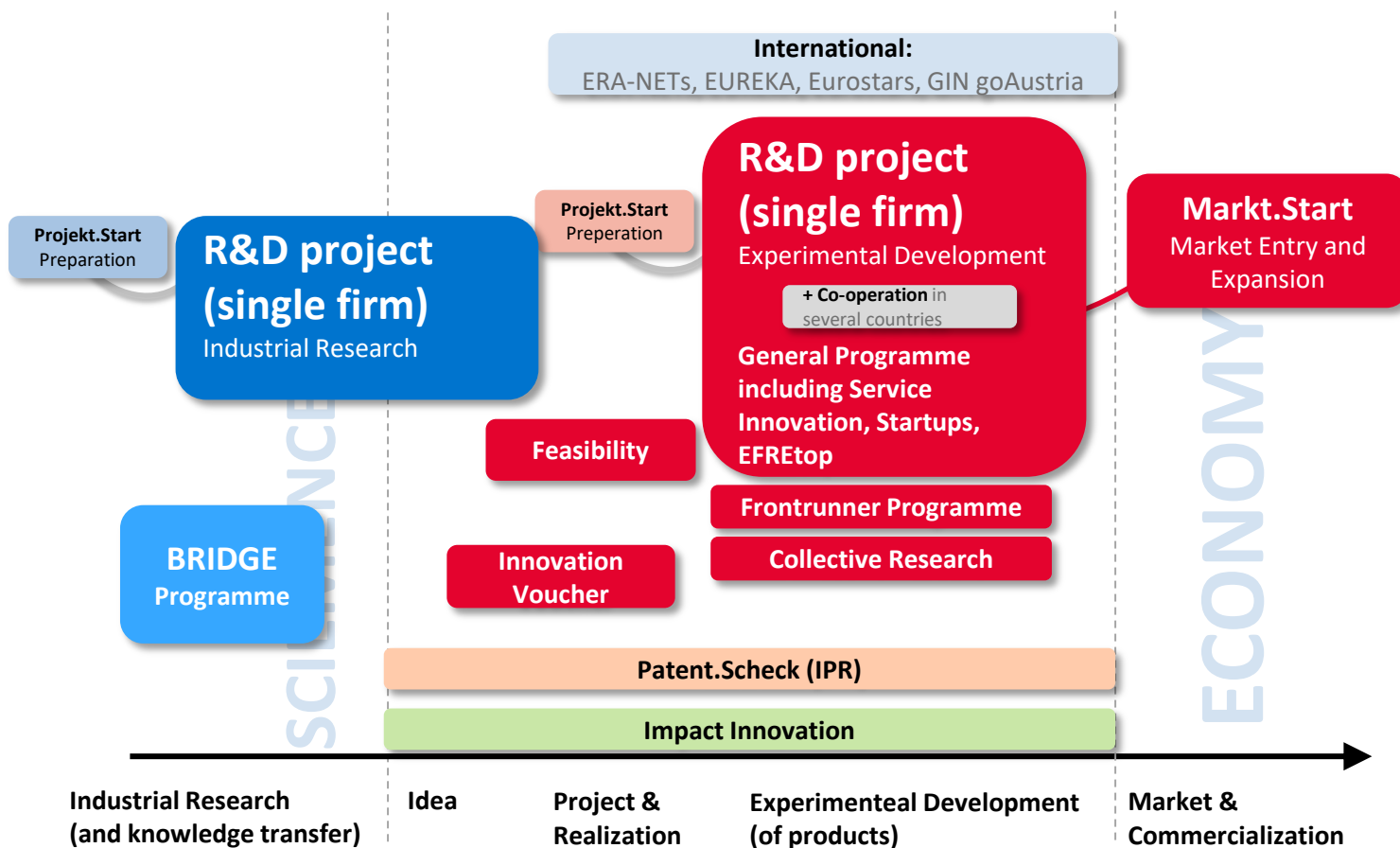
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION

via <https://eureka-clusters-ai.eu/submission-portal/>

NATIONAL APPLICATION

via <https://ecall.ffg.at/Cockpit/Cockpit.aspx>

- AT: FFG Basisprogramme – general programmes
- AT: only companies (of all sizes) can be funded (scientific partners in subcontracting)





GENERAL PROGRAMME – EXPERIMENTAL DEVELOPMENT

Features: Promotion of product, process and service developments (R&D single firm project)

- all projects are analysed and assessed in terms of the technical and economic aspects for funding
- **technical funding criteria** include in particular the degree of innovation and the technical challenge of the planned project
- **economic assessment** focuses on the commercialization potential and the applicant's economic performance

www.ffg.at/en/programme/general-programme

EVALUATION

- **internal evaluation** by one technical/scientific evaluator and one commercial/economic evaluator
- funding is awarded solely on the basis of an evaluation of the project's quality and call guidelines
- funding depends on whether the project meets the technical and economic evaluation criteria
- projects with a concrete chance of being able to exploit the results of the project commercially
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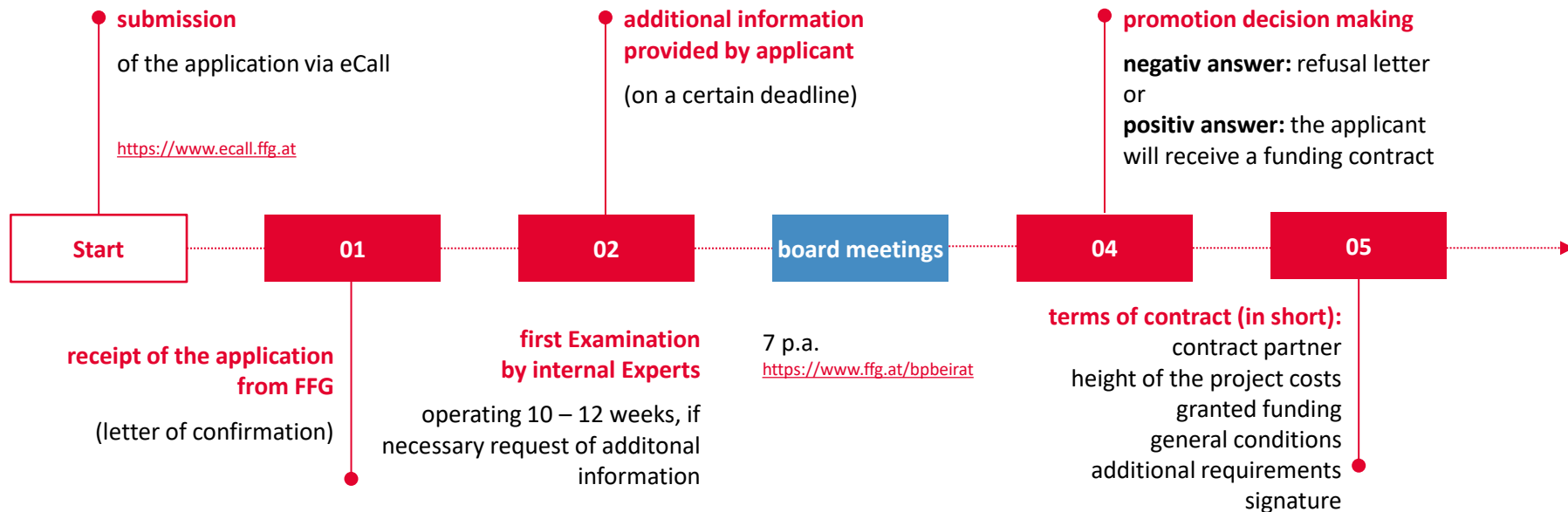
DECISION MAKING

- discussion of all project evaluations and recommendations during an internal meeting of General Programmes
- decision about funding or rejection of a project through regular board meetings (7 p.a.)
- funding depends on whether the project meets the technical/scientific and economic evaluation criteria

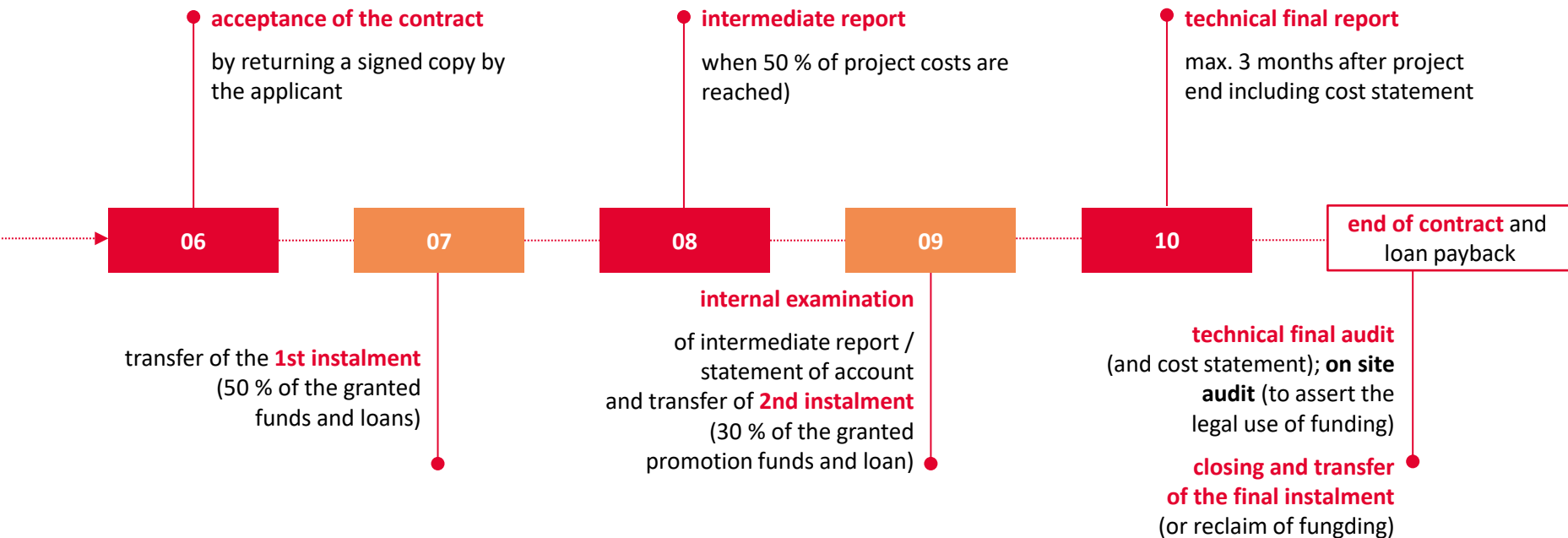
CRITERIA – PROJECT SCORING SYSTEM

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| Technical quality | Novelty and innovation | R&D-risk | Partial value results | Ecological soundness |
| Commercial exploitation | Market potential | Market experience | Capability to commercialize R&D | |
| Feasibility | Technical | Financial | Management and company organisation | |
| Relevance to the programme | Additionality on the project level | Additionality on company level (gain of know-how, R&D-dynamic) | Macro-economic effects | Social aspects |

APPLICATION – CONTRACT



MONITORING – END OF CONTRACT



GENERAL FINANCING MODEL

- the proportion of grant is related to the size of the firm (small firm – higher grant; SE up to 60%, ME: up to 50%, LE: up to 40%)
- research related investment and patents are mainly funded by loans
- research facilities can only be subcontracted by enterprises

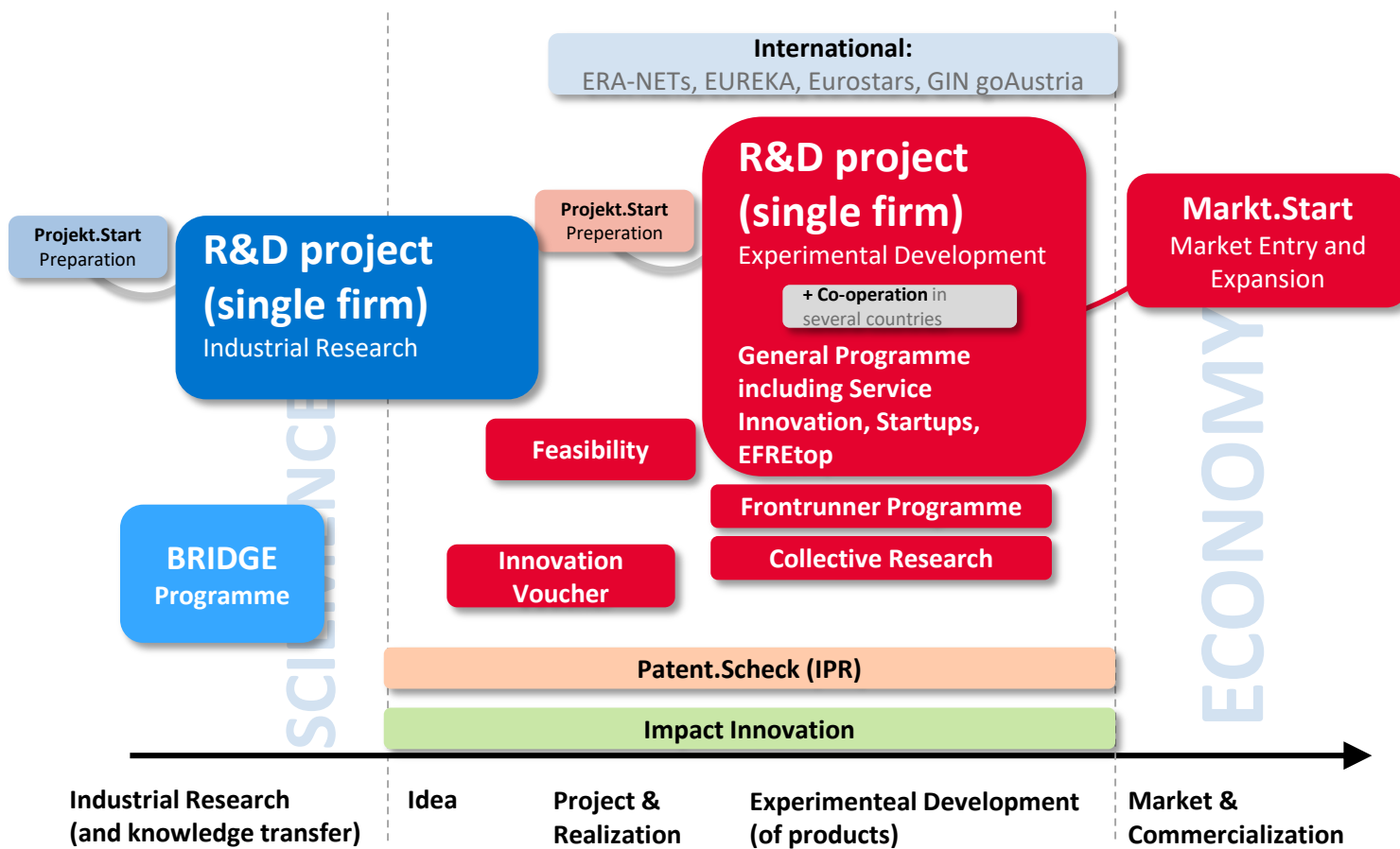
PROJECT COSTS

- **25 % overhead costs** for all types of companies on all relevant project costs for the development of products, processes and services (including prototypes)
 - personnel costs
 - costs for using research infrastructure
 - material costs
 - other costs (e.g. travel costs, patent application costs)
 - **except** costs for third party services (e.g. research institutes)



How to present your R&D plans to the FFG?

- precise project description, task schedule and costs projection
- cost-benefit calculation, project size and achievement of objectives have to be realistic
- financing capability for funding quota up to max. **60 % for small companies, 50 % for medium-sized companies and 40 % for large enterprises**
- co-operation possibilities (e.g. with science)





PROJEKT.START

Features: attractive funding instrument for start-ups and SME to get support for preparation work for a concrete research project

- definition of project aims
- assessment of the state of the art and literature and patent research and technical risks
- execution of well-founded market and competitor analyses
- preparation of the project organization and project partners and cost plan with obtainment of offers

<https://www.ffg.at/en/projektstart>

FUNDING FOR PREPERATION EXPENSES

- costs max. € 10.000,- (min. 60 % personell costs, third-party costs, travel costs)
- funding max. € 6.000,- grants (funding intensity 60 %)
- 1 per year and company
- submission of an application is possible at any time - swift approval processes
- terms of duration: max. 6 months – R&D work has to be startet (single firm project)

PROJEKT.START FOR SME

Projekt.Start
Preperation

R&D project

Experimental
Development

Projekt.Start
Preperation

R&D project

Industrial Research

FUNDING INFORMATION

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| EUREKA | www.ffg.at/eureka |
| EUREKA Calls | <p><u>Deadline 15.5.2020: Solutions for COVID-19 Echo Period – Life without a vaccine:</u> Austria, Canada, Denmark, France, Spain, Turkey.</p> <p><u>Deadline 30.6.2020: Advanced Materials:</u> South Korea, Austria, Belgium (Flanders and Wallonia), Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Malta, Spain, UK, Turkey.</p> <p><u>Deadline 30.6.2020: Globalstars multilateral call with India:</u> Austria, Belgium (Flanders), Finland, France, the Netherlands, Sweden and Switzerland</p> <p><u>Deadline 5.8.2020: Multilateral call on healthy ageing:</u> Austria, Belgium (Flanders and Wallonia), France, Luxembourg, Malta, Spain, Turkey, UK.</p> |
| Eurostars | www.ffg.at/eurostars next and last Cut off Date 3.9.2020 |

YOUR TRANSNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECT

BALANCED CONSORTIUM:

- **WORK-LOAD**
- **RESEARCH** (technical risk on both sides)
- **EXPLOITATION** (company growth on both sides)

PARTNER COMMITMENT

- application procedure & national rules
 - investment
 - collaboration

NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

tax payers money should be invested to the benefit of national economy

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH!



SME Definition

- < 250 employees
- < € 50 mill. Euro revenue (turnover)
- < € 43 mill. Euro balance sheet total

further:

≤ 25 % of (shareholders) capital

no holdings of companies which don't meet with the
SME Definition

http://rp7.ffg.at/upload/medialibrary/sme_definition_leaflet_en.pdf