





Ministry of Universities, Industry and Innovation

Tax deduction for **R&D** projects in Iceland

Introduction



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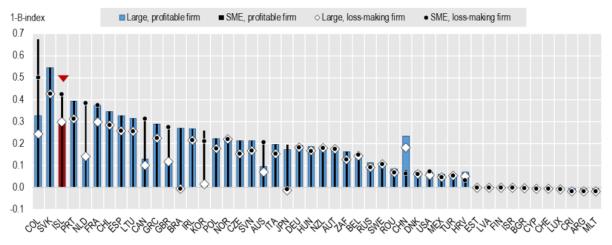
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Generosity of R&D tax support in 2021

Differences in the design of R&D tax incentives drive significant variation in the expected generosity of tax relief per additional unit of R&D investment. In 2021, the marginal tax subsidy rate for profit-making (loss-making) SMEs in **Iceland** is estimated at 0.42 (0.42), well above the OECD median of 0.20 (0.18). The implied R&D tax subsidy rate for large enterprises is equal to 0.3 (0.3) in the profit (loss)-making scenario and likewise well above the OECD median of 0.17 (0.15).

Figure 1. Implied tax subsidy rates on R&D expenditures: Iceland, 2021





Note: Implied marginal tax subsidy rates, presented for different firm size and profitability scenarios, are calculated based on headline tax credit/allowance rates (see methodology and country-specific notes), providing an upper bound value of the generosity of R&D tax support, not reflecting the effect of thresholds and ceilings that may limit the amount of qualifying R&D expenditure or value of tax relief. Source: OECD, R&D Tax Incentives Database, http://oe.cd/rdtax, December 2021.





The objective

To promote research and development and to improve the competitive conditions of innovative enterprises by granting them the right to tax deductions for the cost of innovative projects.

For whom?

Companies that are owners* of research or development projects.

- Universities and institutions are not considered companies within the meaning of this Act.
- Companies that have financial problems fall outside the scope of this Act.
- * Owners of intellectual property rights resulting from the project.
 Subsidiaries that are liable to tax in Iceland enjoy the same rights even if intellectual property rights are registered with the parent company (confirmed by FJR Nov 2020)

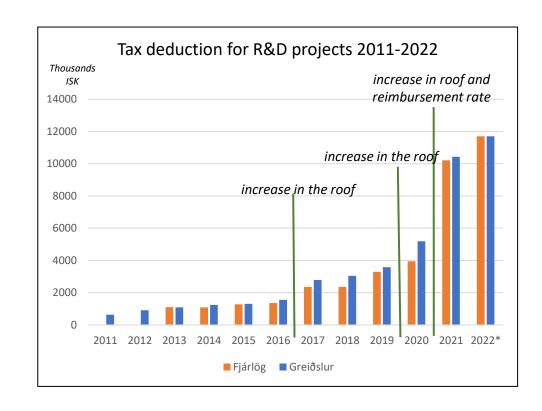
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Reimbursement rate and maximum cost level 2022

- In May 2020, Althingi the Icelandic Parliament passed a provision for Covid-19 that a 35% reimbursement rate on eligible costs up to a maximum of mISK 1,100 in the case of SMEs, but 25% in the case of large enterprises in the due years 2021 and 2022 (based on operating years 2020 and 2021).
- Althingi extended this provisions on 15 June 2022 with the amendment that the maximum cost for calculating deductions from the levied income tax in 2023 shall be a total of mISK 1,000, of which that amount up to mISK 200 may be counted for purchased research or development work pursuant to Article 6 of the Act.
- Althingi again extended the provisions in December 2022 with the change that the maximum cost for calculating deductions from imposed income tax in 2024 and 2025 (do to projects in 2023 and 2024) shall again be mISK 1,100.



Note! the bold red values are in effect today.



Definition of the term "enterprise" (company)

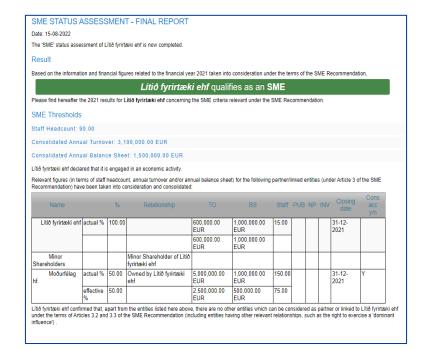


Roof is 1,100 mISK. valid for the group as a whole, if other companies within the same corporate group apply for tax deduction r&d-projects.

- The Ministry of Finance has requested Rannís to reassert applicants in connection with Act No. 152/2009 that: Two or more legal entities may be considered one business entity with respect to the application of state aid rules, and in this case, the business unit is considered the "enterprise" (company) to be considered. The assessment of whether legal entities are connected in this way is subject to issues such as controlling holdings and other operational, financial and organizational ties as specified in the annex to GBER referred to in the Act.
- It is not enough to look at the operational form of a party as it would otherwise be decided by point 3. Article 3 of the Act, which refers to the Income Tax Act, i.e., Points 1 and 3. Article 2(1) of that Act. The state aid system applies its support to European law as provided for in the legal documents of the Act and referred to in Article 15(1) of the GDPR. The concept of a company will be in accordance with being interpreted as an economic unit when assessing the maximum amounts.
- See in this regard also guidelines from the European Commission on the provision of aid based on GBER:
- "In accordance with the case law, an undertaking is defined as a single economic entity having a common source of control. Therefore, if the group acts as a single economic unit, it shall be considered as one undertaking and the economic situation of all the legal persons part of the group shall be considered when granting aid under the GBER."



The concept of a small and medium-sized enterprise (SME)



- According to Act No. 152/2009, the size of companies can affect various assumptions regarding tax deductions for research and development costs. It is therefore important that the undertakings are properly registered in this classification in accordance with the EU/ESA definitions on which the laws in question are based. In this regard, it affects whether the company is part of a larger group or not. Incorrect registration can cause unnecessary inconvenience and back billing if you need to change it after the mark-up is in place.
- In order to remove any doubt and misconceptions about the company's size classification, Rannís proposes that applicants go through self-assessment/calculations to verify the correct size classification of the company. The correct definition and procedures for verification of the size of the company can be obtained on the below web links, if there is doubt that the company is classified as small, medium-sized or large.
- Sjá: https://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/SME-Wizard/smeq.do;SME_SESSION_ID=-Htf6IFHqwMX519fzXKtjEx3JRfLJ3dMCQISrxAqTDal-1hgk2ON!245382482?execution=e1s1

- It is also worth studying the EU/ESA definition of SME on the EU website.
- https://ec.europa.eu/docsroom/documents/42921/attachments/1/translations/
- If your self-assessment leads you to believe that the company is still falling into the category of SMEs, Rannís requests that you submit your self-assessment/calculation result as an attachment to section 2.2 of the application for verification, along with confirmation by the company's auditor.
- If you conclude that the company classification needs to be changed to "large", it is enough that you change the application to Rannís application system, without further explanation.







The concepts of research and development have the following meanings*:

Research: Structured research or important observations aimed at promoting new knowledge and skills in developing new products, processes or services or leading to significant improvements to existing products, processes or services. They involve the creation of components in complex systems and may include the construction of prototypes in laboratory environments or environments with UI simulations of existing systems and also experimental projects, when necessary for research purposes and in particular due to general verification of technology.

Development: The acquisition, consolidation, formulation and use of existing scientific, technical, commercial and other practical knowledge and skills for the purpose of developing new or improved products, processes or services. This may include activities aimed at defining an idea, planning and documenting of new products, processes or services. Developments may include the design of a prototype, the type of sample version, the implementation of a pilot project, testing and verifying new or improved products, processes or services in an environment characteristic of actual processing conditions where the primary objective is to make further technical improvements to unfulfilled products, processes or services. This may also be the development of a marketable prototype or pilot project, when such a prototype is inevitably the final market product as the production of it is too costly to be used solely for promotion and to verify its properties.





^{*} Regulation <u>nr. 758/2011</u>, support for innovative companies

Cost of activities that are inherently part of the general operation of undertakings is not deductable - including following:





- a. Normal or periodic changes to goods, services, production lines, production processes, existing services or other ongoing operations, even if such changes may result in improvements.
- b. Improvements and changes in a company's products, services or production processes, in the absence of the development of new knowledge, new skills or the utilization of existing knowledge in new ways.
- c. Training and rehabilitation.
- d. Marketing activities and marked research
- e. Installation or adaptation of purchased equipment and devices.
- f. Set up a production process.
- g. Acquisition, construction or renovation of real estate, vehicles, ships or aircraft.
- h. Mapping or searching for mines, natural resources or similar, except in the case of the development of new or better methods or technologies.
- i. Funding of collaborative projects without the active participation of all partners in the project.
- j. Supervision, quality evaluation and certification of the current production and supply of goods and services.
- k. Obtaining and protecting patents.
- l. Pursuant to the EEA Agreement, it is not permissible to support (subsidize) contractual r&d projects paid by a particular buyer, (thus considered the owner of the project).





Greinargerö um skattfrädrätt s.s. Signa um studenny viri ryskloyamelyritatis Figular und studenny viri ryskloyamelyrit

Two step process



- Companies apply for confirmation of a research or development project to **Rannís**.
- Companies that receive confirmation of research or development projects are entitled to deduct income tax.





 Companies account for the costs of a tax report to RSK (RSK 4.21) and the auditor must confirm the settlement.



• If the levied income tax is lower than the determined deduction, or a legal entity is not determined income tax, the deduction is paid out.

You need to apply for each project individually!



Project approvement

Rannís determines whether a project will be confirmed pursuant to this Act:

The condition for a project to be confirmed is that it constitutes a research or development project under this Act:

- 1. The project is an R&D project.
- 2. An idea that a value-added product/service and business plan are well defined.
- 3. Data shows that at least ISK 1 million will be spent on research and development over a 12-month period.
- 4. Employees have training, education or experience in the field on which an idea for value-added goods or services is based.







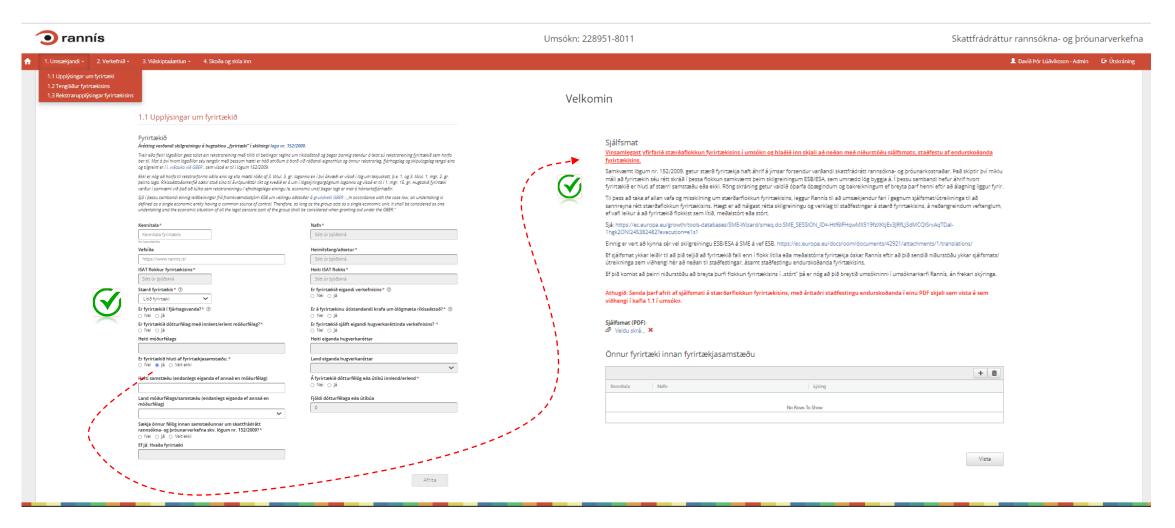
- ✓ New applications until October 1st. each year
- ✓ Continuation project until April 1st. each year
- ✓ Note! You can apply for a continuation project in the form of a new project up to and including 1 October.



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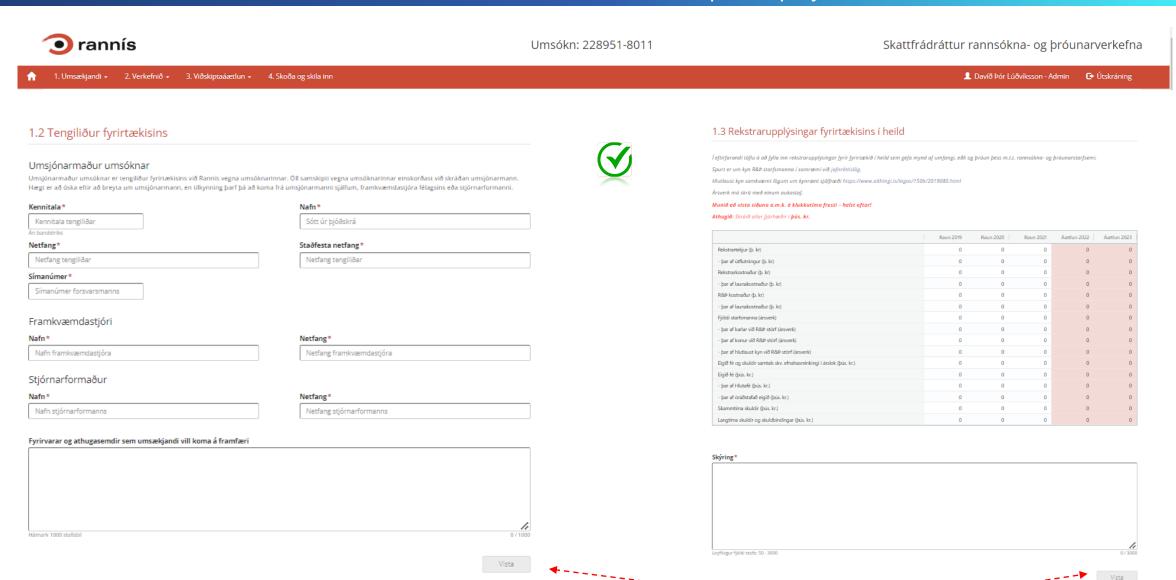


Application form



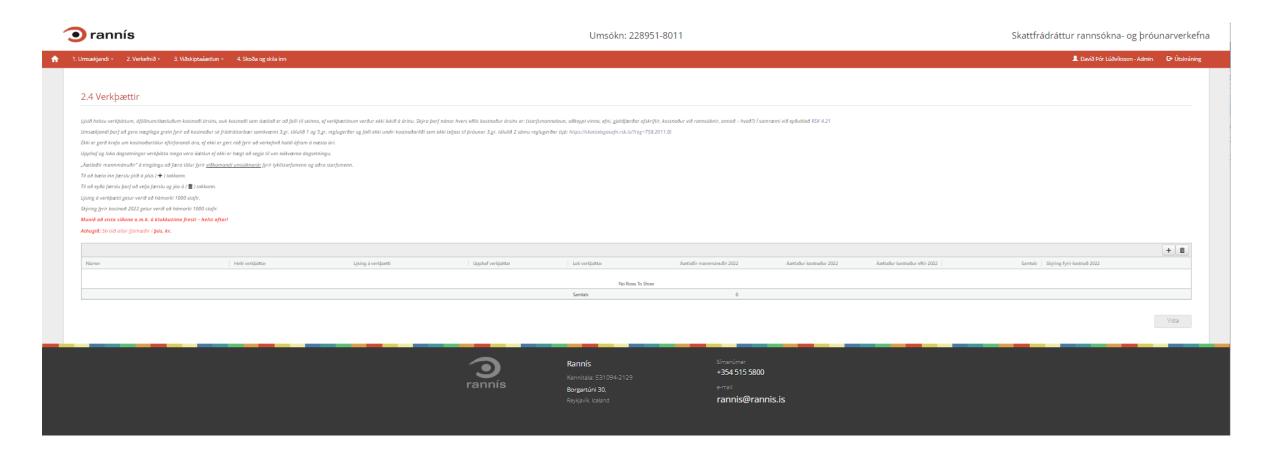


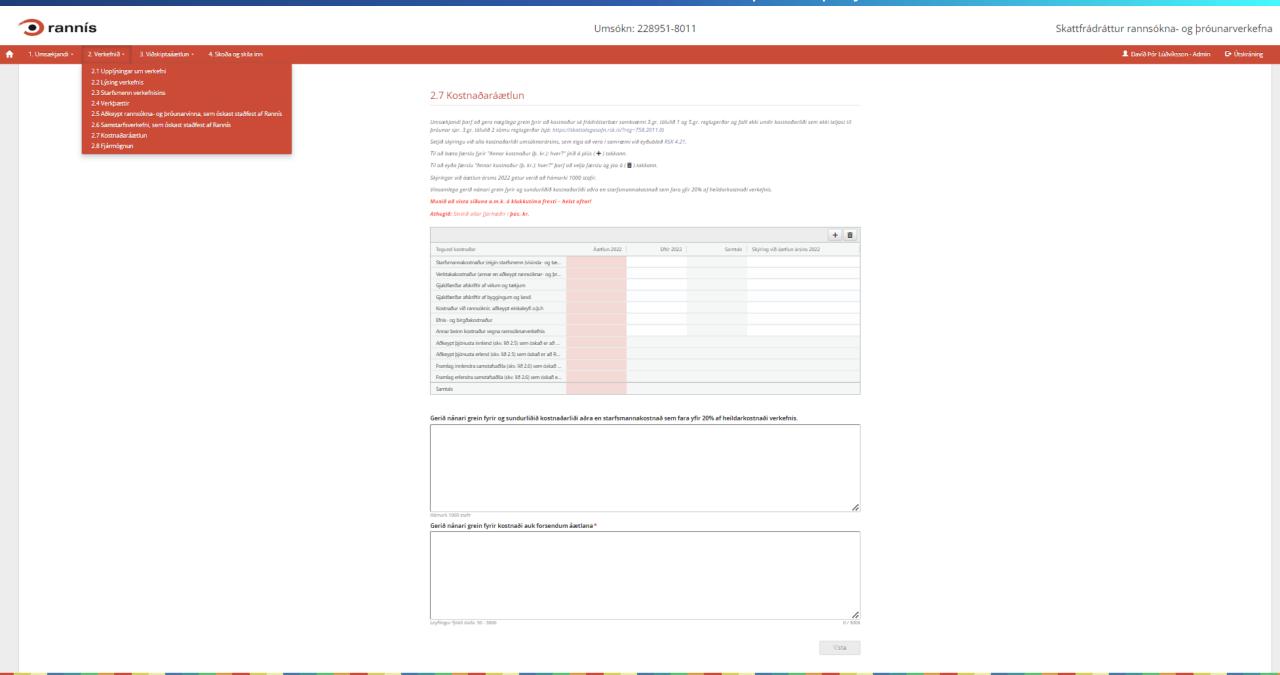






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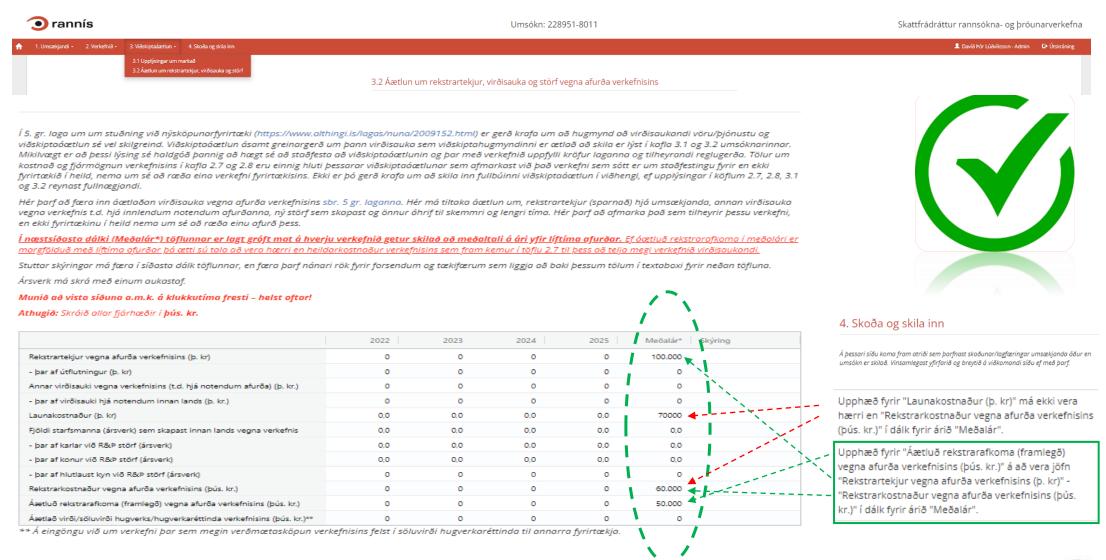
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Skattfrádráttur rannsókna- og þróunarverkefna

1. Umsækjandi - 2. Verkefnið - 3. Viðskiptaáætlun - 4. Skoða og skila inn L Davíð Þór Lúðvíksson - Admin 🕒 Útskráning 2.1 Upplýsingar um verkefni 2.2 Lýsing verkefnis 2.3 Starfsmenn verkefnisins 2.7 Kostnaðaráætlun Skatturinn Greinargerð um skattfrádrátt 2.5 Aðkeypt rannsókna- og þróunarvinna, sem óskast staðfest af Rannís skv. lögum um stuðning við nýsköpunarfyrirtæki Umsækjandi þarf að gera nægilega grein fyrir að kostnaður sé frádráttarbær samkvæmt 3.gr. tölulið 1 og 5.gr. reglugerðar og falli ékki undir kostnaðarliði sem ekki teljast til 2.6 Samstarfsverkefni, sem óskast staðfest af Rannís Fylgiskjal með skattframtali rekstraraðila 2021 RSK 1.04 þróunar spr. 3.gr. tölulið 2 sömu reglugerðar (sjá: https://skattalagasafn.rsk.is/?reg=758.2011.0) 2.7 Kostnaðaráætlun Setjið skýringu við alla kostnaðarliði umsóknarársins, sem eiga að vera í samræmi við eyðublað RSK 4.21. Til að bæta færslu fyrir "Annar kostnaður (þ. kr.): hver?" ýtið á plús (+) takkann. Til að eyða færslu "Annar kostnaður (þ. kr.): hver?" þarf að velja færslu og ýta á (🛅) takkann. Skýringar við áætlun ársins 2022 getur verið að hámarki 1000 stafir. Heiti verkefnis skv. umsökn til Rannis Nr. verkefnis hjá Rannis Vinsamlega gerið nánari grein fyrir og sundurliðið kostnaðarliði aðra en starfsmannakostnað sem fara yfir 20% af heildarkostnaði verkefnis. Próunarverkefni Rannsóknarverkefni Tegund verkefnis Munið að vista síðuna a.m.k. á klukkutíma fresti - helst oftar! Lítið Meðalstórt Skilgreiningar á stærð fyrirtækja er að finna á bakhlið. Stærð fyrirtækis Athugið: Skráið allar fjárhæðir í þús. kr. Niðurstöðum verður dreift með birtingu í vísinda- eða tækniritum, á ráðstefnum, gegnum opin gagnasöfn eða í gegnum ókeypis eða opinn hugbúnað. Opinber birting á rannsóknarverkefni + 🛅 Framteljandi skal á þessu eyðublaði Athugiðt Jafnframt tilgreina heildarkostnað við verkefnið. skal skila RSK 4.22. Samstarfsverkefni Tegund kostnaðar Áætlun 2022 Eftir 2022 Samtals Skýring við áætlun ársins 2022 Gjaldfærður styrkhæfur kostnaður skv. framtali (sbr. og greinargerð til Rannís) Starfsmannakostnaður (eigin starfsmenn (visinda- og tæ... Starfsmannakostnaður (eigin starfsmenn (vísinda- og tæknimenn)) Verktakakostnaður (annar en aðkeypt rannsóknar- og þr... Verktakakostnaður (annar en aðkeypt rannsóknar- og þróunarvinna skv. staðfestingu Rannis) Gjaldfærðar afskriftir af vélum og tækjum The breakdown of costs in the Gjaldfærðar afskriftir af byggingum og landi Gjaldfærðar afskriftir af vélum og tækjum application is in accordance with form Kostnaður við rannsóknir, aðkeypt einkaleyfi o.þ.h Gialdfærðar afskriftir af byggingum og landi Efnis- og birgðakostnaður Kostnaður við rannsóknir, aðkeypt einkaleyfi o.þ.h. **RSK 4.21** Annar beinn kostnaður vegna rannsóknarverkefnis Efnis- og birgðakostnaður Aðkeypt þjónusta innlend (skv. lið 2.5) sem óskað er að .. Aðkeypt þjónusta erlend (skv. lið 2.5) sem óskað er að R. Annar beinn kostnaður vegna rannsóknarverkefnis Framlag innlendra samstafsaðila (skv. lið 2.6) sem óskað . Annañ, hvañ? Framlag erlendra samstafsaðila (skv. lið 2.6) sem óskað e.. Annañ Iwañ? Aðkeypt rannsóknar- og þróunarvinna, sem staðfest hefur verið af Rannís Gerið nánari grein fyrir og sundurliðið kostnaðarliði aðra en starfsmannakostnað sem fara yfir 20% af heildarkostnaði verkefnis. Hvað vinna var keypt? Nafn og kennitala selianda Hvað vinna var kevot? Samtals Fengnir opinberir styrkir Nafn og kennitala greiðanda Gerið nánari grein fyrir kostnaði auk forsendum áætlana* Nafn og kennitala greiðanda Framhald á bakhlið RSK 4.21 10-000 Leyfilegur fjöldi stafa: 50 - 3000



Idea for the value-added product/service and business plan is well defined - Article 5. Act no. 152/2009.







Check failures- in good time!!



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Skattfrádráttur rannsókna- og þróunarverkefna

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 Útskráning

4. Skoða og skila inn

Á þessari síðu koma fram atriði sem þarfnast skoðunar/lagfæringar umsækjanda áður en umsókn er skilað. Vinsamlegast yfirfarið og breytið á viðkomandi síðu ef með þarf.

Heildar áætlaður kostnaður og fjármögnun 2022

| Kostnaður samtals | 0 þús. kr. |
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| Fjármögnun samtals | 0 þús. kr. |
| Eftirstöðvar samtals | 0 bús. kr. |

Villur

Eftirfarandi atriði þarfnast lagfæringar:

| - Síða 1.1 | Svæðið "Kennitala" má ekki vera tómt. |
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| - Síða 1.1 | Svæðið "Nafn" má ekki vera tómt. |

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Heimilsfang/aðsetur" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "ISAT flokkur fyrirtækisins" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Heiti ISAT flokks" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Er fyrirtækið í fjárhagsvanda?" má ekki vera tómt. - Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Er fyrirtækið dótturfélag með innlent/erlent móðurfélag?" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Er fyrirtækið hluti af fyrirtækjasamstæðu." má ekki vera tómt.

- síða 1.1 Svæðið "Sækja önnur félög innan samstæðunnar um skattfrádrátt rannsókna- og þróunarverkefna skv. lögum nr. 152/2009?" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Er á fyrirtækinu útistandandi krafa um ólögmæta ríkisaðstoð?" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Er fyrirtækið eigandi verkefnisins" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Er fyrirtækið sjálft eigandi hugverkaréttinda verkefnisins? " má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Á fyrirtækið dótturfélög eða útibú innlend/erlend" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Stærð fyrirtækis" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Heiti eiganda hugverkaréttar" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.1 Svæðið "Land eiganda hugverkaréttar" má ekki vera tómt.

- Síða 1.2 Svæðið "Kennitala" má ekki vera tómt.

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- Síða 1.2 Svæðið "Símanúmer" má ekki vera tómt.

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- Síða 1.3 Svæðið "Skýring" má ekki vera tómt.



| Síða 2.1 | Svæðið "Yfirflokkur verkefnis" má ekki vera tómt. |
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| - Síða 2.1 | Svæðið "Undirflokkur verkefnis" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 2.1 | Svæðið "Verða niðurstöður birtar í opnum aðgangi?" má ekki vera tómt. |
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| - Síða 2.1 | Svæðið "Starfsheiti" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 2.1 | Svæðið "Tegund verkefnis" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 2.2 | Svæðið "Lýsið í hnotskurn þeirri virðisaukandi vöru/þjónustu (afurð verkefnisins) sem verið er að þróa" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 2.2 | Svæðið "Lýsið rannsókna- og þróunarþætti verkefnisins í hnotskurn " má ekki vera tómt. |
| | Svæðið "Lýsið verkefninu í heild" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 2.2 | Svæðið "Lýsið stöðu þekkingar (e: State of the Art) á Íslandi og erlendis á þeim sviðum er verkefnið nær til" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 2.3 | Svæðið "Er reynsla og menntun til staðar innan fyrirtæksins til að vinna að þróunarverkefnins? Útskýrið. Ef reynslu eða menntun á einhverjum þróunarverkefnisins er ábótævant hvernig hefur/hyggat fyrirækið bregðast við því?" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 2.4 | Áætlaður heildarkostnaður fyrir árið 2022 er minni en 1.000 þús. kr. |
| - Síða 2.7 | Áætlaður heildarkostnaður fyrir árið 2022 er 0 kr. |
| - Síða 2.7 | Heildarkostnaður fyrir árið 2022 er enginn eða neikvæður. |
| - Síða 2.7 | Svæðið "Gerið nánari grein fyrir kostnaði auk forsendum áætlana" má ekki vera tómt. |
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| - Síða 2.8 | Svæðið "Skýring við áætlun ársins 2022" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 3.1 | Svæðið "Lýsið tækifærum og markaðslegri þörf fyrir afurðina" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 3.1 | Svæðið "Hvaða samkeppnisforskot veitir þróunarvinnan á markaði?" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 3.2 | Upphæð fyrir "Launakostnaður (þ. kr)" má ekki vera hærri en "Rekstrarkostnaður vegna afurða verkefnisins (þús. kr.)" í dálk fyrir árið "Meðalár" |
| - Síða 3.2 | Upphæð fyrir "Áæstuð rekstrarafkoma (framlegð) vegna afurða verkefnisins (þús. kr.)" á að vera jöfn "Rekstrartekjur vegna afurða verkefnisins (- "Rekstrarkostnaður vegna afurða verkefnisins (þús. kr.)" í dálk fyrir árið "Meðalár". |
| - Síða 3.2 | Svæðið "Skýring/forsenda varðandi áætlaðan líftíma afurðar verkefnisins" má ekki vera tómt. |
| - Síða 3.2 | Svæðilð "Gerið grein fyrir áædaðri verðmætasköpun. Lýsið hvenær er gert ráð fyrir að afurð fari á markað og gerið grein fyrir veltumarkmiðum 3-5 árin" má ekki vera tómt. |
| | Svæðið "Skýrið áætlun nánar og þær forsendir sem hún byggir á" má ekki vera tómt. |
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Tax deduction for research and development

Target group

Companies that own research or development projects. Universities and institutions are not considered companies within the meaning of this program.

Objectives

Companies that have received Rannís confirmation of research or development projects are entitled to a deduction from income tax according to Art. Act no. 152/2009 at . If the income tax levied is lower than the determined deduction, or the legal entity does not pay income tax, the deduction is paid out.

Deadline

✓ Opið fyrir umsóknir: Innskráning □ Leiðbeininga

- Application deadline for new projects: October 3 2022 at 15:00.
- Application for continuation: Projects that have already received a confirmation from Rannis must submit an application for continuation in the spring. Deadline for continuing applications is 1st April each year.

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What are the objectives?

The aim is to strengthen research and development work and improve the competitive conditions of innovative companies by giving them the right to a tax deduction for the cost of innovative projects.



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Education Research Fund

EEA/Norway Grants

Euraxess

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Gender Equality Fund

Geothermica

HM Queen Margrethe II's and Vigdís Finnbogadóttir's Interdisciplinary Research Centre on Ocean, Climate and

Society

Horizon 2020

Language Technology Fund

Icelandic Research Fund

Icelandic Student Innovation

Fund

Independent Scholars' Salary

Fund

Infrastructure Fund

What is funded?

A condition for a project to be approved (and thereby be able to take advantage of a tax deduction) is that it meets the legal definition [□] of a research or development project and:

- 1. The idea of a value-added product / service and business plan is well defined.
- 2. At least 1 million ISK is dedicated to research and development over a period of 12 months.
- 3. The employees have training, education or experience in the field on which the idea of a valueadded product or service is based.

Further information on confirmation conditions and regulations:

Research and development (legal definition 10): A specific and purposeful project that is intended to acquire new knowledge or new skills considered to be beneficial to the company due to the development of a new or better product, service or production method (Short version, see also more detailed definition (3).

References to related EU/EEA regulations in English:

- COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 ^{EI}
- Document 02014R0651-20200727 ¹²

How to apply?

Applications are submitted for projects in Rannís' application system . In the case of co-operation project (shared ownership) application must include Co-operation agreement between the

New applications must be submitted by 1st October each year, and if a project is ongoing between years the company must apply for continuation of approved status 1st April following initial

The role of Rannis - Processing of applications

Rannís shall, within two months of receipt of a valid application, decide on its processing and notify the applicant of the result. For an application to be considered valid, all necessary and requested information must be available. Each project must be applied for separately.

If the project is confirmed. Rannis notifies the applicant of the result, in addition to notifying the office of the Iceland Revenue and Customs (RSK.is) of the companies that are involved in the projects that have received Rannís confirmation. Collaborative projects shall be accounted for separately and all participants will be informed.

The RSK keeps a record of the approved projects and makes a list of these projects accessible to

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Preparatory Grants

Research Fund of Sigrún Ástrós Sigurðardóttir and Haraldur Sigurðsson

Strategic Research and Development Programme for Social Challenges - SCDP-SC

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Technology Development Fund

The Doctoral student fund of the Ministry for Environment and Natural Resources

The Strategic Research and Development Programme for Language Technology

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References to related EU/EEA regulations in English:

> - COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 of with references to amendments 2017 & 2020

https://en.rannis.is/funding/research/tax-deduction-for-research-and-development https://www.rannis.is/sjodir/atvinnulif/skattfradrattur/



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RSK also have tax deductions for stock options





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For the company

- A share capital increase in a company can amount to a maximum of ISK 2,000 million. If a company is part of a group of companies, the maximum reaches the group.
- The company does not have more than 25 employees work for the company and its annual turnover is less than ISK 650 million and/or balance sheet is less than ISK 650 million. If a company is part of a group of companies, the group shall be targeted based on the consolidated financial statements.
- The Company demonstrates that the value of the share capital increase will be allocated in the interests of its business activities. If the Company has not commenced trading activities, a minimum of 30% of the value shall be used for research or development.

For the private investor.

- Deductions can amount to up to 50% of investment in capital increase in share capital increase in companies that have been confirmed. However, the deduction can amount to up to **75**% of investment in capital increase in the calendar years 2020 through 2024.
- Deductions are calculated from the income tax base and/or capital gains tax base.
- The maximum allowance for investment is ISK 10,000,000 for an individual. The
 maximum deduction is ISK 5,000,000 per person (double for married couples). In the
 calendar years 2020 through 2024 (mark-up years 2021 to 2025), however, the deduction
 allowance is a maximum of ISK 15,000,000 for an individual and a maximum deduction
 of ISK 11,250,000 (double for married couples).





Thank you!



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