

INCENTIVES PROGRAM TO PROMOTE SUPRAREGIONAL HEADQUARTERS PROJECTS

Beneficiaries and type of projects: companies carrying out the following type of projects:

-setting up in Catalonia of supraregional decision centres,

-and the increasing of the number of already set supraregional headquarters activities, creating at least 10 new jobs, including transfers of new business responsibilities to these headquarters.

These are decision or responsibility centres in some area or department of the company (R&D, Human Resources, Administration & finances, etc.), in an area beyond Catalonia.

Eligible Expenses:

- ✓ Acquisition of assets and equipment directly related to the investment, except for land.
- ✓ Subcontracting of relocation works.
- ✓ Subcontracting of engineering studies.
- ✓ Subcontracting of sectoral and/or market research carried out to evaluate the transfer or set-up decision.
- ✓ Additional training expenses related to the strategic content of the activities being subsidized, up to 20% of the total eligible cost accepted.
- ✓ Other indirect expenses related to the strategic content of the activities being subsidized, up to 20% of the total eligible cost accepted.

Maximum aid amounts: the program grants direct subsidies up to 200.000€ (*) The maximum aid amount of the subsidy may reach the 60% of the eligible expenses.

Period for submitting applications: from 1 to 28 April 2008 and from 1 to 28 July 2008.

Program managed by the Catalonia Investment Agency.