EEA and Norway Grants – relevant Calls for Proposals related to circular economy
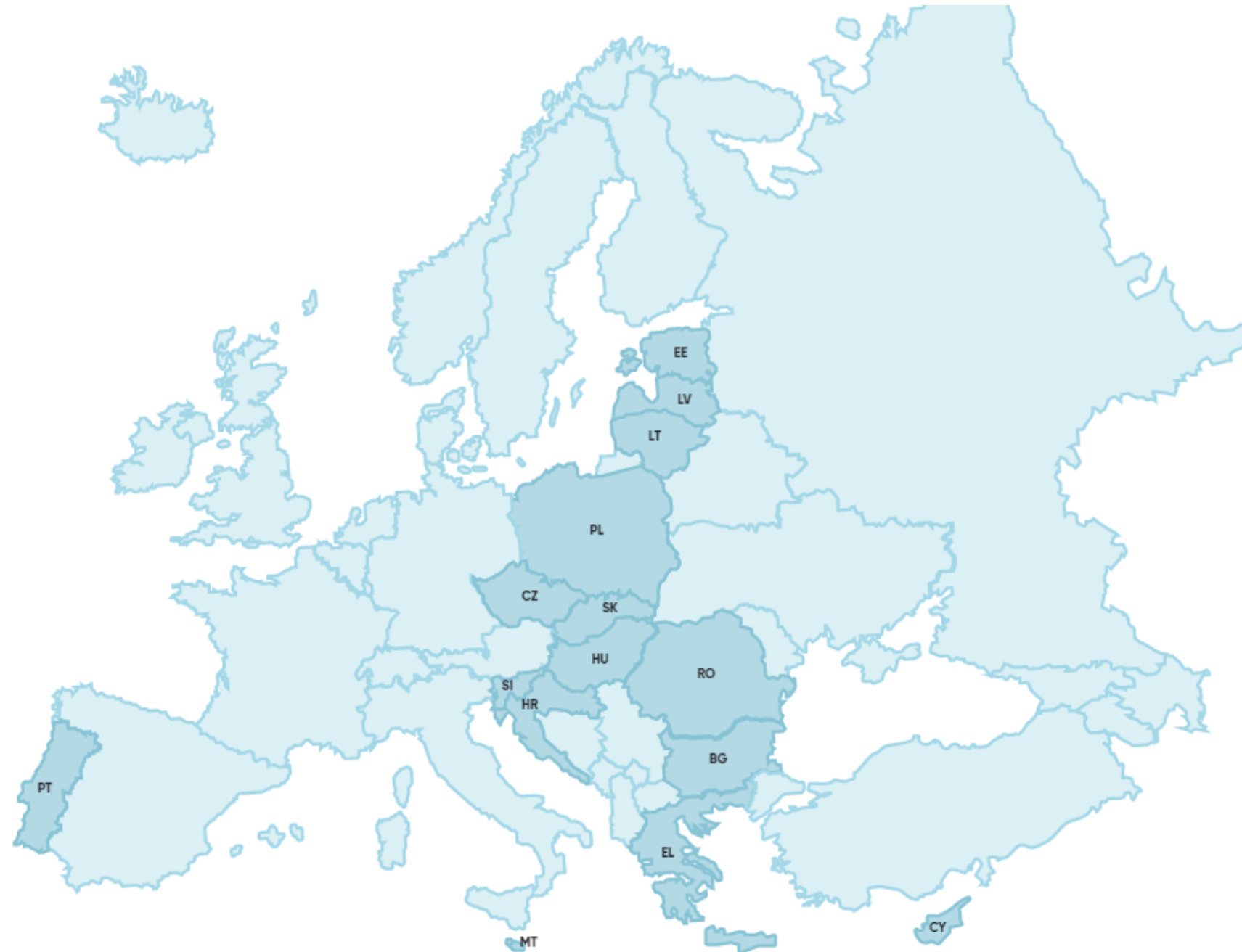
Magnar Ødelien, Programme Director, Innovation Norway

Objectives of the EEA and Norway Grants

- Contributing to reducing economic and social disparities in the European Economic Area

- Strengthening relations between Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and the beneficiary countries

- 2017-2024: 2.8 billion EUR to programmes in 15 countries

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Which countries?

- Bulgaria (BG)
- Croatia (HR)
- Estonia (EE)
- Greece (EL)
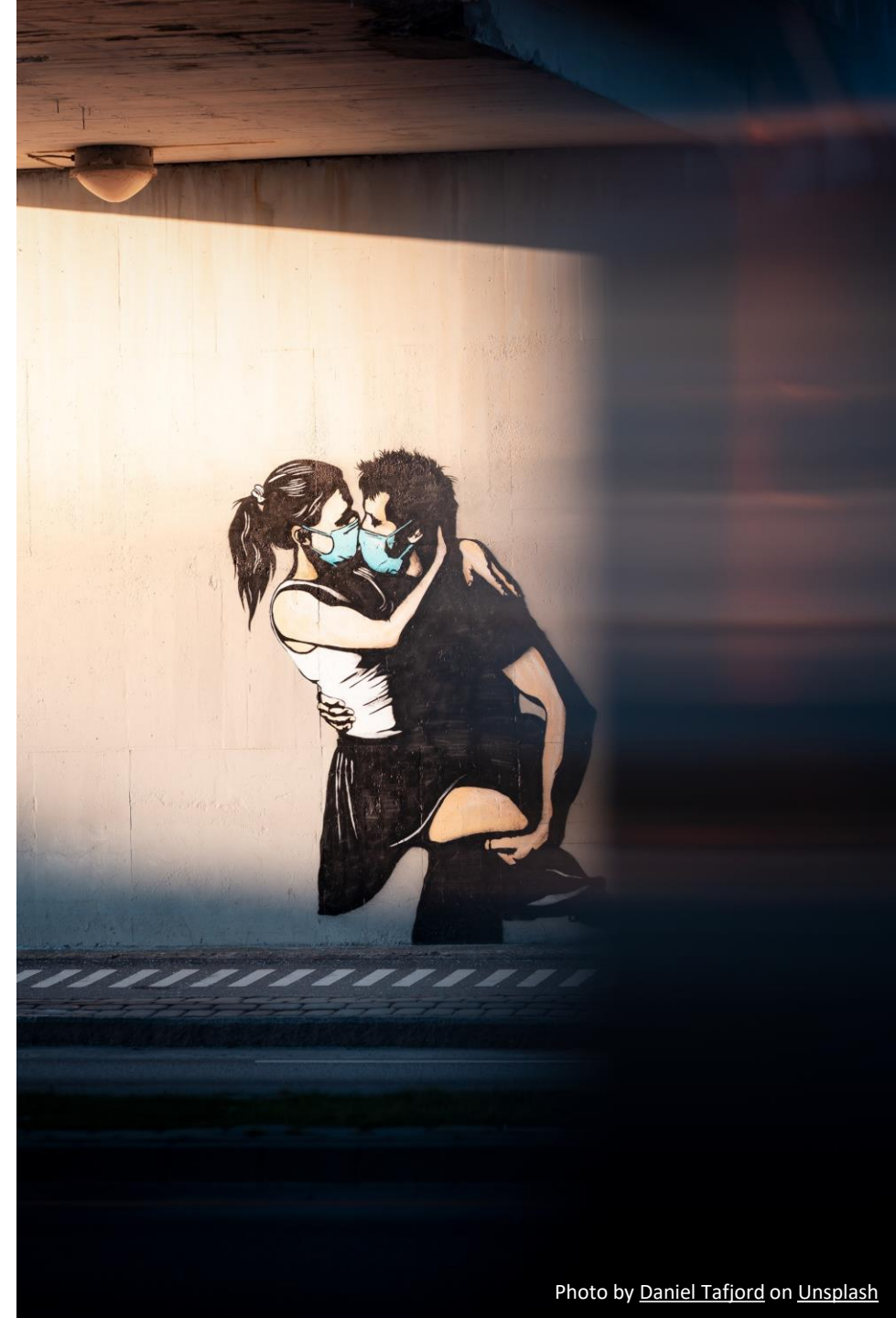- Latvia (LV)
- Lithuania (LT)
- Poland (PL)
- Portugal (PT)
- Romania (RO)
- Slovakia (SK)

«These times»

- The objectives of the programmes remain unchanged: Increased value creation and sustainable growth.

- Physical events currently suspended

- Deadlines of current calls have been extended

- New calls will be open for a longer period

- **Digital first: the partner search continues!**

Green Industry Innovation - Currently open Calls

Romania, SME Growth Programme: € 11.066.666
Deadline: September 17th, 2020.

Bulgaria, Business Programme: € 10.061.000
Deadline: September 30th, 2020.

Lithuania, Business Development, Inovation and SMEs: € 9.017.647
Deadline: November 6th, 2020.

Croatia, Business Development and innovation: € 10.064.148
 Deadline: November 15th, 2020.

Green Industry Innovation – other upcoming calls

- Greece (second call)

- Slovakia

- Latvia

Possible additional calls:

- Poland

- Estonia

Who can apply?

- SMEs and large enterprises with no more than 25 % public ownership

- established as legal persons in the Beneficiary State

- Normally at least 3 years of operation at the date of the deadline
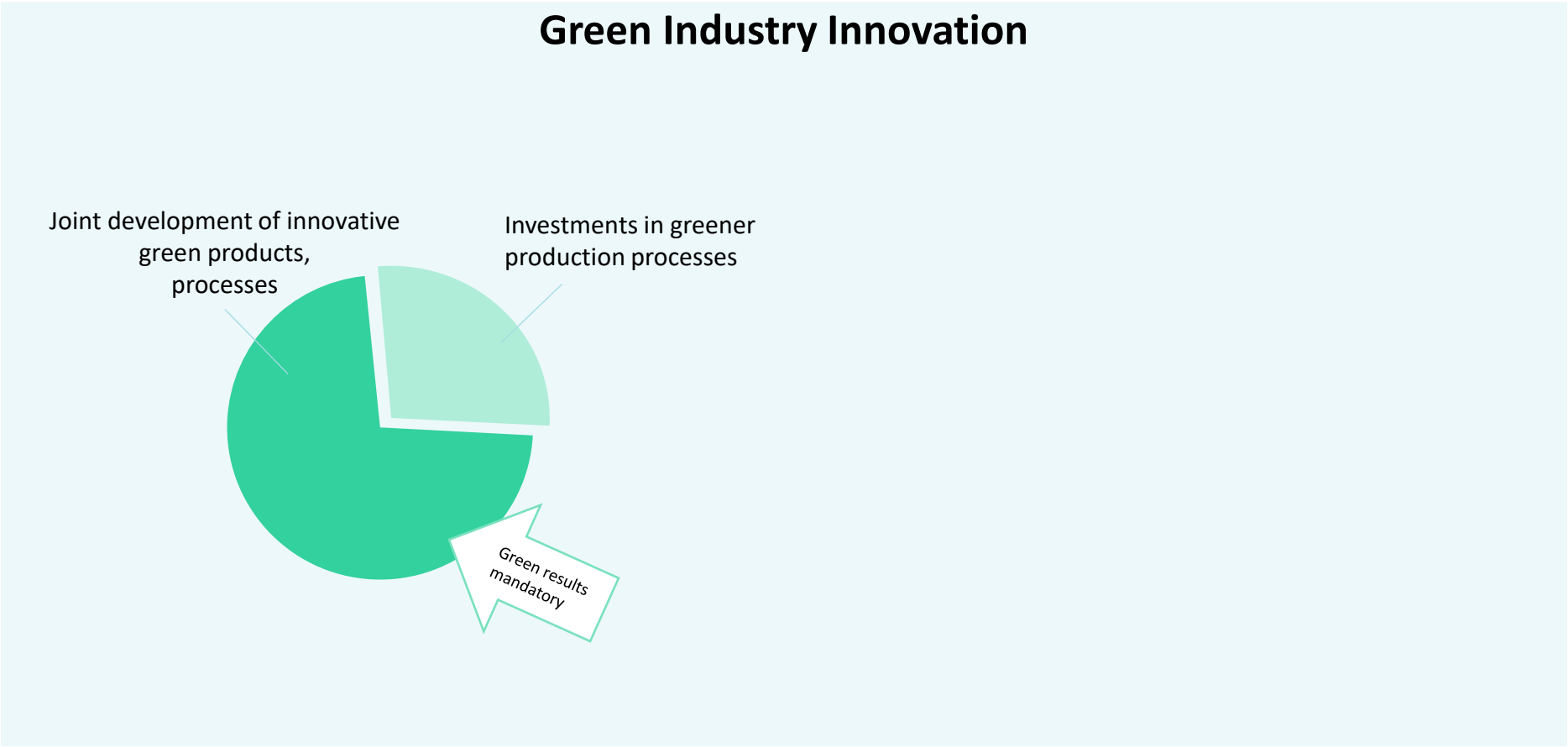
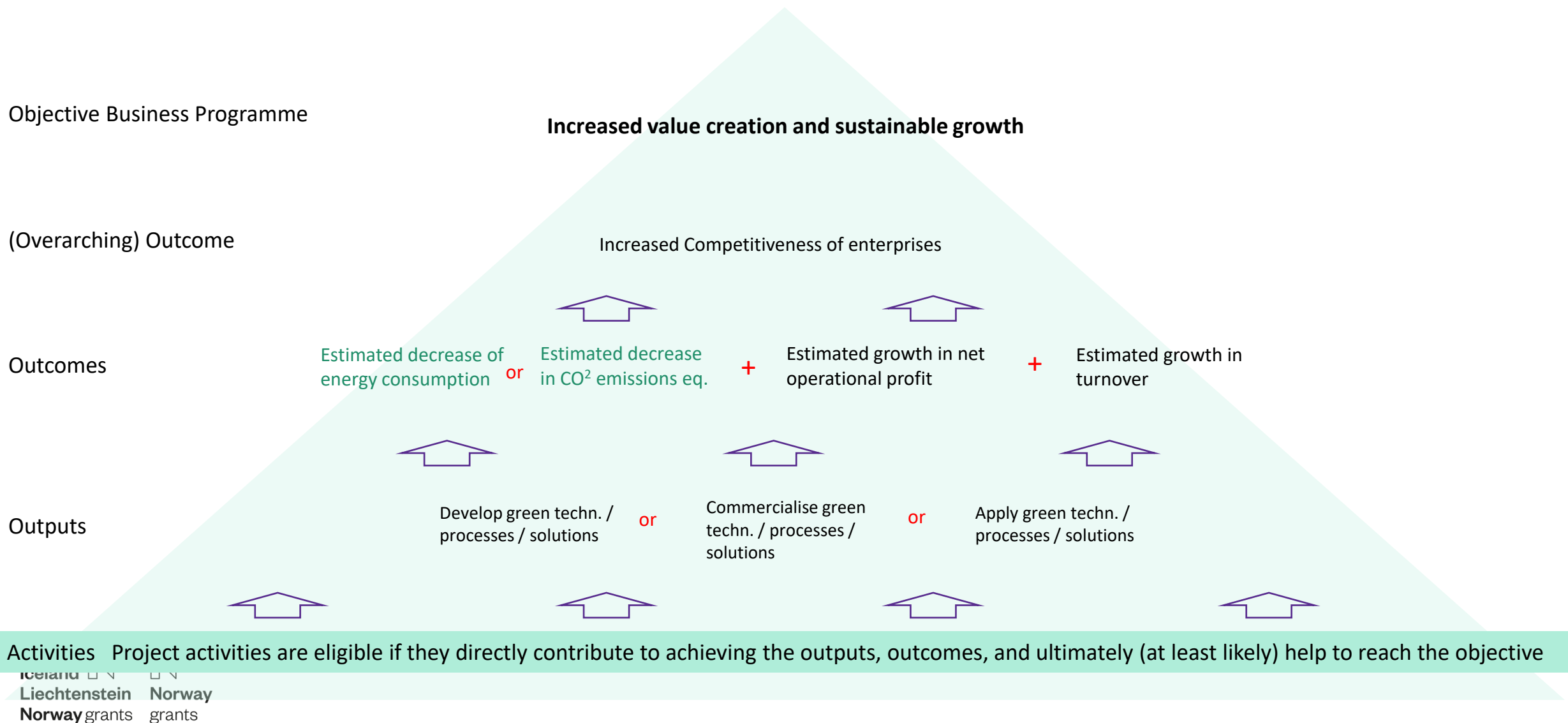# Who can become project partner?

- Entities registered in Norway and the beneficiary state (Norway Grants) and Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and the beneficiary state (EEA Grants)

- Partners can be private sector, research institutes, universities, NGOs, public institutions

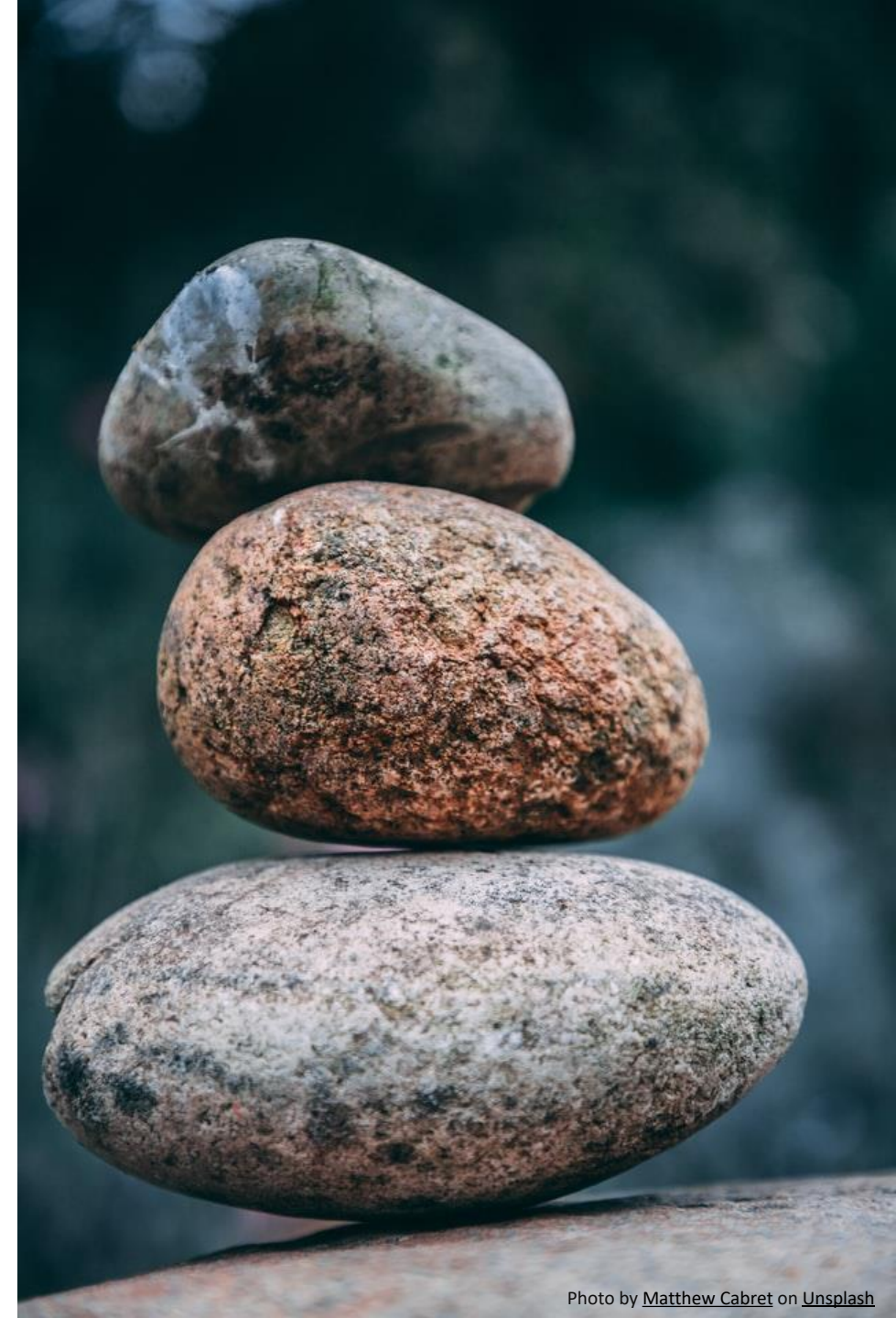# Eligibility Check against indicators

Objective Business Programme

Increased value creation and sustainable growth

(Overarching) Outcome

Increased Competitiveness of enterprises

Outcomes

Estimated decrease of energy consumption *or* Estimated decrease in CO_2 emissions eq. **+** Estimated growth in net operational profit **+** Estimated growth in turnover

Outputs

Develop green techn. / processes / solutions *or* Commercialise green techn. / processes / solutions *or* Apply green techn. / processes / solutions

Activities   Project activities are eligible if they directly contribute to achieving the outputs, outcomes, and ultimately (at least likely) help to reach the objective

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Three things to dig into

- State Aid / General Block Exemption Regulation, Articles used by the programme

  - **Regional Aid: Articles 13 and 14**
  - Check grant intensity of Regional investment on regional maps per country.
  - Aid to SMEs: Articles 17 – 19
  - **Research and Development and Innovation: Article 25 - Experimental development**
  - Innovation aid for SMEs: Article 28
  - Aid for environmental protection: Articles 36 - 38

- Does your company have the **financial** ability to carry out the project?

- Are you contributing to mandatory outputs, outcomes and, ultimately, to the objective?

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GENERAL PROGRAMME RULES

- Normally 50 % of funding - to **Green Industry Innovation** area

- 75% of the funding aimed to be allocated to **SMEs** (large private enterprises not excluded)

- **Grant rate**: in line with the provisions of the applicable State Aid Regulations (General Block Exemption Regulation – GBER)

- **Selection of projects** - open calls and competition

Stokke AS – Collaboration within Production

Production of Furniture in Romania

- The «Tripp-trapp» Chair is being produced in Romania, but the quality was inconsistent

- The Romanian producer invested into a new more environmentally friendly laquering line

- Stokke contributed with the specification of equipment needed, calibrating the machines

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Kongsberg Terotech, NTNU – R&D collaboration - Monitoring of industrial machines

5%	Reduced energy consumption
2.5%	Increased machine availability
10%	Reduced consumption of cutting fluid
2.5%	Reduced wasted materials
12%	Reduced number of maintenance
50%	Reduced consumption of

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Calls for Proposals

Related Sites

Overview All Programmes

Overview Business
Programmes

A series of calls is being launched under EEA and Norway Grants 2014-2021. You can also apply for travel support to meet potential partners and develop your ideas for projects.

Bulgaria

Apply for Travel Support

Call for Proposals - Business Development, Innovation and SMEs, GII focus area. **New extended deadline:** September 30th, 2020.

Croatia - Business Programme

Apply for Travel Support

Lithuania - Business Programme

Apply for Travel Support

Poland - Business Programme

Call for Proposals on Business Development, Innovation and SMEs. Opening: January 7th, deadline: May 14th, 2020.

Call for Proposals - Green Industry Innovation, deadline: May 14th, 2020.

Call for Proposals - Blue Growth, deadline: May 14th, 2020.

Call for Proposals - Welfare Technologies, deadline: May 14th, 2020.

Call for Proposals - Small Grants Schemes for Female Enteprises, deadline May 14th, 2020.

Portugal - Blue Growth Programme

Calls for Proposals - Initiatives for business growth in Startups. **New extended deadline: June 30th, 2020.**

Portugal - Environment Programme

Call for Proposals -Small Grants Scheme #3 - Projects to strengthen climate change adaptation at local level, deadline April 30th, 2020.

Call for Proposals - Projects to 'Enhance sustainable development in Biosphere Reserves', deadline: May 15th, 2020.

Call for Proposals - Implementation of pilot projects of living labs for decarbonisation and climate change mitigation, deadline: June 1st, 2020.

Romania - Business Programme

Apply for Travel Support

Call for Proposals - SMEs Growth, 2nd Call. **New extended deadline:** September 17th 2020.

www.innovasjonnorge.no/eea-norway-grants

The Explorer

The Explorer is **Norway's** official marketplace for green technology.

Available

Cloud-based solutions for environmental documentation

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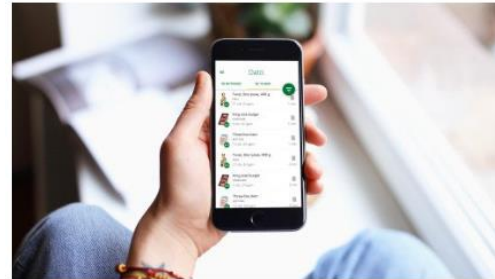
LCA.no's online tools enable organisations to assess, document and improve the environmental impact of their products and services.

Available

Digital inventories and 3D printing revolutionise spare parts supply

Fieldmade AS

Using additive manufacturing, Fieldmade is quickly becoming a game-changer in the spare parts supply chain. It reduces the need for warehousing and global shipping in the energy sector.

App for preventing food waste in grocery stores
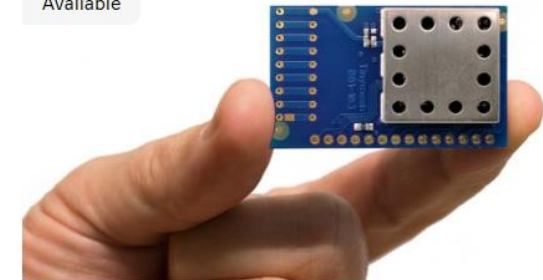
Dato AS

Dato helps to reduce food waste with an app that displays expiring products in grocery stores. Dato is currently under development and is yet to be commercially tested.

Available

Making wireless connectivity easy, scalable and affordable

Tiny Mesh AS

Tinymesh provides a wireless solution for intelligent data capture and device control for smart meters, smart streetlighting and other smart city applications, as well as for the Industrial Internet of Things.

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Travel Support

- Objective: Facilitate bilateral partnerships with the intent to <u>prepare joint project applications</u> for upcoming call(s) under this Programme;

- Travel grant: Typically **EUR 1.200**

- **Approval from Fund Operator required before** travel;

- Simplified application procedure / first come – first served;

- Guidelines and Application via Programme web-site