

Small Business Programme

The SME programme has the objective of ensuring that all sector development policies incorporates the development, growth and investment measures with regards to maximising small business contribution to the total economy.

Objectives

- Lowering the barriers to entry to stimulate the participation and growth of small business across all sectors of the economy
- Increasing the supply of entrepreneurial talent and opening opportunities to stimulate start-ups
- Providing support to existing small businesses and micro-enterprises in particular, taking into account the specific factors that underline the difficulties and weaknesses that limit their growth
- Tailoring delivery and support mechanisms to the differentiated requirements of small business.
- Providing an effective and localized supply infrastructure

Initiatives

- Crosscutting and sectoral initiatives
- Review and introduction of small business specific incentives
- Coordination across government
- Legislative amendments
- Consolidate mentorship support
- Improve access to finance/capital
- Improve access to information and advice
- Increase access to private and public sector and export markets
- Promote entrepreneurship (women, youth)
- Expand business infrastructure and localised support infrastructure

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Related Offerings

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SMME`s with assets not more than R 2 million Small and Medium Enterprise Development Programme - Available to local and foreign firms investing not more than R 100 million in land, buildings, plant and equipment in new projects or expansion of existing projects

- [What Incentive Schemes are available for Small Business?](#)

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- [What is the process for obtaining bridging finance from Khula?](#)

Answer:

Khula does not offer bridging finance but offers financial assistance through Retail Financial Intermediaries . With banks they provide Credit Guarantee of up to 80% not exceeding R600 000. For more information Khula can be contacted on +27 (12) 394 5900

- [Does dti provide assistance in drawing up business plans?](#)

Answer:

Yes through the (SEDA) Small Enterprise Developing Agency +27 (12) 441 1000, as well as through Khula's Mentorship offices +27 (12) 394 5900

- [What training does dti provide?](#)

Answer:

SEDA provide training through a network of service providers +27 (12) 441 1000

- [How do I apply for incentives?](#)

Answer:

For information and application on incentives, contact **the dti** Customer Contact Centre: 0861 843 384

- [How and where do I register my business? How much does it cost to register a business?](#)

Answer:

All companies must be registered with the Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office (CIPRO) at **the dti**. Contact **the dti** Contact Centre on 0861 84 3384 for more information

- [What assistance does dti provide with government related tenders?](#)

Answer:

Through SEDA's entrepreneurs are assisted with regards to tenders. Contact SEDA at +27 (12) 441 1000

- [Does dti provide any financial support to entrepreneurs?](#)

Answer:

Yes. The following development finance institutions:

Khula tel: (012) 394 5900

NEF tel: (011) 305 8000

SAMAF tel: (012) 394 1796/ 394 1805

IDC tel: (011) 269 3888

ECIC tel: (012) 394 3510

- [What financial support does dti offer towards buying a franchise?](#)

Answer:

Through Khula's Credit Guarantee Scheme and IDC's Pro franchising Scheme as well as NEF, entrepreneurs are assisted with their identified Franchising opportunities:

Khula tel: +27 (12) 394 5900

NEF tel: +27 (12) 305 8000

IDC tel: +27 (11) 269 3888/ 0861 843384