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Factsheet for case **BE-2020-12/423**

Brussels: one-off grant for closed businesses

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| Country | Belgium, applies regionally – BE1 RÉGION DE BRUXELLES-CAPITALE/BRUSSELS HOOFDSTEDELIJK GEWEST |
| Time period | Temporary, 18 March 2020 - 18 May 2020 |
| Type | Legislation or other statutory regulation |
| Category | Supporting businesses to stay afloat – Direct or indirect financial support |
| Case created | 09 April 2020 (updated 10 April 2020) |

Background Information

As is the case in the Walloon and Flemish regions, the capital region of Brussels also has an additional one off grant that is available to all enterprises that are forced to close due to the virus or the measures related to it.

The financial support is meant to alleviate pressure of small companies that are facing financial hardship because they are not able to perform their regular business activity.

Content of measure

A one off grant off €4000 is available for each business unit in a company in the Brussel region (maximum of €20 000 per company).

The measure applies to all companies with less than 50 fte in employment within certain sectors:

- Trade
- Accommodation
- Catering
- Projection of cinema films
- Activities of travel agencies

Administrative services and other business support activities
 Driving schools
 Organisation of gambling activities
 Sporting, recreational and leisure activities
 Repair of computers and personal and household goods
 Other personal services

In addition other financial support measures are available such as loans at lower interest rates and guarantees provided by the government to aid companies applying for a loan.

Use of measure

It is not known for the moment how many companies will make use of the grant.

Actors, target groups and funding

| Actors | Target groups | Funding |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------|
| Local / regional government | solo-self-employed SMEs One person or microenterprises | Regional funds |

Social partners

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| Role of social partners | Informed |
| Form of involvement | Unknown |

It is to be expected that the social partners were informed of this support measure, the extent and what input they had is not known.

Sectors and occupations

This case is sector-specific.

| Economic area | Sector (NACE level 2) |
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| I - Accommodation And Food Service Activities | I55 Accommodation |
| | I56 Food and beverage service activities |

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| N - Administrative And Support Service Activities | N79 Travel agency, tour operator and other reservation service and related activities |
| R - Arts, Entertainment And Recreation | R90 Creative, arts and entertainment activities |
| | R92 Gambling and betting activities |
| | R93 Sports activities and amusement and recreation activities |
| S - Other Service Activities | S96 Other personal service activities |

This case is not occupation-specific.

Sources

- 18 March 2020: 1819 Brussels (1819.brussels)