



## **ANNOUNCEMENT – 21<sup>st</sup> May 2025 Business Enhance Grant Schemes**

## ERDF Grant Schemes 2021-2027 Advisory Aid Schemes

The Measures and Support Division within the Office of the Prime Minister – European Funds, Equality, Reforms and Social Dialogue (OPM-EES), designated by the Managing Authority (MA) as an Intermediate Body (IB) responsible for administering European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) Grant Schemes through the implementation of Support Measures under the 2021-2027 programming period, is announcing the launch of three (3) new Advisory aid schemes.

These Advisory aid schemes, as well as Call 1 for each respective aid scheme are identified below. These Calls shall be managed through open-rolling calls with cut-off dates set as follows, subject to budget availability:

•	Call 1 Marketing Strategy for Micro and Small Enterprises  Call 1 Internationalisation Strategy for SMEs	/	11 Jul	14 Aug	12 Sep	17 Oct	14 Nov	12 Dec
		30 Jun	31 Jul	/	30 Sep	31 Oct	28 Nov	/
•	Call 1 Standards and Awards for SMEs							

Further information relating to these Grant Schemes, including the respective Guidance Notes and the User Guide to the Application may be obtained from <a href="https://fondi.eu/business-enhance/">https://fondi.eu/business-enhance/</a>. Interested applicants may wish to seek assistance from Servizzi Ewropej f'Malta (SEM) on <a href="mailto:info.sem@gov.mt">info.sem@gov.mt</a>.

This Division would also like to remind that services under the advisory aid schemes are to be sought from Registered Advisory Service Providers. The Guidelines for Advisory Service Providers, the Application to become a Registered Advisory Service Provider, and the List of Registered Advisory Service Providers can be accessed from <a href="https://fondi.eu/business-enhance/service-provider/advisory-services-application-forms-list/">https://fondi.eu/business-enhance/service-provider/advisory-services-application-forms-list/</a>. There is no deadline to apply to become a Registered Advisory Service Provider.

