



Агенцијата за финансиска поддршка во земјоделството и руралниот развој

PRIOR ANNOUNCEMENT

the publication of a Public Notice 01/2019 for submission of applications for allocation of funds from the fifth component of the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development of the European Union (IPARD Program 2014-2020)

The Government of the Republic of North Macedonia and the Agency for Financial Support of Agriculture and Rural Development inform all interested legal and natural persons that in the first half of July 2019 year a Public Call for submission of requests for use of funds from the fifth component of the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance for Rural Development of the European Union (IPARD Program for the period 2014-2020) will be published .

The purpose of the IPARD Program 2014-2020 is through appropriate measures to support agriculture and rural development to improve the competitiveness of agricultural production and the agri-food sector through their harmonization with the EU standards and achieving a sustainable environment and socio-economic development of the rural areas by encouraging economic activity and increasing employment opportunities.

The financial means from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 related to the implementation of this Public Call from July 2019 are intended for the following measures:

- Diversification of farms and business development, limited only to the following priority sectors of the measure:
 1. Alternative agricultural production
 2. Production of food products and beverages for the following types of investments:
 - Alcoholic products from grapes or fruit and beer;
 - Cakes, pasta and bakery products;
 - Tea and herbal extracts;
 - Spices and herbs;
 - Freshwater fish, crustaceans and molluscs and
 - Other products not listed in the List of products in Annex I to the Treaty on the Functioning of the EU.
 3. Production of non-food products
 4. Craft activities, which are in accordance with the Rulebook on determining the activities that craftsmen can perform
 5. Provision of services in agriculture
 6. Development of services for the rural population
 7. Promotion of rural tourism

The rules for using the funds from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 require prior conclusion of a contract of potential beneficiaries with the Agency for Financial Support in Agriculture and Rural Development and realization of the approved investment in accordance with previously agreed conditions. Control of the spot and the implementation of supervision over the contract is carried out by authorized persons from the Agency for Financial Support of Agriculture and Rural Development and relevant institutions in the Republic of North Macedonia for management, implementation and control over IPARD and the European Union.

The manner and the procedure for using the financial support from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 are prescribed in the Decree on the manner and procedure for using financial support for rural development measures financed under the fifth component of the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance for Rural Development of the European Union.

The Public Call will last at least **45 days** from the date of publication of the Public Call in the daily newspapers.

WARNING: The necessary documentation for the preparation and submission of requests, including the Guidelines for beneficiaries of funds from the IPARD Program 2014-2020, will be updated and published on the Agency's website in the period until the announcement of the Public Call.

More detailed information in relation to the types of investments, the criteria for obtaining financial support, the amount of support for the measures interested can be obtained in Agency for Financial Support in Agriculture and Rural Development .

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Information on the



Инструмент за претпристапна помош за рурален развој на Европската Унија 2014-2020

preparation and submission of





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requests, as well as practical advice on applying, interested agricultural producers can charge for free to receive in the regional centers of the Agency for the Promotion of Agricultural Development. (Contact list of regional centers and competent persons is published on the websites of the competent institutions).

