



**Government of the Republic of North Macedonia**

**Agency for Financial Support of the Agriculture and Rural Development**

On the basis of article 9 paragraph 1 point (b) from the Law on ratification of the Sectoral Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Macedonia and the Commission of the European Communities for stipulating provisions for management and implementation of the EU financial assistance to the R. Macedonia according to the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance in the policy areas for “Agriculture and Rural Development (IPARD) (Official Gazette of RM no.38/2016) on the basis of Part II, Measure *Investments in Physical Assets of Agriculture Holdings* point 11 of the Programme for allocation of funds from the EU Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development of the European Union (IPARD 2014-2020) (Official Gazette no.177/2016) and on the basis of article 6 from the Decree on the manner and the procedure for allocation of the financial assistance for the rural development measures funded under the IPARD Programme 2014-2020 (Official Gazette of RM no.64/2016) and Article 4 of the Decree on amending the Decree on the manner and the procedure for allocation of the financial assistance for the rural development measures funded under the IPARD Programme 2014-2020 (Official Gazette no. 58/2019),

**The Agency for Financial Support of the Agriculture and the Rural Development**

On 29 February 2020 hereby announces

**Call for Applications No.01/2020**

for submitting applications for allocation of funds under Measure 1 “Investments in Physical Assets of Agriculture Holdings”

from the IPARD Program 2014-2020

**PART I**

1. The Agency for Financial Support of the Agriculture and Rural Development (hereinafter: the Agency) as the competent institution and contracting authority for the implementation of the EU Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development (IPARD) invites all interested natural and legal parties from the Republic of Macedonia to submit applications for allocation of funds from the IPARD Program 2014-2020 for the following measure:

### **Measure 1. Investments in physical assets of agricultural holdings**

2. The financial support for this Public Call is comprised of 75% of the funds provided from the European Union Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development (IPARD) according to the Financial Agreement 2014-2020 and 25% of the funds of the Budget of the Republic of Macedonia

3. **The Financial resources per single application** shall be awarded as a non-refundable financial support (grant) in the amount of:

3.1. 60% of the value of the total eligible expenditures of the investments for Measure *Investment in physical assets of agricultural holdings*. The percentage can be increased up to 65% for investments in agricultural holdings proposed by young farmers (natural persons aged 18 to 40 on the date of submitting the application for financial support) and 70% for investments in agricultural holdings in mountain areas.

4. **The deadline for submitting applications is April 14, 2020**

5. **The total financial support under this call is 9,216,693 euros or 568,147,394 denars.**

6. **Obtaining forms and instructions:**

The required forms from the "Application for allocation of IPARD Program 2014-2020" as well as the "Guidelines for Beneficiaries of the IPARD Program 2014-2020" for each measure separately which contains all the information on the criteria, eligibility requirements of the projects and the financing conditions, as well as any other information necessary for preparing an Application for allocation of funds under the IPARD Program 2014-2020, the Guidelines for drafting the Business Plan/Technical Proposal Design, Guidelines for issuing the necessary documents by the relevant institutions and other useful information in electronic form can be downloaded from the Agency's web address: [www.ipardpa.gov.mk](http://www.ipardpa.gov.mk)

The printed forms of the applications for Measure 1 of the IPARD Program 2014-2020 and Guidelines for Beneficiaries of funds under Measure 1 of the IPARD Program 2014-2020 can be obtained directly at the Agency at: **Agency for Financial Support of Agriculture and Rural development, Blvd. 3rd Makedonska Brigada No. 20, (Building of Makedonija Tabak, Bloc C), 1000 Skopje** and the nearest regional centers or the work units of the National Extension Agency, every working day from 8:30 to 16:30. (The list of regional centers or the work units of the National Extension Agency with contact details is published at the web address: [www.ipardpa.gov.mk](http://www.ipardpa.gov.mk)).

7. **Manner of submitting the application:**

The Applicant shall fill out and submit an Application for allocation of funds from the IPARD Programme 2014-2020 for Measure 1 - Investments in Physical Assets of Agricultural Holdings", and supporting documentation as defined in this Public Call.

The completed application for allocation of funds under Measure 1 of the IPARD Program 2014-2020 and all documentation shall be submitted in a sealed envelope. The front of the envelope, in the upper left corner should have an indication "DO NOT OPEN" for Public Call IPARD, number 01/2020 and indication of the measure for which the application is sent. The application can be sent via registered mail or in person to the Archive of the Agency.

**Note:** Due to on-the-spot controls, the applicant should have copies of the overall documentation submitted to the Agency.

**More detail contact information can be obtained at: Telephone (02) 3097-460 or the email address: [ipardpa.info@ipardpa.gov.mk](mailto:ipardpa.info@ipardpa.gov.mk) and the website: [www.ipardpa.gov.mk](http://www.ipardpa.gov.mk).**