

- **GOP eligibility criteria:**

1. A Palestinian Company registered according to the applicable laws and regulations
2. The company should have valid non-conviction certificate, issued by the Palestinian Ministry of Justice no longer than 3 months from the date of submission of the application
3. The company should have an income tax and VAT clearance certificate issued by the Palestinian Ministry of Finance no longer than 3 months from the date of submission of the application
4. The company should have valid evidence that it is not bankrupt subject to insolvency or winding-up procedures, where its assets are being administered by a liquidator or by a court, where it is in an arrangement with creditors, where its business activities are suspended, or where it is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for under the Palestinian Law. The evidence should be dated no more 3 months from the date of submission of the application
5. Activities subject to PIEIP support is not funded by any other donor (no duplication). The beneficiary is to submit sworn statement endorsed by the competent court confirming that the project is not funded by other donors during the previous 5 years and hasn't received EU grant at all;
6. Business is operational for at least three years preceding current year of operations based on the official registration and the audited financial report (Gaza); for West Bank: Business is operational for at least two years based on the official registration and the audited financial report taking into consideration that the business will hire a business consultant for at least one year to provide the required support;
7. The business currently employs at least 5 permanent workers (full time) for the last year before the year of submission with a compensation that at least meets minimum wage in Palestine and substantiated by monthly payroll deductions to tax authority for each employee for existing business
8. The grant application would be considered eligible for review if the total investment size provided in the business plan is at least equal to the minimum investment size as illustrated in the below table:

Windows	Minimum total investment size in EUR		
	Tenants with up to 9 employees	Tenants with 10 to 19 employees	Tenants with 20 employees and above
1) Relocation (with/without expansion) into IEs encouragement Grant	150,000	200,000	300,000
2) Expansion or investments Grant for existing tenants	200,000	250,000	350,000

9. Signed letter of intent with the developer indicating intent to relocate and rent a facility at the concerned IE for a minimum of 5 years, countersigned by IPIEA
10. The expansion refers to complementary investment within the supply chain of the same business
11. Operational, labour, Inventory items, tax and custom are considered ineligible costs.

12. As for damaged business in Gaza, any reconstruction cost incurred in GIE after 21 May is eligible, unless it has been funded by donors or insurance

- **EU eligibility criteria:**

1. Business, owners and key management not part of international and ad-hoc sanctions list
2. Inventory items, tax and custom applicable to eligible item are ineligible costs
3. Any cost falls under the responsibility of third party such as the developer is an ineligible cost
4. Applicable provisions regarding the European Union's Rule of Origin, unless a derogation of rule of origin is approved by EU
5. The GOP and the developer are committed to provide the incentives package established in this manual.