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Northern Ireland										
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Ideation	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Invest NI Proof of Concept 1</a>	Invest NI	Supports activity to validate and develop early-stage, research-derived technologies with commercial potential or commercialisation stage.	Northern Ireland research organisations (e.g. universities or publicly-funded institutes)	£15,000	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Seed	100,000 - 250,000		<a href="#">Invest NI Proof of Concept 2</a>	Invest NI	Provides grant funding to help translate early-stage, research-derived technologies toward commercial readiness.	Northern Ireland research organisations (e.g. universities or publicly-funded institutes)	£150,000	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Ideation	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Student to First Sale</a>	InvestNI	Aimed at fostering innovation and entrepreneurship among students and helping student entrepreneurs in Northern Ireland transform their business ideas into commercial ventures.	Targeted at current students who are studying at a college or university in Northern Ireland	£15,000	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">Medical Research Council (MRC), Impact Acceleration Account (MRC, IAA)</a>	MRC / QUB	Aims to accelerate the transition from discovery science to the early stages of therapeutic and biomarker development and rapidly de-risk projects across the translational lifecycle, so that they become competitive for substantial funding.	Must be within a University that has been awarded funding	£30,000 - £100,000	Health and Life Science	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Ideation	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Techstart Proof of Concept Grant</a>	Techstart Ventures	To explore the viability and commercial potential of an innovative concept	NI Company, Not connected to a university.	£15,000	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Ideation	25,000 - 49,000		<a href="#">Techstart Proof of Concept+ Grant</a>	Techstart Ventures	To explore the viability and commercial potential of an innovative concept.	NI Company, Not connected to a university.	£40,000	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Commercialisation	250,000+		<a href="#">Biomedical Catalyst</a>	Innovate UK	Accelerate the development of new treatments, diagnostics, medical devices, and digital health solutions from early-stage concept to commercial viability.	Lead by a business (can collaborate with University) UK Based SME The project should have a clear path to commercialization and market impact	up to £2,000,000	Health and Life Science	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Commercialisation	0-250k		<a href="#">UKRI POC</a>	UKRI	Help UK-based research organisations commercialise their research by validating ideas, technologies, processes	Based at UKRI-eligible institution	£80k-£200k	General	
Ireland										
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Commercialisation	250,000+		<a href="#">Commercialisation Fund</a>	EI	Supports third-level researchers to translate their research into innovative and commercially viable products, services and companies.	Third Level Researchers	Various (up to €500k) (2024 - 34 Awarded)	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Ideation	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Feasibility Study Grants</a>	LEO	Support for assessing market demand etc. - regional differentiation	General - On Application	S&E 50% or €15,000, BMW 60% or €15,000	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Seed	100,000 - 250,000		<a href="#">Priming Grants</a>	LEO	Business Start Up Grant - micro under 19 months - manufacturing or internationally traded services sector	Micro Enterprises on application	€150,000 or 50% whichever is the lesser	General	
Pre-seed/Seed Grant	Ideation	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Commercialisation Fund Feasibility Grant &amp; Award</a>	EI	The Commercialisation Fund Award provides significant funding and supports to help researchers develop, build and validate their technology both technically and commercially using a tailored development plan.	General - On Application	€15,000 (55 awarded in 2024)	General	
Northern Ireland										
Fund	Post Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">Investment Fund for Northern Ireland Equity Finance</a>	British Business Bank / Clarendon Fund Managers	Funding to early-stage and high-growth potential companies	Small and medium sized NI companies	£250,000 - £5 million	General	
Fund	Seed	100,000 - 250,000		<a href="#">Co-fund NI</a>	Clarendon Fund Managers	Pre-Seed/Seed Funding	NI companies Investment matched to private investment	£150,000 - £1,500,000	General	
Fund	Pre Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">Techstart Ventures Equity Fund</a>	Techstart Ventures	Pre-Seed/Seed Funding	NI companies	£50,000 - £250,000	General	
Ireland										
Fund	Pre Seed	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">Pre-seed start fund</a>	EI	Early Stage Investment	General - On application	€50k to €100k	General	
Fund	Post Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">Innovative HPSU fund</a>	EI	6 month scaling programme	General - On application	Up to €1.2m	General	
Fund	Post Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">Business Investment Funds</a>	WDC	Regional SME investment fund	General - On application	€250,000 to €1m	Cleantech/ICT/Food/MedTech/Tourism	
Fund	Post Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">EI SVC fund</a>	EI	To increase the availability of risk capital for start-ups to support economic growth through continued development of the Seed and Venture Capital industry in Ireland to achieve a more robust, commercially viable and self-sustaining sector	Application by Funds	€250m (2024-29) (2019-24 allocation supported 14 funds)	General	
Fund	Seed	100,000 - 250,000		<a href="#">Irish Innovation Seed Fund</a>	EI/EIB/SIF	VC partnership fund targeted at supporting seed stage SMEs across the State and prioritises areas such as sustainability, climate change and female entrepreneurship.	Application by Funds	€90m fund size	ICT/Life Science/Clim ate	
Fund	Post Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">Irish Strategic Investment Fund</a>	ISIF/TMA	Invests in VC funds	Application by Funds	Various	Various	
Fund	Post Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">EI Follow on Investment</a>	EI	Follow on Investment in existing clients	Former HPSU	Various (€10m 2023)	General	
Fund	Post Seed	250,000+		<a href="#">Further Venture Capital Funds</a>	Furthr	Seed to Series A fund	General - On application	Various (€50m fund)	General	
Northern Ireland										
Angels	Seed	100,000 - 250,000		<a href="#">HBAN</a>	Various	Pre-Seed/Seed Funding		Various	General	
Angels	Pre-Seed	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">Awaken Angels</a>	BBB/ITI	Pre-Seed/Seed Funding	Female led			
Ireland										
Angels	Seed	100,000 - 250,000		<a href="#">HBAN</a>	EI/Invest NI	Pre-Seed/Seed Funding	General	Various	General	
Northern Ireland										
Competition	Pre-Seed	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">Catalyst INVENT</a>	Catalyst	Promotion of entrepreneurship	Open to students and start-ups. Must have basic prototype.	£50,000 (Prize)	Engineering	
Competition	Seed	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">Seedcorn</a>	ITI	Investor Readiness - early stage/new start	General	€300k prize fund	General	
Ireland										
Competition	Seed	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">Seedcorn</a>	ITI	Investor Readiness - early stage/new start	General	€300k prize fund	General	
Northern Ireland										
Accelerator	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Royal Academy of Engineering (RAE), Enterprise Fellowship</a>	RAE	Twelve-month accelerator programme designed to support talented researchers and graduates to transform breakthrough engineering innovations into disruptive spinouts and graduate start-ups.	University researchers, Recent graduates, Non-UK nationals who have recently completed their PhD at a UK university with: - a protectable engineering or technology innovation - the ambition to lead the business as CEO or COO - a technology that has been validated in a lab or a relevant environment	£75,000	General	
Accelerator	Commercialisation	25,000 - 49,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">ICURE Explore</a>	Innovate UK	Commercialisation of university research - customer discovery/market research	UK University research based	£35,900	General	
Accelerator	Pre-Seed	0 - 25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Founder Labs</a>	Ormeau Labs +	A programme created by founders for founders	By application	£25,000	General	
Ireland										
Accelerator	Ideation	25,000 - 49,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">New Frontiers - phases 1,3</a>	EI	Enterprise Ireland's New Frontiers programme is delivered at 18 locations around the Republic of Ireland. Develop the skills to move from business idea towards an income-generating and investor-ready start-up. You will receive mentoring, training, incubation space, access to R&D facilities, and financial support (once your idea has been validated).	Targeted at first time founders	€40k for phase one. Phase 2 competitive selection process.	General	
Accelerator	Ideation	0 - 25,000	Pre-Accelerator	<a href="#">NDRC Preaccelerator</a>	NDRC	The Pre-Accelerator is designed for pre-seed start-ups that are serious about achieving impactful customer proof points and applying to an accelerator programme.	General - On Application	Free to Participants	General	

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Accelerator	Pre Seed	50,000 - 100,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">NDRC Accelerator</a>	NDRC	Full accelerator programme.	On Application	€100k+ (SAFE)	General	
Accelerator	Ideation	0 - 25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Dogpatch Founders</a>	NDRC	A new programme designed to support the most ambitious individuals who have the desire to start a company but don't know where to begin.	On Application	€2k stipend	General	
Accelerator	Seed	0 - 25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Accelerate Green</a>	Bord na Mona/Resolve Partners	Dedicated to companies who are developing products and services based on green innovation in response to climate action and sustainability challenges	Sectoral		Sustainability	
Accelerator	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">AI Ecosystem Accelerator</a>	Nova UCD/CEA4dr	Designed to support entrepreneurs developing global AI solutions	By application		Artificial Intelligence	
Accelerator	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">2050 Accelerator</a>	Dogpatch Labs	Designed to support corporates and start-ups aligned to the EU's 2050 climate goals	By application		Sustainability	
Accelerator	Pre-Seed/Seed	50,000 - 100,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Prep4Seed</a>	Enterprise Ireland/BICs	12 week investor readiness programme run by Irish Business Innovation Centres for Enterprise Ireland	Designed for recipients of PSSF funding			
Accelerator	Pre Seed/Seed	50,000 - 100,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Next Wave, National Women's Founder Accelerator</a>	Enterprise Ireland	Designed to prepare female founders for early stage investment	By application		Female Founders	
Europe										
Accelerator	Post Seed	250,000+	Accelerator	<a href="#">EIC Accelerator Grant</a>	European Commission	Matched funding for high risk projects	SME to 500/Small Mid Caps	up to €2.5m	General	
Accelerator	Pre Seed	0 -25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Built Environment ClimAccelerator</a>	Climate KC/CTD	Supporting Carbon emission reduction by supporting startups and existing SMEs	By application		Climate	
Accelerator	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Carbon Removal ClimAccelerator</a>	Climate KC/CTD	Supporting Carbon Removal start-ups	By application		Climate	
Accelerator	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000	Accelerator	<a href="#">Circular Cities ClimAccelerator</a>	Climate KC/CTD	Supporting start-ups aim to reduce, reuse, recycle, recover and regenerate resources for the betterment of urban environments, maximising the lifecycle of materials and optimising their use.	By application		Climate	
Northern Ireland										
Support Grant	Ideation	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Invest NI Innovation Vouchers</a>	Invest NI	Designed to help small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Northern Ireland access external expertise to develop innovative ideas.	Businesses registered in Northern Ireland can redeem the vouchers with public-sector knowledge providers, such as universities, colleges, and research institutions for specific innovation services.	£5,000	General	
Support Grant	Established/Scaling	250,000+		<a href="#">Investor Partnerships - Future Economy</a>	Innovate UK	Bring together public and private investment to support the growth of innovative UK businesses, especially start-ups and scale-ups.	UK Based SME Private investment required from qualified investor Aligned to focus of funding call	up to £700k	General	
Support Grant	Commercialisation	250,000+		<a href="#">Development Pathway Funding Scheme (DPFS)</a>	UKRI	Help translate early-stage medical research from start-ups and SMEs into real-world healthcare solutions	Single Start Up or SME (small mid caps) Less than 500 employees	up to £2.5m	Health and Life Science	
Support Grant	Established/Scaling	250,000+		<a href="#">SMART Grants</a>	Innovate UK	Aimed at supporting businesses that are developing innovative, high-risk, high-reward ideas with significant commercial potential.	UK based companies incl. one small/medium enterprise Demonstrate sizeable market need Completely new product, service or process Brand New use for existing product, service or process	Up to £2 million	General	
Support Grant	Established/Scaling	0 - 25,000	R&D	<a href="#">Global Explorers Innovate UK</a>	Innovate UK	Support individual UK SMEs to explore global R&D and innovation opportunities to accelerate the development of their innovative ideas, products and services and global market access	UK Business Less than 250 employees Subject to minimal financial assistance constraints (over 3 years)	£21,000	General	
Support Grant	Established/Scaling	50,000 - 100,000	R&D	<a href="#">New to R&amp;D Project Definition</a>	Invest NI	Help businesses define and plan their first R&D project.  - Identifying potential areas of innovation. - Understanding technical feasibility. - Planning for full-scale R&D projects. - Gaining insights into the resources required for R&D.	Open to SMEs in Northern Ireland that are new to R&D should demonstrate that they have no significant previous experience with formal R&D projects.	up to £100,000	General	
Support Grant	Established/Scaling	0 - 25,000	R&D	<a href="#">Technical Development Incentive</a>	InvestNI	Provides financial assistance to businesses undertaking technical development projects. These projects might include developing or improving products, processes, or services through technical innovation.	Provides financial assistance to businesses undertaking technical development projects. These projects might include developing or improving products, processes, or services through technical innovation.	£15,000	General	
Support Grant	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000	Employment	<a href="#">Skills for Growth for SMEs</a>	InvestNI	Financial support for training activities to Invest NI customers who are SMEs.  Supports trainee wages, internal trainer, external trainer and travel and accommodation costs.  Available to smaller companies.	NI Companies (InvestNI Clients)	50% for Eligible Costs	General	
Support Grant	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000	Employment	<a href="#">Skills Advancement Grant</a>	InvestNI	Support is available for external training, travel and accommodation costs, at 50% grant up to a maximum of £15,000 grant.	Existing customers of Invest NI	£15,000	General	
Support Grant	Established/Scaling	0 - 25,000	R&D	<a href="#">Business Innovation Grant</a>	InvestNI	Support micro and small-to-medium enterprises (SMEs) in Northern Ireland with innovation projects. Can be used for market research, product development, market entry, trade fairs, exhibitions and more	NI Companies	70% up to £20,000		
Ireland										
Support Grant	Scaling/Established	0 - 25,000	Employment	<a href="#">Employment Funding Support</a>	EI	3 minimum additional employees	General/Regional - on Application	£15k per employee	General	
Support Grant	Scaling/Established	0 - 25,000	Employment	<a href="#">GraftStart</a>	EI	3 grads - two year placements	General - On Application	£15k or 50%	General	
Support Grant	Ideation	25,000 - 49,000	R&D	<a href="#">HPSU Feasibility Study Grant</a>	EI	Research	Existing HPSU clients	€30,000	General	
Support Grant	Scaling/Established	100,000 - 250,000		<a href="#">Innovation Partnership Programme</a>	EI	Access to Innovation Expertise	General - on application (Manufacturing or internationally traded services companies)	30% of cost up to €200k	General	
Support Grant	Scaling/Established	25,000 - 49,000	IP	<a href="#">IP Plus</a>	EI	IP Strategy Expert Support	General - On Application (existing state agency clients)	€35,000	General	
Support Grant	Scaling/Established	50,000 - 100,000	R&D	<a href="#">Research Development and Innovation Fund</a>	EI	Innovative Product Development	General - On Application (existing state agency clients)	Up to 60%	General	
Support Grant	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Feasibility Study Grants</a>	LEO	Support for assessing market demand etc.	General - On application (not open to existing state agency clients)	S&E 50% or €15,000, BMW 60% or €15,000	General	
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Loan	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">Start Up Loan</a>	British Business Bank	- Entrepreneurs can borrow between £500 and £25,000, with a fixed interest rate of 6% per year. - No fees, and the loan is repayable over 1-5 years. - Businesses also receive mentoring and support as part of the scheme.	Applicants must be starting a new business or have been trading for less than 36 months. Must be UK residents.	£25,000	General	
Loan	Pre-seed	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">NI Small Business Loan Fund</a>	NI Small Business Loan Fund	Loans for up to £100k for small businesses in Northern Ireland	start-up and SMES	start-up - Up to €15k Existing - Up to £100k		
Loan	Scaling/Established	250,000 +		<a href="#">Innovate UK</a>	Innovate UK	Government-backed funding scheme designed to help UK small and medium-sized businesses grow and scale by supporting late-stage research and development projects with strong commercial potential.	UK registered SME Pass creditworthiness assessment Project carried out in the UK	£100,000 - £2 million		
Ireland										
Loan	Pre Seed	0 - 25,000		<a href="#">start-up Loan</a>	MicroFinance Ireland/SBCI	- €5k to €50k - 6.5% (5.5% if application made via LEO - 3 year term - 3 months interest free	Supports the early stage and start-up phase of the business	€5k to €50k	General	
Loan	Seed	50,000 - 100,000		<a href="#">Loan Finance</a>	Western Development Commission	€50,000 - €300,000 3 - 10 year terms Commercial Rates	Must be based in WDC region	€50,000 - €300,000		
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Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">QUBIS</a>	QUB	Protecting Intellectual Property (IP), Securing Funding & Investment, Potential for access facilities and personnel	University IP	No limit	General	
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Innovation Ulster Limited</a>	UU	Protecting Intellectual Property (IP), Securing Funding & Investment, Potential for access facilities and personnel	University IP	No limit	General	
Ireland										
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">NovatUCD</a>	UCD	Spin-out & Enterprise Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">DCU Invent</a>	DCU	Spin-out & Enterprise Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Portal</a>	TCD	Research collaborations, licensing opportunities, professional consulting, education, executive training and entrepreneurship programmes-out & Enterprise Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">The Media Cube</a>	IADT	Start Up Innovation Centre focus on digital businesses				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">The Growth Hub</a>	TUD	Spin-out & Enterprise Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Synergy Centre</a>	TUD Tallaght	Business Incubator & Enterprise Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Business Incubation Centre</a>	NCI	Business Incubation Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Origin 8</a>	NCAD	Industrial Gateway and Innovation Hub				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Ignite</a>	UCC	Start Up Incubator				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Galway MedTech</a>	UCG	MedTech collaboration centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Nexus Innovation Centre</a>	University of Limerick	Enterprise and Innovation Hub				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Hardnett Enterprise Acceleration Centre</a>	Technological University of the Shannon	Spin Out & Enterprise Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Rubicon</a>	MTU	On compass incubator				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">xCelebrate</a>	South East Technological University	Spin Out & Enterprise Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Maynooth Works</a>	Maynooth University	Incubation centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">Holthouse</a>	TUD Dublin	Knowledge Transfer and Incubation Centre				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">RCSI Innovation Office</a>	RCSI	Spin Out & Enterprise Centre - licensing facilities				
Incubators	Commercialisation	50,000 - 100,000	Third Level Commercialisation Arm	<a href="#">ATU Innovation Hubs (iHub)</a>	Atlantic Technological University	Incubation and Business Support				