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Subsidy II (Investment Subsidy for solar thermal installations)

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Under the Climate and Energy Funds, a support mechanism for large solar thermal installations is in place. The generated heat can be used for industrial processes, the feed-in into district heating grids or space and water heating.

Eligible technologies

The support mechanism is split into 5 categories: • Solar process heat • Feed-in of solar heat into district heating grids • High solar coverage rates (>20%) in service and commerce • Combinations of solar thermal with heat pumps • New technologies and innovation

Solar thermal energy	Installations with a gross collector surface between 100 – 10,000 m2 are eligible for support. Installations have to be finalised by 31 July 2020 (p. 6 Solar Guidelines).
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Amount

The maximum amount of support is differentiated by the 5 categories: • Solar process heat: € 700 per MWh up total support of € 750,000 • Feed-in of solar heat into district heating grids: € 550 per MWh up total support of € 750,000 • High solar coverage rates (>20%) in service and commerce: € 950 per MWh up total support of € 750,000 • Combinations of solar thermal with heat pumps: € 1,100 per MWh (both solar and heat-pump generated) • New technologies and innovation: no maximum limit up total support of € 200,000 Furthermore, if projects participate in the accompanying research project, the support rates are increased by another 50 %. The funding rate for environmentally relevant costs is determined by the collector surface area: • < 2,000 m2: 40 %

- Additional 5 % for SME
- Additional 5% for innovative storage systems
- 2,001 – 5,000 m2: 30 % • > 5,001 m2: 20 %

Addressees

All private and legal entities engaging in commercial activities are eligible for support.

Procedure

Process flow	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Application: The grant applicant need to register on the website of the Climate and Energy Funds. A counselling interview with the fund is necessary at least 1 week before submission of the application documents. The documents need to be submitted to the settlement agency Kommunalkredit Public Consulting GmbH (KPC).• Evaluation: The KPC assesses the application and forwards it to further evaluation to the Committee of the Climate and Energy Funds.• Decision making: The Committee of the Climate and Energy Funds decides on the application and announces the winning entities on its website.
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• **Timeline:** The application period starts on 29 May 2018 and ends on 28 February 2019. Installations need to be finalised by 31 July 2020.

Competent authority

The funds come from the Climate and Energy Funds. The Kommunalkredit Public Consulting GmbH is entrusted as a settlement agency with the practical development of support programmes.

Distribution of costs

**Distribution
mechanism**

The incentive scheme is financed by the budget programme LE 14–20 from the Ministry of Sustainability and Tourism (BMNT) and amounts to € 3 million of support volume.

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