

Grants for registering trademarks, designs, and patents in 2026

On February 2, 2026, the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) will launch the **SME Fund 2026** "Ideas Powered for Business," a package of grants aimed at SMEs and self-employed individuals based in the European Union who wish to protect their Intellectual Property rights.

SME Fund 2026 | Funds for SMEs and the self-employed

SME Fund 2026 is a program which involves the issuance of **bonds to partially cover fees for trademarks, designs, patents, and community plant varieties.**

There is a **maximum limit on bonds**, which are also **awarded on a first-come, first-served basis**, so it is important to start the application process as soon as possible.

Furthermore, it is important to know the following key points:

- **Bonds are not retroactive:** costs incurred before the date of notification of the grant decision will not be reimbursed.
- An SME cannot apply for a grant from this Fund if it has already **received EU funding** for the same activity or part of it.
- Bonds only apply to the registration of **new Intellectual Property rights.**

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Grants for registering a trademark or design (Voucher 2)

Voucher 2 reduces the costs of registering a trademark or design (up to € 700):

- 75% reimbursement of trademark and design fees at **EU level**.
- 75% reimbursement of trademark and design fees at **national and regional level**.
- 50% reimbursement of trademark and design fees **outside the EU**.

Grants for registering a patent (Voucher 3)

Voucher 3 reduces the costs in the following situations:

- **75%** reimbursement of the fees for a "**Prior Art Search Report**" and for **national patent applications** (up to € 1,000).
- **75%** reimbursement of filing and search fees for **European patents** filed at the European Patent Office (up to € 1,000).
- 50% reimbursement of **legal costs** for European patent application drafting and filing (up to € 1,500).

Grants for Community Plant Varieties

Voucher 4 entitles you to:

- **75%** reimbursement of online application and examination fee at EU level (up to € 1,500)

At **UNGRIA**, we can assist you with the **planning, filing, and management of SME Fund 2026 grants** for SMEs and self-employed individuals. Please, do not hesitate to contact us for more information about EUIPO grants for 2026.

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