

1. What is the grant funding quantum?

In celebration of raiSE's 10th Anniversary and SG60, the grant quantum has been increased by S\$10,000 and selected teams will receive up to S\$60,000 in grant funding.

2. What is the application window for EnergiSE?

The raiSE EnergiSE grant is held annually, with applications for EnergiSE 2025 open from 6 June to 13 July.

3. Can the grants be used to cover past expenditures?

All grant funding is specifically for expenditures incurred after the grant agreement has been signed. It's designed to help startups reach their agreed-upon milestones and cannot be used to cover previous activities or programs.

4. How are the grants disbursed?

Grants are disbursed in tranches based on the achievement of milestones which are mutually agreed upon between raiSE and the grantee.

5. Is there an upfront disbursement?

Upfront disbursement of up to 70% of the funding quantum will be provided upon signing of the funding agreement.

6. What is the duration of the grant agreement?

The contractual period for the grant is 12 months from the date of signing the funding agreement.

7. Are there any restrictions on the use of grants?

Grant funding must be used solely for the purpose of achieving the social impact milestones as outlined in your funding agreement.

8. Can I appeal raiSE's decision on my application?

All decisions made by raiSE are final and appeals will not be considered.

9. Is EnergiSE a competitive grant call?

The EnergiSE grant is a competitive grant call, and all applications are assessed based on merit and adherence to the eligibility criteria.

10. Do I have any reporting obligations?

Grant recipients are required to participate in monthly check-ins and submit half-yearly Progress Reports to raiSE for monitoring purposes. The full details of these reporting obligations will be clearly outlined in the grant agreement.

11. If my Social Enterprise holds a grant from another organisation, can I still apply?

Yes, you may apply for raiSE's EnergiSE grant. However, you are required to disclose all relevant information regarding any existing grants in your application. Furthermore, the EnergiSE grant funding should not be used for duplicate activities or purposes covered by existing or future grants.

12. Am I allowed to withdraw profits from my business?

Over the contractual period, grant recipients are not permitted to withdraw profits from the business. All profits must be re-channeled into the business to sustain operations and/or for expansion purposes.

13. Can I apply for the grant if my business currently does not have any Social Impact?

Yes, you're welcome to apply for the grant even if your business doesn't currently have social impact fully integrated. The key is your intention to build social impact into your operations. The energiSE grant is specifically designed to support businesses with this intentionality on their journey to becoming Social Enterprises. Our aim is to help you weave social impact into the core of what you do.

Once you apply, you'll be signed up as a raiSE Impact Community (RIC) member. Through this membership, raiSE will be able to offer greater support towards your growth and impact within the social enterprise sector.

14. Can I apply for the grant if I am a past raiSE grantee?

Yes, the energiSE grant is open to past grantees whose funding agreement has lapsed and have no outstanding matters with raiSE.

If you have any further questions, please reach out to us at funding@raise.sg