# Early Technological Stages Program

Executive summary of the main features

# ABOUT EARLY TECHNOLOGICAL STAGES PROGRAM

The purpose of the Early Technological Stages Program is to promote the creation of investment funds to finance Chilean companies that are in the early stages of development and show potential for growth and innovation in technology-related sectors..

For this, the Investment Funds may use the available resources to make capital contributions that allow them to acquire equity participation in the scaleups and thus actively participate in the portfolio companies.

## **Credit Line Characteristics**

To the Investment Funds incorporated in Chile, which have applied and comply with the requirements of the Program's legal regulations, CORFO's Venture Capital Committee may approve Credit Lines up to a maximum amount of 200% of the private contributions committed in the Fund's capital.

The minimum amount of the Credit Lines is US\$6.6 million and may reach a maximum of approximately US\$18 million.



### **Credit terms and conditions**

The loans granted under the approved Credit Line must be repaid to CORFO within a term that may not exceed fifteen years from the date of the Credit Line Opening Agreement, or the term of the Fund, whichever is less, without prejudice to the prepayment obligation established in the Program's legal regulations.

These loans will accrue interest at the 10-year BCU rate for loans denominated in Unidades de Fomento (UF), which will be calculated as capitalizable annually.

# **Companies subject to investment**

The companies in which the Fund will invest must comply with the following requirements:

- i) Qualify as companies in "early technological stages".
- ii) Are incorporated in Chile as a corporation (S.A.), joint stock company (SpA), or companies governed by the Mining Code.
- iii) Have maximum sales of US\$ 440 k.
- iv) Less than 3 years since the issuance of the first sales and services invoice.

It should be noted that after 60 months, counted from the date of execution of the "Credit Line Opening Agreement between the Administrator on behalf of the Fund and CORFO", the Fund must have credited investments against the granted Credit Line, for a minimum amount of 60% of the Credit Line approved by the Venture Capital Committee.



# **Fund Liquidation**

At the time of final liquidation of the Fund, the resulting amounts will be distributed according to the value of the Unidad de Fomento de Chile at the time of payment and in accordance with the following priority:

- 1° Original capital of the CORFO Credits, minus previous capital subscriptions.
- 2° Original contributions made by private investors not related to the Administrator.
- 3° Recoveries FET Coverage Program.
- 4° Original contributions made by private investors related to the Fund Manager.
- 5° Payment to CORFO of contingent interest calculated at the 10-year BCU compound rate + 5% (the payment of this interest will not take place in the event that the Fund is classified as one that invests in companies located in strategic areas defined by CORFO).
- 6° Remainder to be distributed to private investors and the Administrator.

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5° Remaining amount to be distributed to private investors and the Fund Manager, in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Internal Regulations.



# How to apply?

The background information that the Fund Administrators must submit in order to apply to our Credit Lines is established in the Regulations of each Program (which we suggest you read in detail). This background information is condensed in the following four items:

- i) Background of the Fund and the Administrator both constituted in Chile (track record of the team, legal constitution and validity, financial, economic, etc.).
- ii) Draft Internal Regulations of the Fund, including as a minimum required basis, those provisions established in the current Regulations of the Program to which the applicant is applying.
- iii) Contribution commitments of the private investors, corresponding to 100% of the Fund's committed capital, which must be consistent with the Credit Line requested. It should be noted that the structure of the Fund's Contributors must comply with the requirements established in the Program.
- iv) Proposal and Business Plan of the Investment Fund, including at least the information required in the Program Regulations.



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