

Regional aid multiple choice questions

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1. Which of the following sectors/activities are excluded from
regional investment aid in the GBER?

- a) Coal sector.
- b) Fishery and aquaculture sector.
- c) Primary production of agricultural products.
- d) Transport sector as well as the related infrastructure.



2. Is it allowed to grant aid if:

- a) Undertaking is in difficulty.
- b) Aid to export-related activities, linked to the quantities exported.
- c) Aid to export related activities, to the establishment and operation of distribution network.
- d) Aid is for activities in the production, processing and marketing of products listed in Annex I to the Treaty.



3. The following are eligible costs for initial investment:

- a) setting-up of a new establishment
- b) extension of the capacity of an existing establishment
- c) diversification of the output of an establishment into products not previously produced in the establishment
- d) fundamental change in the overall production process of an existing establishment



4. If the eligible costs are based on wage costs arising from job creation:

- a) net increase in number of employees in the establishment concerned must be compared with the average over the previous 12 months
- b) each post shall be filled within 2 years of completion of works
- c) each job shall be maintained in the area concerned for a period of at least 5 years (3 years SMEs) from the date the post was first filled
- d) Wage costs must be calculated over a period of 3 years



5. Single investment project can be considered:

- a) Any investment started by the same beneficiary?
- b) Any initial investment started by the same beneficiary (at group level) within a period of three years from the date of start of works on another aided investment in the same level 3 region of the Nomenclature of Territorial Units?



6. The 'own contribution' of a beneficiary must be:

- a) Be free of State aid?
- b) Cover at least 25% of the eligible costs, either through its own resources or by external financing, in a form, which is free of any public support?
- c) In the form of a private bank loan?



7. The GBER can be used to provide cover for Regional aid where the beneficiary has :

- a) closed down the same or a similar activity in the EEA in the two years preceding its application?
- b) transferred the same or similar activity from an establishment in another EEA country?