

**EPAnEK 2014-2020**  
**OPERATIONAL PROGRAMME**  
**COMPETITIVENESS • ENTREPRENEURSHIP • INNOVATION**



# Competitiveness Toolbox

FOR SMALL AND VERY SMALL ENTERPRISES

The enterprise «AIRBLOCK BROS XAR. AKRITIDI LTD» based in CENTRAL MACEDONIA region, has joined the Action "Competitiveness Toolbox" with a total budget of **400 million €**. The Action aims at supporting existing small and very small enterprises, in order to upgrade and improve their competitive position in domestic and international markets, by investing in the modernization of their production equipment and by adopting product certifications.

The investment's total budget is 200.000,00 € out of which 100.000,00 € is public expenditure. The Action is co-financed by Greece and the European Union - European Regional Development Fund.

**The approved co-financed Business Plan includes investments on the following categories:**

- ✓ Machinery – Equipment
- ✓ Means of transportation
- ✓ Wage cost for new personnel

**Through the participation in the Action, the enterprise achieved:**

- ✓ Competitiveness improvement
- ✓ Market expenditure by adopting new products and services
- ✓ Creation of better quality products and services
- ✓ Increase of productivity and improvement of operational procedures
- ✓ Entrepreneurship Reinforcement
- ✓ Creation/ retention of jobs

The support of EPAnEK proved beneficial, not only for the enterprise but for the competitiveness of the national as well as the local economy.



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## SUPPORT MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES AFFECTED BY COVID-19 IN CENTRAL MAKEDONIA

The enterprise "AIRBLOCK LTD", with headquarters in the Region of Central Macedonia, was co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) of the European Union (EE) for the implementation of its project under the Action "Support micro and small enterprises affected by Covid-19 in Central Macedonia" under the framework of the Operational Program «Central Macedonia» 2014-2020.

The Action is aimed at empowering micro and small enterprises in the Region of Central Macedonia in the form of a non-repayable grant to ensure sufficient liquidity to deal with the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Investment's total budget is 50.000,00 € (100% public expenditure). The Action is co-financed by Greece and the European Union - European Regional Development Fund.



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Upgrading micro & small businesses  
to develop their skills in new markets

This enterprise has been co-financed by the above mentioned Program, which aims to the upgrading of the competitive position of very small and small businesses.

The investment concerns the technological, organizational and commercial improvement or/and the reorganization of the firm's and its products/services.

Below are the economic sectors which are being financed by the Program:

- Agri-food /food industry
- Energy sector
- Environmental sector
- Information & communication technologies (ICT)
- Logistics
- Health and pharmaceutical industry
- Materials – construction
- Creative and cultural industries



# **DIGITAL step**

DIGITAL UPGRADING OF ENTERPRISES



The enterprise has been co-financed by the Action, which aims at the digital upgrade of very small, small and medium - sized enterprises.

The investment concerns new ICT equipment, software and digital services.