Enterprise Estonia's Innovation and Development Vouchers — Small Grants Buying SMEs Access to University Expertise

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Quality score: 52/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Enterprise Estonia's vouchers paid up to 70–80% of SMEs' purchases of R&D; services from universities; a 2020 matched-comparison evaluation of 2014–2020 support found the R&D; voucher raised beneficiaries' employment by about 12.5%.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	1/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-11-15

Enterprise Estonia (EAS), now Estonian Business and Innovation Agency (EIS) — accessed 2026-11-15

EU Cohesion Policy evaluation poster — Estonia 2014–2020 entrepreneurship & innovation support (2020) — accessed 2026-11-15

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