

ZICER Zagreb Innovation Centre — city-backed equity-free startup accelerator

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Quality score: 52/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

City of Zagreb's equity-free startup hub (est. 2002): Startup Factory has launched 80+ companies; in 2023 Global Growth gave 6 startups €120,000 in grants. Budget ≈ €1.3 M/year; city contributes €800 K. No equity or fees taken.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-06-21

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