

Net-Zero Industry Act (NZIA)

How to apply?

Requirements:



Located within the EU



Contribute to the achievement of the objectives set out in Art. 1 of NZIA



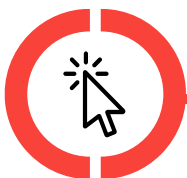
Satisfy at least one selection criterion*

- * Contribution to resilience via added manufacturing capacity;
- * Positive supply-chain effects via innovation i.e. supporting skills development or SMEs;
- * Contribution to EU's climate and energy aims via improved manufacturing practices.

Advantages:

- ✓ Priority status for receiving institutional support (spatial planning, EIA)
- ✓ Access to info about financing opportunities
- ✓ Faster permit granting
- ✓ Streamlined dispute resolution procedure
- ✓ Can employ "overriding public interest" clause for environmental laws

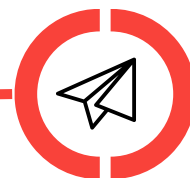
Application procedure:



1. Register on EU Login to access Application form



2. Fill out the EU Survey (Application form)



3. Send Application with evidence to Member State via EU Send platform

Decision of acceptance within 1 month (possible extension of 30 days)

Application Tracks:

Standard application (link):

1. Net-zero technology manufacturing projects that produce qualifying items **primarily used*** to produce net-zero technologies.

** Product/component is listed in Annex of NZIA or proven to authorities (via application) to be primarily used to produce net-zero technologies.*

2. Energy-intensive industry **decarbonization projects**: in the steel, aluminum, non-ferrous metals, chemicals, cement, lime, glass, ceramics, fertilizers, pulp & paper sectors that:

- produce products or components relevant to net-zero supply chains (without exclusively supplying net-zero off-takers) and
- reduce emission rates of CO₂ of industrial processes significantly and permanently.

Fast track application (link):

Projects within:

- ETS Innovation Fund;
- IPCEI;
- Hydrogen Valleys & Hydrogen Bank;
- Cohesion fund located in “less developed and transition regions” or Just Transition Fund territories.

Evidence to put in the application

(For standard track applicants):

- Relevant info on fulfilling the selection criteria
- Business plan evaluating the financial viability of the project
- Project timetable



Which Technologies (final products, components & parts) Qualify?

- Solar (photovoltaics, solar thermal electric)
- Onshore wind and offshore renewables
- Battery and energy storage
- Heat pumps and geothermal energy
- Other renewable energy
- Hydrogen (including electrolyzers and fuel cells)
- Sustainable biogas and biomethane
- Carbon capture and storage
- Electricity grid (including electric charging technologies for transport and grid digitalization)
- Nuclear fission energy (including nuclear fuel cycle)
- Sustainable alternative fuels
- Hydropower
- Energy system-related energy efficiency technologies (including heat grids)
- Renewable fuels of non-biological origins
- Biotech climate and energy solutions
- Other transformative industrial technologies for decarbonization
- CO₂ transport and utilization
- Wind propulsion and electric propulsion for transportation
- Other nuclear technologies