

**CUMBRIA GROWTH FUND**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

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| **Business Name** |  |
| **Business Address** **(including Postcode)** |  |
| **Principal Activities** |  |
| **No of employees in Cumbria** |  |
| **No of employees worldwide** |  |
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| **Contact Details** **(including position)** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
| **Email** |  |
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| **Growth Hub Adviser** **(if applicable)** |  |
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| **Name of Project** |  |
| **Address of Project****(including postcode)** |  |
| **Last Approved Annual Accounts** |
| Turnover (£) |  |
| Cash on balance sheet (£) |  |
| Share capital (£) |  |
| Retained profits on balance sheet (£) |  |
| Profit for last financial year (£) |  |
| FTE employees |  |
| Names of directors |  |
| Names of main shareholders |  |
| **Group Eligibility – Last Approved Annual Accounts** |
| Is the business part of a group (more than 25% owned)?  | Yes/No |
| Is the business financially autonomous from the group? | Yes/No |
| Group name |  |
| Group turnover (£) |  |
| Group balance sheet (£) |  |
| Group FTE employees |  |
| ***Project Description*** *Describe in general terms how a CGF grant will be used and how it will help the business to grow and deliver outputs. What evidence do you have for demand? What are the timescales for the project? How does it fit with the strategic focus of the RGF Programme and the LEP.* |
| **Indicative Project Costs**  |
| Description  | Cost (£) |
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| **Total Project Costs**  |  |
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The amount of CGF grant requested should be the minimum required by your business to allow the project to proceed.

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| **CGF Grant Request** |  |
| **% of total project cost**  |  |
| **Need for CGF grant**(Please explain the need for grant support ) |

Projects cannot be 100% funded through a CGF grant and must comply with State Aid funding limits. You must demonstrate that you are able to secure the balance of the funding required from other sources of investment.

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| **Funding of Project** (List the sources of funding)  |
| **Funding Source**  | **Amount (£)**  | **Status (i.e. agreed/ in place)** |
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| **Total**  |  |  |

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| **State Aid** (refer to Section 3 of the RGF Guidance Note) Please indicate (√) which EC State Aid Exemption Regulation your grant request is made under  |
|  | GBER (and relevant Article) |  |
| or | De minimis |  |
| **Please indicate whether your business has received any public funding within the past three years** |
| Source of Public Funding  | Amount  |
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| **Outputs**  |  |  |
| Will the project create new jobs?  | Number of new jobs  | How will the project create new jobs? |
| YES/NO |  |  |
| Are existing jobs at risk?  | Number of jobs at risk  | How will the project safeguard jobs?  |
| YES/NO |  |  |
| Jobs safeguarded means a job which the business would lose within 12 months from the date which the company would first receive an offer of funding from Cumbria Growth Fund. (Confirmation in writing will be required as part of a full application). |

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| **Declaration and understanding** |
| I am content for information supplied here to be stored electronically and share in confidence with UNW LLP and the CGF Investment Panel who may be involved in considering the case.I declare that the information given on this form is correct and complete. |
| Signature of applicant |  |
| Print full name |  |
| Job title |  |
| Date |  |