



merSETA

MANUFACTURING, ENGINEERING
AND RELATED SERVICES SETA

merSETA DISCRETIONARY GRANT: 3rd FUNDING WINDOW FOR 2022/23 FINANCIAL YEAR APPLICATION: SPECIFIC INITIATIVES

Opening Date: **16 January 2023** and Closing **31 January 2023**

The Manufacturing, Engineering and Related Services Sector Education and Training Authority (merSETA) invites relevant stakeholders to apply for discretionary grants for the 2022/23 financial year (3rd Funding Window). The third funding Window aims to invite applications to address specific national and sector needs for the initiatives below listed.

1. Skills development programmes through partnerships with levy-paying and non-levy-paying employers, to address the following:
 - **Skills Programmes for employed learners**
 - **Learnerships for employed learners**
 - **Bursaries for employed learners (New and Continuing)**as identified in the merSETA Sector Skills Plan (SSP) and Annual Performance Plan.
2. Skills development programmes through partnerships with Organisations supporting bursaries, Higher Education Institutions and TVET Colleges (Public) to address the following:
 - **Bursaries for unemployed learners (New and Continuing)**
3. **Cooperative enterprise development** programmes for both manufacturing, engineering and related services (mer) occupations in demand and supporting business/organisation develop skills.
4. Skills development for **trade union** members.

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5. Community Education and Training (CET) College funded for merSETA occupational programmes, equipment and **workshop infrastructure** (excluding bricks and mortar).
6. Research – **TVET Growth Occupationally directed programmes.**

In addition, preference will be given to applications from the following stakeholder groups:

Who can apply?

- a) merSETA levy-paying and non-levy-paying employers
- b) Cooperatives operating within the mer-sector
- c) Trade Unions
- d) Higher Education Institutions
- e) TVET Colleges
- f) CET Colleges
- g) Research Organisations

Mandatory compliance documents

- Proof of company registration
- Valid Certificate Tax Clearance – must not have expired
- Valid B-BBEE Certificate or a sworn B-BBEE affidavit, where applicable

Failure to submit any of the above-listed documents will result in the disqualification of the applicationNew Applicants must provide proof of / track record of education & training / skills development capacity to deliver learning programme/s for which application addresses

How to Apply? (All applicants who submitted DG applications during the period November 2021 and April 2022 need not reapply as the evaluations are underway)

- a) All applications must be submitted through NSDMS via the Projects Portal Platform www.merseta.org.za



- b) The funding window opens on 16 January 2023 and closes on 31 January 2023
- c) merSETA reserves the right to request supplementary information where applicable, and applicants will be given 7 working days to submit the information or address any queries that merSETA may have concerning the applications submitted. **Failure to submit the supplementary information within the stipulated timeframe would lead to disqualification of that application.**
- d) The due date for submission will not be extended, and any late or incomplete application will not be considered.
- e) No email applications will be accepted.

