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Subsidy to accelerate Cyber Resilience Act compliance

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Strengthen the cybersecurity resilience of European SMEs by co-financing practical activities that help them comply with the EU Cyber Resilience Act (CRA), including cybersecurity assessments, implementation, testing and capability building.

€11.5m	50%	€30k	11 Dec
Total funding available	Co-financing rate	Maximum grant per SME	Application deadline

Programme parameters

Dimension	Requirements
Funding source	EU Digital Europe Programme, supported by ECCC and administered through the SECURE consortium
Eligible applicants	European micro, small and medium-sized enterprises with CRA-relevant products or activities
Eligible projects	CRA gap assessments, governance, risk management, remediation, security testing, training, implementation and documentation
Funding mechanism	50% of eligible project costs, capped at €30k; lump-sum grant
Project duration	Maximum 180 calendar days
Application	Online submission, eligibility assessment, technical evaluation and grant agreement
Funding mechanics	Optional 40% pre-financing of the grant; remaining funding follows successful implementation and approval of deliverables. Funding is competitive, not guaranteed.

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* If needed for you the 40% pre-financing must be requested when submitting the proposal

Key target group that eligible for this subsidy

The applicant must have fewer than 250 employees and meet the turnover threshold and/or the balance-sheet threshold. Linked and partner enterprises may affect the calculation. The smaller size-band thresholds above reflect the standard EU SME classification; Annex 1 explicitly states the overall SME limits.

Company in scope	Employees	Annual turnover	Annual balance sheet
European SME	<250	≤ €50m	≤ €43m

Please refer to **ANNEX 1: Appendix A, Company Eligibility Criteria** in the official SECURE Call Guidelines to verify that your company meets the eligibility requirements.

Application process

1. Register and submit company, financial and ownership documents
2. Prepare technical proposal, work packages, KPIs and budget
3. Submit online by 11 December 2026*
4. Eligibility check, technical evaluation and grant agreement
5. Implement project, submit evidence and receive final payment

How Nemko Digital can help: Nemko Digital can simplify the application process and strengthen clients' proposals by providing standardized CRA service descriptions, project plans, work packages, deliverables and budget inputs. This reduces preparation effort and improving the quality and competitiveness of subsidy applications.

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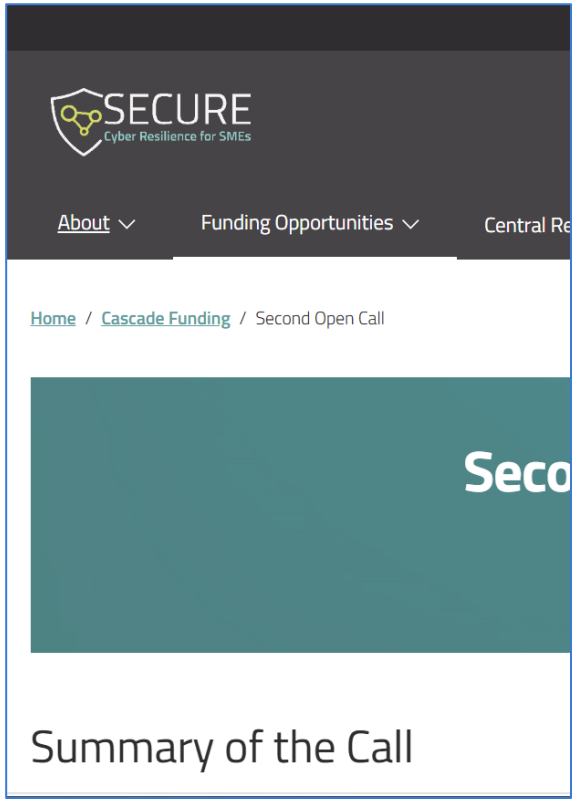
What will you find on the official SECURE website

Find all the information via this link: Second Open Call

What should you prepare: Company and ownership details, SME eligibility information, CRA relevant products, selected project activities, expected outcomes and a realistic budget.

Application documentation	Purpose
Annex 1: Call Guidelines	Eligibility, funding rules, evaluation and submission process
Annex 1.1: Proposal Template	Company profile, CRA project objectives, activities, work packages, deliverables and KPIs
Annex 1.2 & 1.3: Budget Guidelines & Template	Project costs, external services and requested subsidy
Annex 2: CRA Scope & Eligible Activities	Defines which CRA activities qualify for funding
Annex 3: Ownership & Control Declaration	Required company ownership and control information
Annex 5: Sample Sub-Grant Agreement	Contractual terms applicable if funding is awarded

Second Open Call



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Nemko's CRA readiness approach

A structured path from CRA applicability and gap assessment through remediation, validation and ongoing product security

0. Discovery & Alignment	1. Applicability & Requirements	2. Gap Analysis & Roadmap	3. Remediation & Controls	4. Validation, Testing & Certification	5. Enhancement & Monitoring
Discovery & Alignment Workshop	Regulatory Applicability Assessment	Compliance Gap Assessment	Vulnerability scanning	Product security assessment	Continuous product security testing
Compliance Program Planning	Compliance Requirements Baseline	Security Capability Assessment	Secure SDL design	SDL assessment	Product security monitoring
Stakeholder & Ownership Mapping	Open Issues Resolution	Execution Roadmap	SBOM & VM solution design	Vulnerability handling assessment	CVD intake & escalation
Regulatory Portfolio Screening			Compliance Operating Model	Conformity readiness check	Managed SBOM & vulnerability ops
			SBOM management		
			Risk assessment		
			Vulnerability handling and update		
			Secure SDL		
			Documentation and evidence		

Nemko Digital's modular CRA **services are designed to support SMEs at every stage of their compliance journey**, from initial assessment and planning to implementation, testing and ongoing security management, with **nearly all services potentially eligible for 50% EU co-financing under the SECURE programme.**

Explicitly out of scope of subsidy:
Formal CRA certification and accredited third-party conformity assessments (ANNEX 2 – cat 1,9 & 15), as well as activities unrelated to CRA compliance, costs outside the eligible project scope, and activities already funded through other EU grants. See also ANNEX 2 for all details.

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Nemko offers modular CRA services eligible for 50% EU co-financing

Standardized service packages allow SMEs to accelerate CRA readiness while reducing their own investment through the SECURE programme.

Indicative pricing details depend on scope and complexity

Service package	Total fee	Net cost after grant*
CRA Applicability & Kick-start Training	€5–10k	€2.5–5k
CRA Gap Assessment & Roadmap	€10–15k	€5–7.5k
Vulnerability Handling & Reporting	€10–15k	€5–7.5k
Cybersecurity Risk Assessment	€10–15k	€5–7.5k
SBOM Design & Implementation Guidance	€5–10k	€2.5–5k
Secure SDL Design & Guidance	€10–15k	€5–7.5k
CRA Reporting Tabletop Exercise	€5–8k	€2.5–4k
CRA Implementation Support	Tailored	50%*
Cyber Product Security Testing	€8–12k	€4–6k

*SME contribution assumes approval and full eligibility of the proposed activities and costs, subject to the €30k grant cap. Indicative Nemko pricing is excluding applicable VAT. For all the services in scope for subsidy also see ANNEX 2.

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Get up to €30k in CRA funding via a structured application process

The SME owns the application, while Nemko provides standardized service and project information to make preparation easier.

Step	SME responsibility	Nemko support
1. Check eligibility	Confirm SME status and CRA relevance	Initial eligibility discussion
2. Select services	Identify CRA priorities and available budget	Recommend suitable CRA service packages
3. Prepare application	Complete proposal, company information and declarations	Provide standard service descriptions, deliverables and cost estimates
4. Submit application	Submit through the SECURE portal	Clarify service information if needed
5. Execute project	Manage grant obligations if approved	Deliver contracted CRA services

CONTACT NEMKO LATEST BY
1 December (earlier is better)
Recommended date to select services

APPLICATION DEADLINE
11 December
Official SECURE deadline, 2026

Contact you Nemko contact person so we can help you

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