Information communicated by the EFTA States regarding State aid granted under the Act referred to in point 1j of Annex XV of the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty) (General Block Exemption Regulation)

PART I

Aid reference	GBER 37/2019/R&D&I		
EFTA State	Norway		
Region	Name of the Region(s) All Regions	Regional aid status	
Granting authority	Name	The Research Council of Norway ¹	
	Postal address	P.O. Box 564 N-1327 Lysaker Norway	
	Web address	www.forskningsradet.no/	
Title of the aid measure	Chinese-Norwegian Collaboration Projects on Digitalisation ²		
National legal basis (Reference to the relevant national official publication)	The annual Budget documents (Proposition 1 to Stortinget, The Norwegian Parliament) and Letters of Allocation from the Letters of Allocation from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Education and Research, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries and other Ministries, in addition to bylaws and mandate of the Research Council of Norway ³ https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/footer/tildelingsbrev/		
Web link to the full text of the aid measure	The state aid scheme is published on the Research Council of Norway's webpage: https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/call-for-proposals/2019/chinese-norwegian-collaborative-projects-on-digitalisation/		

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¹ Official Norwegian name: Norges forskningsråd

² Official Norwegian name: Kinesisk-norske samarbeidsprosjekter om digitalisering

Official Norwegian name: Stortingsproposisjon nr. 1, tildelingsbrev fra Utenriksdepartementet, Kunnskapsdepartementet, Nærings- og fiskeridepartementet og andre departementer, samt Norges forskningsråds vedtekter og mandat.

Type of measure	Scheme	
Duration	Scheme	26.08.2019 to 31.12.2020
Economic sector(s) concerned	All economic sectors eligible to receive aid	
	Limited to certain sectors: Please specify at NACE group level	
Type of beneficiary	⊠ SME	
	☐ Large undertakings	
Budget	Total annual amount of the budget planned under the scheme	National currency 7 million NOK
Aid instrument	Grant/Interest rate subsidy	y

PART II

Primary objective -	Objectives		Maximum	SME -
General objectives	(list)		aid intensity	bonuses
(list)			in %	in %
			or	
			Maximum	
			annual aid	
			amount in	
			national	
			currency (in	
			full	
			amounts)	
Aid for research,	Aid for	Fundamental research	100 %	
development and	research	(Art. 25(2)(a))		
innovation	and	Industrial research	50%, this	20% for
(Arts. 25 - 30)	develop-	(Art. 25(2) b))	may be	small
	ment		increased by	enterpris
	projects		15% up to a	es, 10%
	(Art. 25)		maximum	for
			aid intensity	medium
			of 80%	sized
			when the	

	conditions	enterpris
	in Article 25	es
	no. 6 (b) (i)	
	or (ii) are	
	fulfilled	
	25%, this	20% for
development	may be	small
(Art. 25(2)(c))	increased by	enterpris
	15%	es, 10%
	provided	for
	that the	medium
	conditions	sized
	in Article 25	enterpris
	no. 6 (b) (i)	es
	or (ii) are	
	fulfilled	