

Increasing competitiveness through investing in SME innovation



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HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS

Facts and figures

50%
LANDMASS



10% POPULATION



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£21,77

GVA
(£23,685)

£26,935

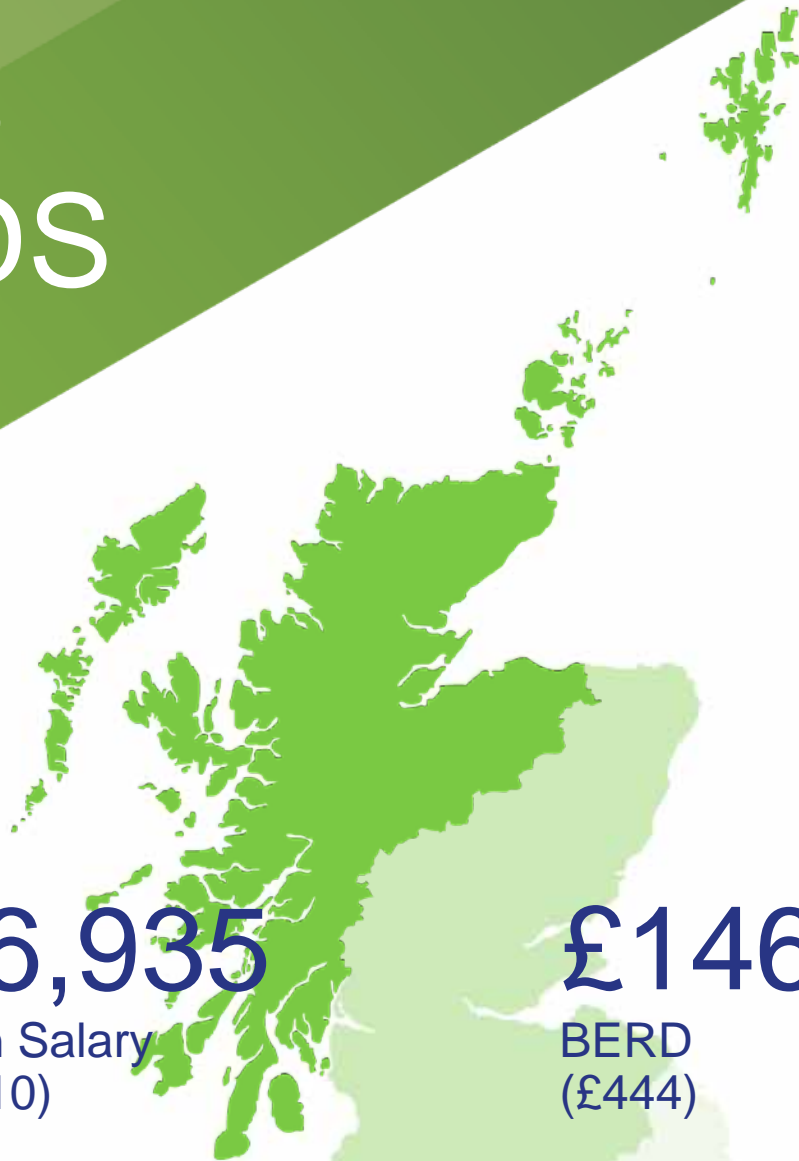
Median Salary
(£27,710)

£146

BERD
(£444)

32 business start-ups per 10,000 people (26)

Scottish figures in brackets



PUBLIC SECTOR SUPPORT

Deeper

INNOVATE UK

INNOVATION CENTRES

Aquaculture | Digital Health | Biotechnology | Sensors | Data | Oil and gas | Construction | Medicine

HIE INNOVATION SUPPORT (ACCOUNT TEAM)

NORTHERN INNOVATION HUB

CO-INNOVATE

INTERFACE

INNOVATE YOUR BUSINESS

Argyll & the Islands

Innse Gall

Lochaber, Skye & Wester Ross

Inner Moray Firth

Caithness & Sutherland

Moray

Orkney

Shetland

Wider

INNOVATE YOUR BUSINESS

- **1 TO 1 ADVICE**

- Innovation advice
- Research and Development advice
- Clinics

- **FUNDING**

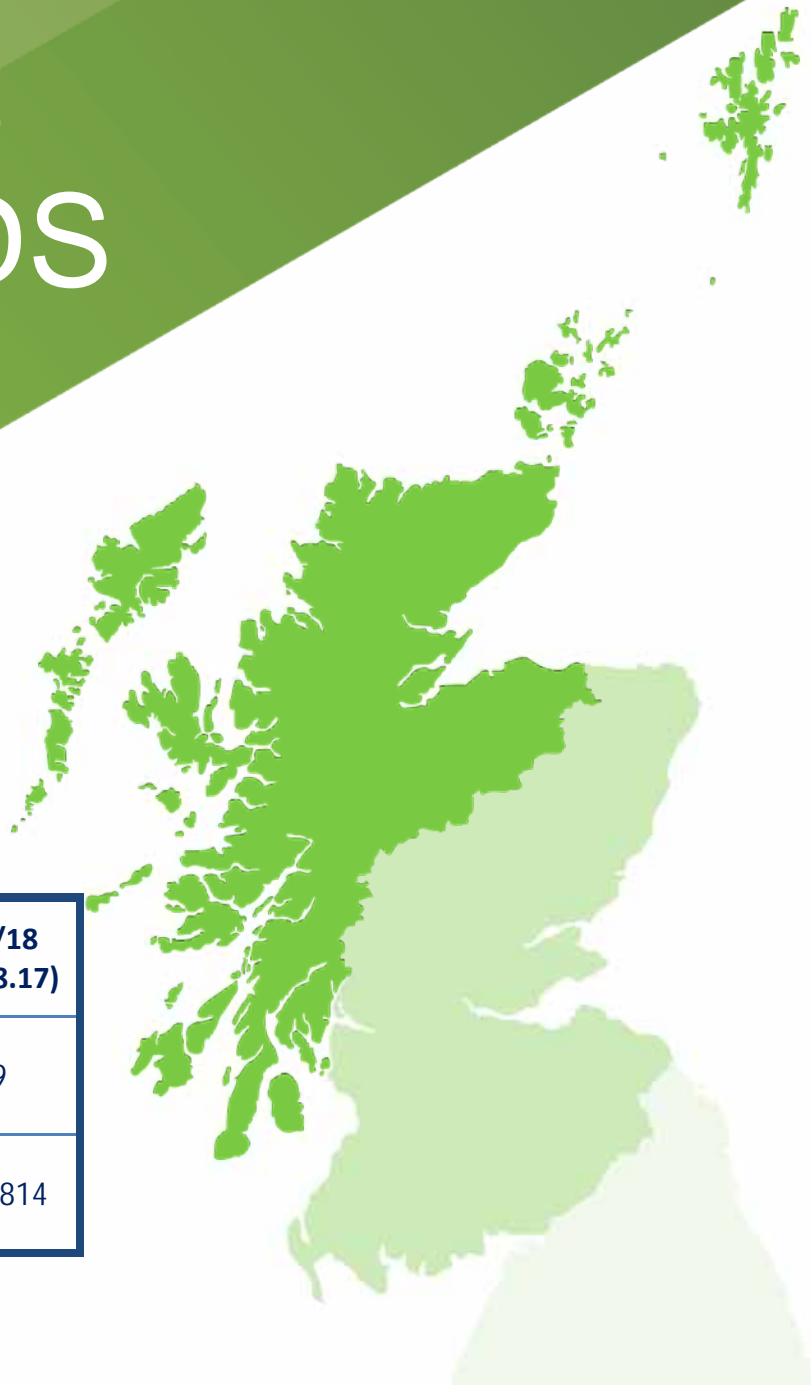
- 100% funding up to £5k
- 50% up to £15k
- Research and development grants
- Support for applications to SMART, H2020, Innovate UK, etc.

- **GROUP WORKSHOPS ON COMMON CHALLENGE ISSUES**



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Business Innovation



Support to business	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18 (to 31.8.17)
Advice	378	561	199
HIE R&D grants (£)	1,429,260	1,472,195	1,904,814



THANK YOU