



Name of the instrument in English	Corporate Tax
Country	 Germany
Type of instrument	Tax incentives

Level of operation	National
Part of the country where the instrument applies	nap
Region(s) in which the instrument applies	nap
Sector(s) in which the instrument applies	nap
Legal basis	Corporate tax law
Objective(s) and target(s)	To arrive at a fair tax burden for companies by allowing them to deduct training costs (as the costs to run business) from their tax base (i.e. net profits).
Year of introduction	1920
Year of termination	No foreseen end to the instrument (on-going)
Governance (management, operation, monitoring and evaluation)	The Federal Ministry of Finance is responsible for the overall management and monitoring/evaluation of the instrument. Tax authorities are responsible for day-to-day operation.
Eligible group(s)	All companies
Education and training eligible	The instrument supports apprenticeship and other types of education and training. It supports any form of in-company-training or training that is financed by the company.
Source of financing and collection mechanism	State (loss of tax revenue)
Financing formula and allocation mechanisms	The maximum amount/share of eligible expenditure that a company may deduct is not specified (no limit).
Eligible costs	Tax incentive covers all expenses companies incur in relation to doing business. In relation to apprenticeship, the tax incentive covers apprentice remuneration, social insurance contributions, training and learning materials, costs of trainers, training equipment. If companies pay

	levies into training funds, these contributions are also tax deductible.
Volumes of funding	In 2016, the public funding involved (loss of State's revenue) amounted to EUR 1,230,000,000.
Beneficiaries/take up	In 2015, 427,496 companies were employing apprentices. The figure does not necessarily correspond to the number of companies taxed according to corporate tax law.
Monitoring/evaluation reports available	na

Related apprenticeship schemes

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