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Global Innovation Linkages Programme

The Global Innovation Linkages programme provides funding to assist Australian businesses and researchers to collaborate with global partners from priority economies on strategically focused, leading-edge research and development projects. It will advance Australia's international collaboration and encourage Australians to leverage entrepreneurial expertise found in key locations overseas.

What does it offer?

Funding of up to \$1 million per project will be provided over a maximum of four years.

The Global Innovation Linkages programme was announced as part of the National Innovation and Science Agenda. This is an ongoing programme with an initial funding allocation of \$18 million to 2020-21. We expect to hold a funding round every two years.

The programme objectives are to:

- build linkages with priority economies to enable Australia to improve research and business performance, and access international supply chains and global markets
- contribute to improving the competitiveness, productivity and sustainability of Australian and priority economies in line with government priorities
- foster high quality solutions to identified end user challenges through international collaborative research partnerships between industry, research organisations and global partners
- encourage and facilitate small and medium enterprise (SME) participation in collaborative research.

Who can apply?

Collaborative projects and participants must include, at a minimum:

- one Australian industry entity,
- one Australian research organisation, and
- one global partner from a priority economy.

How do I apply?

You must submit your Application Form <https://forms.business.gov.au/smartforms/landing.htm?formCode=GIL> on business.gov.au by the advertised closing date.

Please read the Programme Guidelines <https://www.business.gov.au/-/media/Business/GIL/Global-Innovation-Linkages-programme-Guidelines-PDF.ashx?la=en> before you apply.

What will I need to do if successful?

You will need to sign a grant agreement with the Australian Government and will need to submit annual progress reports.

What are the priority economies?

You must have support from at least one global partner from a priority economy:

European Union, United States, India, China, Japan, South Korea, Israel, Taiwan, Vietnam, Brazil, Singapore, New Zealand and Switzerland.

A key consideration in the evaluation of projects will be the capacity of the project to leverage international funding and support. Grant funding cannot be used to fund activities of global partners.

What are the priority areas?

Your project must be in one of the following priority areas:

- Advanced Manufacturing – www.amgc.org.au
- Food and Agribusiness – www.fial.com.au
- Medical Technologies and Pharmaceuticals – www.mtpconnect.org.au
- Mining Equipment, Technology and Services – www.metsignited.org
- Oil, Gas and Energy Resources – www.nera.org.au

These priority areas align with the Australian Government's Industry Growth Centres Initiative. Applications for funding are expected to align with the relevant Growth Centre's key themes, vision, strategic direction and/or Industry Knowledge Priorities. Applicants are strongly encouraged to engage with the relevant Growth Centre in developing a proposal. Further information on the Industry Growth Centre Initiative is available at www.business.gov.au and Growth Centres' websites are available at the links above.

Is there a limit on the number of applications I can submit?

An organisation can submit up to two applications in the first round as the lead participant, but may be a participant in additional applications.

Where can I find more information?

Visit business.gov.au/GIL or call 13 28 46.

