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FACTSHEET

Applying for CA funding

If you are thinking of applying for *Commercialisation Australia* funding it is important to be aware of the application process. *Commercialisation Australia* is a competitive, merit based program and only the strongest applications are successful.

This factsheet sets out what you need to know to apply for assistance.

Who can apply?

Commercialisation Australia is a flexible program designed to suit the needs of each successful applicant. Assistance can be accessed by companies, researchers and individuals.

To be eligible for *Commercialisation Australia*, an applicant must be one of the following:

- a non tax-exempt company incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001*
- a researcher applying through an Australian university or Publicly Funded Research Agency (PFRA) commercialisation office
- an individual or researcher applying through an eligible partner entity
- an individual who agrees to form a non tax-exempt company incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* if the application is successful.

What are the steps in applying?

Step 1. Read the *Commercialisation Australia Customer Information Guide*, which helps potential applicants to determine whether they may be eligible to apply for support, and understand the requirements and obligations of the funding agreement.

Step 2. Download the Stage 1 Application form from the *Commercialisation Australia* website at www.commercialisationaustralia.gov.au.

Step 3. Complete and submit the Stage 1 Application form. The information you provide on this form helps to determine the eligibility and merit of your project proposal and the type of support for which you may consider applying.

Step 4. Commercialisation Australia will contact you to discuss your Stage 1 Application, project proposal and eligibility. If your project is identified as being suitable you will be provided with a copy of the Stage 2 Application form.

Step 5. Complete the Stage 2 Application form and submit it as a draft for feedback from Commercialisation Australia. Comprehensive feedback will be provided on your application - this process may take a couple of weeks.

Step 6. Review your draft application and submit a final Stage 2 Application. Once submitted you will be notified as to whether your application for funding is successful.

How are applications assessed?

Commercialisation Australia applications are assessed on a continuous basis by the Commercialisation Australia Board. Applications are assessed competitively against five merit criteria, and funding offers are allocated based on the merit ranking by the Board. More information on the merit criteria and the application process is available from the Customer Information Guide.

What happens if I am successful?

Successful applicants will need to execute a *Commercialisation Australia* funding agreement with the Commonwealth within 30 days of being notified in order to receive grant funding and access to a Case Manager.

Further information

For further information about *Commercialisation Australia*, visit the website at www.commercialisationaustralia.gov.au. Alternatively, contact the *Commercialisation Australia* hotline on 13 22 56.

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