

Decarbonisation innovation - Seed projects

Refer to Grant Guidelines for instructions on completing this form. Note that each Network issues its own guidelines and these guidelines may vary between calls. Ensure that you address the appropriate guidelines.

Land and Primary Industries Network Collaborative Projects Funding Program Call for proposals 2023

- Consortia of eligible organisations may submit applications to this Call. Eligibility requirements are specified in Grant Guidelines.
- Applications are due by 5 PM on 15 December, 2023. Late applications will not be accepted.
- Applications must be submitted by email to apply@decarbhub.au with the subject line 'LPI Network Call for Proposals 2023 Grant application'. You will receive a reply email confirming your submission has been received.
- Written responses must keep to the prescribed character/word/page limits, including formatting requirements for attachments – see Part C of this form.
 - **If your responses exceed the limits, your application may be deemed ineligible and not assessed for potential funding.**
 - You may format your responses for clarity (e.g. using headings), but you must stay within the formatting parameters outlined in this form.
 - Attachment C1 (Technical Project Description) may use images, provided your responses stay within the prescribed limits.
- Only include attachments where prompted. The checklist at Part C summarises acceptable/required attachments. Any other attachments will be disregarded.

If you have any questions or enquiries about this form, please contact info@decarbhub.au.



Part A: Proposal summary

Project Title <i>Max 98 characters</i>			
Lead applicant	Title	Name	Name
	Position		
	Phone	E-mail	
Lead applicant organisation <i>The organisation that will administer the grant and lead collaboration on the project</i>	Organisation Name		
	ABN	Registered for GST?	Yes No
	Postal address		
	Suburb	State	Postcode
Primary contact in lead organisation <i>An office holder who is authorised to speak on behalf of the organisation and collaboration. Universities should provide a contact in their research office or equivalent</i>	Title	Name	
	Position		
	Phone	E-mail	
Short project description <i>Max 150 words</i> <i>This description may be used in marketing and reporting of the project if it is funded. It does not form part of the proposal assessment.</i>			
Project start and end dates	Start	End	Months
Funding requested	\$	Funding stream	



Part B: Assessment criteria

Assessment criterion 1: Alignment with LPI Network strategy and scope

Funding Stream 1: Weight 24%, Threshold 8%

Funding Stream 2: Weight 10%, no threshold

B1 Outline the goals, approach, partnership, and prospective outcomes of the proposed project. Explain how the project addresses the LPI Network Strategy, particularly one or more of the six Priority Focus Areas (PFA) identified in the LPI Network Workplan 2023-26.

Note: Other topics aligned with the overall scope of the LPI Network as defined in the Workplan, but not specifically with any of the PFAs, may be considered, if a particularly strong and credible case for significant emissions abatement and co-benefits is made under Assessment Criterion B4 (below).

Max 500 words



Assessment criterion 2: Project quality and innovation

Funding Stream 1: Weight 16%, Threshold 8%

Funding Stream 2: Weight 10%, no threshold

B2 Identify the key knowledge or capability gap the project addresses, and describe the proposed technology, service or process to be developed to address that gap. If relevant to the project topic, refer to the current technology readiness level (TRL) and how the project will advance the relevant capability to a higher TRL. Demonstrate how the project is unique, novel, and does not in substance replicate all or part of an existing project or initiative, funded from any source.

Note: R&D activities encompassed by the NSW Decarbonisation Innovation Hub generally focus on TRL levels 3-6. Exceptions may apply for enabling activities targetting e.g. capacity building, regional planning, market development, policy and regulation.

Max 500 words



Assessment criterion 3: Partnership and collaboration

Funding Stream 1: Weight 10%, no threshold

Funding Stream 2: Weight 20%, no threshold

B3 Provide details of the collaborating team and/or consortium members, their contributions to the project, relevant expertise and capability, and their track record of past successful work of relevance to the requirements of the project. Explain how the partnership(s) brought together by the project represent genuine and meaningful collaboration that adds value relative to past individual or collaborative efforts of the involved organisations.

Note: Proposals must include at least one LPIN partner organisation and at least one industry, community or state government entity having a footprint in NSW. Larger and broader collaborations are encouraged, where this adds value to the feasibility and prospective impact of the activity. Refer to the Grant Guidelines for details.

Max 500 words



Assessment criterion 4: Translation opportunity

Funding Stream 1: Weight 20%, Threshold 10%

Funding Stream 2: Weight 20%, no threshold

B4 Describe the aspirational outcomes of the project, and the anticipated pathway to achieve those outcomes, including through further actions and steps beyond the lifetime of the project, e.g. through commercialisation, adoption or deployment of a technology, service or process developed by the project. Quantify, with evidence if possible, the forecasted emissions abatement, identified economic, environmental and social co-benefits, for NSW and its regions, where relevant, in the wider context of industry-level, national or global scenarios or trends. Medium term (2030-2035) and prospective longer-term (2050 or beyond) outcomes should be distinguished. Credible evidence in support of claims regarding the quantum of potential abatement and/or co-benefits will favour the positive assessment of the proposal against this criterion.

Note: Proposals must reflect the mission of the NSW Decarbonisation Innovation Hub in supporting the NSW Government's goal of achieving net zero emissions by 2050, a 50% reduction in emissions relative to a 2005 baseline by 2030, and a 70% reduction by 2035.

Max 500 words



Assessment criterion 5: Future potential

Funding Stream 1: Weight 10%, no threshold

Funding Stream 2: Weight 20%, no threshold

B5 Outline your strategy to undertake and fund longer-term work building further on the results of the proposed project, and the prospective outcomes of such work, with reference to the scope of the LPI Network and the goal of the NSW Decarbonisation Innovation Hub to accelerate decarbonisation and generate co-benefits for the economy, environment and people of NSW and its regions.

Max 300 words



Part C: Required attachments

Formatting requirements for attachments C1, C3, C4 and C5.

- The attachment number from the list below, the full name of the lead applicant, and page number should appear in the header field of each page of the document.
- Font – Calibri, Times New Roman, Arial or Helvetica 11 pt or higher. 10 pt text may be used for references, web links or table cell contents. Embedded figures may include smaller fonts, but must be clearly legible when document is printed at normal size in black and white.
- Margin spacing – 1.91 cm or higher.
- Line spacing – single spaced or higher.
- Document format – PDF.

Tick the relevant checkboxes below to confirm that the required attachments are provided with your application.

C1 - Technical project description, max 2 A4 page with subheadings: *Aims and objectives – Project components, tasks and responsibilities – Dissemination plan – Other relevant information – Reference list.*

C2 - Project budget, using the budget spreadsheet provided with the application form. The spreadsheet contains worksheets with detailed guidance on how to complete it. Note: specified cash and in-kind contributions must be confirmed prior to execution of the funding agreement, in the event the proposal is successful. Funding will be withdrawn if the co-contributions foreseen in the proposal budget are not forthcoming.

C3 - Justification of requested funding, max 1 A4 page. Fully justify in terms of need and cost the requested cost items for which funding is sought from the Grant.

C4 - Details of co-contributions, max 1 A4 page. Provide an explanation of how cash and in-kind co-contributions will support the proposed project, including what the Lead Applicant Organisation, participating industry and other partner organisations will contribute to the project.

C5 - CV max 2 pages each for lead applicant and project participants named in this application.

C6 – Support letters from organisations providing cash or in-kind co-contributions and/or participating in the project (optional for LPI Network Core Partner Organisations).

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