**DIN PILOT PROJECTS**

**Application Form**

For more information regarding the process, please refer to the Pilot Project Guidelines or contact[info@defenceinnovationnetwork.com](mailto:info@defenceinnovationnetwork.com)

1. **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

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| PROJECT NAME |  |
| LEAD UNIVERSITY |  |
| CHIEF INVESTIGATOR |  |
| CONTACT E-MAIL |  |
| PHONE |  |
| **PROJECT DATES** | |
| START DATE: |  |
| END DATE: |  |
| PROJECT DURATION (MONTHS) |  |
| **PROJECT CONTRIBUTION** | |
| DIN CASH ($) |  |
| IN-KIND ($) |  |

**I have attached university support letters**

**PROJECT AIM** *(30 words max)*

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**NEED AND RELEVANCE TO RESEARCH PRIORITY AREAS** Which problem statement are you addressing? How will the project contribute to a Defence or Industry capability or need? Who are the likely or intended end-users or platforms, or what are the possible paths to commercialisation? (80 *words max)*

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1. **PROJECT SUMMARY** *(less than 700 words)*

* **OBJECTIVES:** Consider the duration and scope of the project – what sort of deliverables can be accomplished within these constraints?

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* **METHODOLOGY/APPROACH:** This should provide enough detail to assess skills, expertise, application and feasibility – and to distinguish new research – noting that you have another two pages to provide more detail on instrumentation, facilities, track record, and support.

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* **HYPOTHESIS OR RESEARCH QUESTIONS:** These should help provide a basis for rapid go/no-go decision-making on feasibility, scaling up research, follow-up testing and evaluation, and paths to commercialisation.

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* **ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES:** Briefly summarise impact, benefits and pathway to implementation or commercialisation.

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1. **PROJECT DETAILS**

* **PROJECT PARTICIPANTS, PROJECT SHARES**

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| **Participant** | **E-Mail** | **IP (Y/N)** | **Indicative IPShare (%)** |
| **LEAD ORGANISATION:** | | | |
| *Investigator 1* |  |  |  |
| *Investigator 2* |  |  |  |
| *Investigator 3* |  |  |  |
| **COLLABORATING ORGANISATION 1:** | | | |
| *Investigator 1* |  |  |  |
| *Investigator 2* |  |  |  |
| **COLLABORATING ORGANISATION 2:** | | | |
| *Investigator 1* |  |  |  |
| *Investigator 2* |  |  |  |
| **TOTAL** |  |  | **100%** |

* **INDUSTRY PARTNER** (if applicable) If an industry partner is part of your project, please provide more details. Add rows if needed.

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| ***ABN number:*** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| ***Contact Person:*** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| ***Category:*** | Choose an item. |
| ***No of employees:*** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| ***Annual turnover:*** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| ***Company description, including profile and product information:*** | Click or tap here to enter text. |

* **PROJECT OBJECTIVES** (1 paragraph)

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* **POTENTIAL OUTCOMES AND IMPACT** The potential game-changing capabilities and technologies likely to arise from the project. Benefits to Defence and Defence Industry, the commercial potential of the expected outputs, and any spill-over benefits. Implementation pathway. *(<1 page)*

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* **DEMONSTRATED END-USER SUPPORT**

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* **METHODOLOGY** The methodology to be applied to achieve the outcomes and adoption of the new technologies. (< 2 pages)

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* **TEAM** The team must contain participants from at least two DIN member universities. Teams should demonstrate that they have comprehensively analysed the project’s needs to ensure success and have assembled an appropriate group of experts to ensure delivery. (< 1 page)

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* **TEAM DIVERSITY** DIN encourages the participation of diverse project teams in the program. Please explain how the group meets the diversity requirements (gender, culture, career level, etc.) (1 paragraph)

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1. **BUDGET** *Please refer to Pilot Project Guidelines for more information about eligible and ineligible expenses.*

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| **Lead University:** | | | | | | | |
| **SALARY EXPENSES**  **Staff Name** | **Position, Level, Step** | **Base Salary $** | **FTE %** | **Salary On-cost max 30%** | **Total Salary $** | **In-kind $** | **DIN-funded $** |
| Investigator 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investigator 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investigator 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **INDIRECT EXPENSES**  **Category** | **Details** | | | **Total $** | | **In-kind $** | **DIN-funded $** |
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| **Collaborating University:** | | | | | | | |
| **SALARY EXPENSES**  **Staff Name** | **Position, Level, Step** | **Base Salary $** | **FTE %** | **Salary On-cost max 30%** | **Total Salary $** | **In-kind $** | **DIN-funded $** |
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| **Total Project Expenses – All Collaborating Universities** | | | | | | **In-kind $** | **DIN-funded $** |

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Breakdown of the salary on-cost expenses as per university policyProof of citizenship of the named personnel working on the project

* **BUDGET JUSTIFICATION** Describe how DIN funding will be used. (<1/2 page)

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* **CO-FUNDING OPTIONS** Explain how the project might relate to funding schemes, e.g. ASCA, ARC Linkage, Innovation Connections, and CRCP.

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* **RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS –** FTE in-kind contribution (infrastructure support for DIN-funded staff, other in-kind contributions for equipment, laboratories, etc.)

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* **CONTRIBUTIONS FROM DEFENCE / DSTG**

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* **CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE MADE BY THIRD PARTIES –** FTE in-kind contribution (infrastructure support for DIN funded staff, other in-kind contributions for the use of equipment, laboratories, etc.)

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1. **RISK ANALYSIS TO PROJECT ACHIEVEMENT, POTENTIAL TO BE SURPASSED BY EVENT** Analysis of project competitors, project differentiation. (<1/2 page)

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1. **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY** Overview of IP Agreement.(100 words)

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* **BACKGROUND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SCHEDULE**

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| **Description** | **Owner of background IP** | **Name of party making the background IP available (if not owner)** | **Restriction on use of background IP** |
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1. **COMMERCIALISATION OF PROJECT IP/ROUTE TO MARKET/IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

This section encourages participating teams to consider the commercialisation track of their intended deliverable, even if the product/item/service will not yet be commercialisation-ready. This aligns with the Defence Innovation Network’s goals to support the translation of university research into developed products and services.

* **TECHNOLOGICAL READINESS** Estimate the progress on the TRL scale (1-9) or change in TRL for any technology this project will support. Please refer to the [British Council TRL classification](https://www.britishcouncil.id/sites/default/files/annex_2_technology_readiness_level_trl_033020_final.pdf)

Explain your specific assessment of the TRL by briefly describing what tasks you have taken and will undertake to demonstrate achieving the specified TRL.

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| ***TRL demonstration tasks to be completed:*** | Click or tap here to enter text. |

* **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN** Describe steps and resources needed to be taken for the project/ technology to progress to a more mature phase. Explain briefly how your product or technology will move on the TRL scale, what commercial readiness activities you will undertake, and at what points. For example, connecting with potential commercialisation partners, signing an MoU, creating a prototype, and developing a systems engineering plan, as well as types and sources of funding and resources that can potentially assist at each step.

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* **COMMERCIALISATION PARTNERS** What is the role of the industry partner/s in the commercialisation process? Identify companies that could help get the product or technology to the market. Please include the name and website link. This also applies to projects where an industry partner is not part of the proposal. (Please add more lines if needed.)

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| **Company name** | **Website** | **Existing connection** |
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1. **EDUCATION/TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES, STUDENT REQUIREMENTS,** including how the project will contribute to capacity and capability building in the Australian Defence industry and related industry and research sectors.

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1. **PROJECT MILESTONES/OUTPUTS**

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| **Project Milestones** | **Responsible Investigator** | **Date Due** |
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1. **HAVE PROJECTED DEED POLLS (CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS/IP ASSIGNMENT) BEEN COMPLETED FOR ALL STAFF AND STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT?** *(if applicable)*

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1. **HAVE MORAL RIGHTS WAIVER FORMS BEEN COMPLETED FOR ALL PERSONNEL FOR THIS PROJECT?** *(if applicable)*

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1. **WHAT APPROPRIATE APPROVALS (ETHICS, ACCESS TO DEFENCE FACILITIES, SECURITY CLEARANCES) ARE REQUIRED FOR THIS PROJECT, AND HOW WILL THEY BE OBTAINED?** *(if applicable)*

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1. **SPECIAL CONDITIONS,** *E.g. go/no-go decisions, success conditions, trial reliance, etc., payment of project funds. (if applicable)*

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