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# Future Flight: Regional Demonstrator

## Applicant Briefing

Date: 19/05/2025

**The webinar will start at 15:30.**

- Welcome, we are currently waiting for more people to join.
- This briefing will be recorded. A copy of the slides and the recording link will be made available on IFS.
- Please enter any questions that you may have into the Q&A Box.
- For more information on the competition process, please click [here](#) to access our YouTube channel.



# Welcome and Introductions

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# Agenda

- Key Dates
- Competition Summary & Scope
- Eligibility Criteria
- Innovation Funding Service (IFS)
- Funding Rules
- Assessment
- Use of AI
- Additional Support
- Q&A



# Key Dates

Timeline	Dates
Competition Opened	12th of May 2025
Submission Deadline	11th of June 2025 at 11am
Applicants informed	3rd of July 2025 by 5pm
Project start and end dates	Start on 1st of September 2025 End by 31st of March 2026

# Competition Summary & Scope



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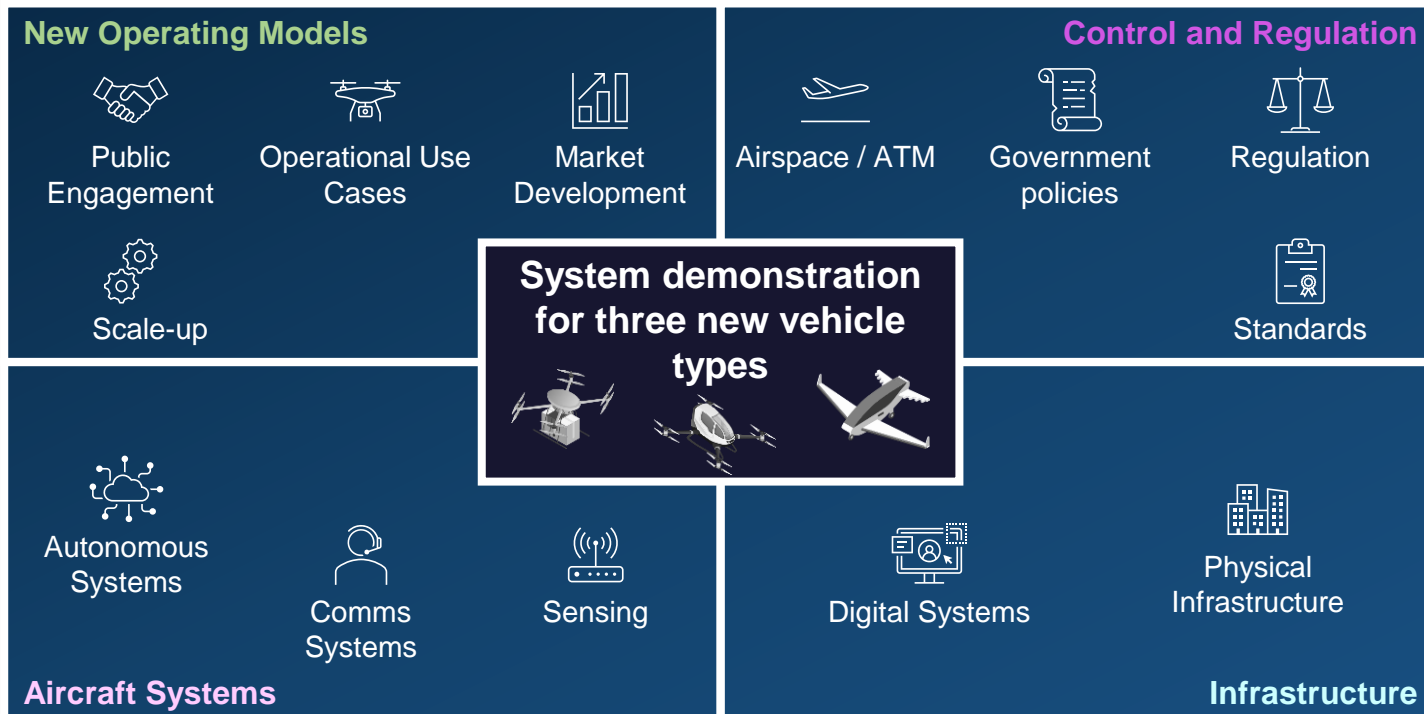
# Future Flight Challenge Context

The Future Flight Challenge is driven by creating growth and new market opportunities from better connectivity

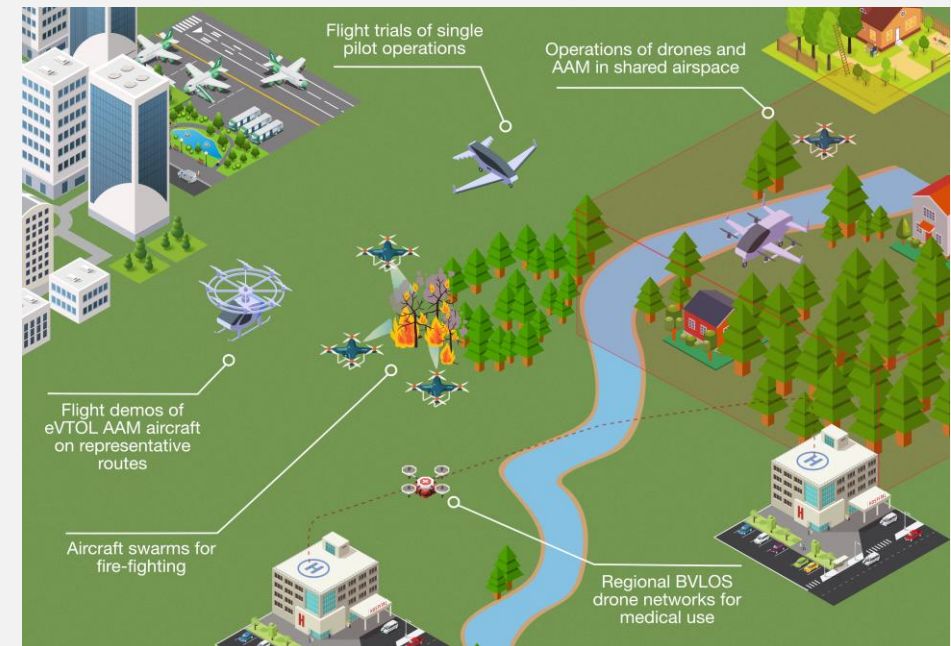


# Future Flight Challenge Context

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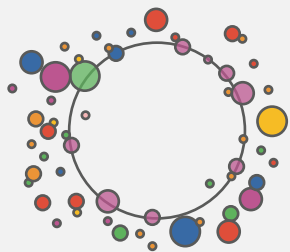


..and deliver challenging real-world use cases with huge market potential ...

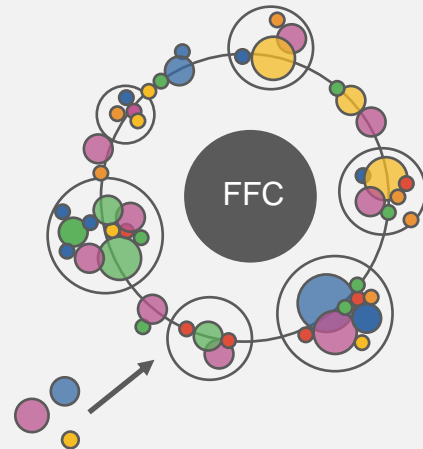


... with a people-based focus on social benefits and desirability

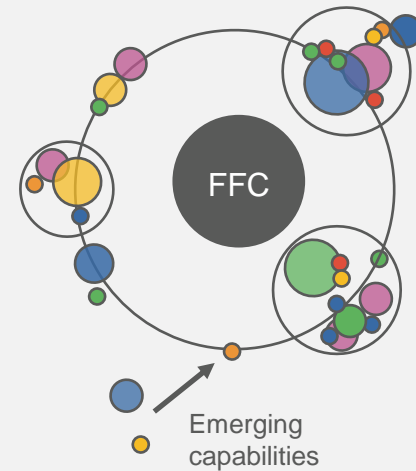
# A multi-phase programme, developing a community



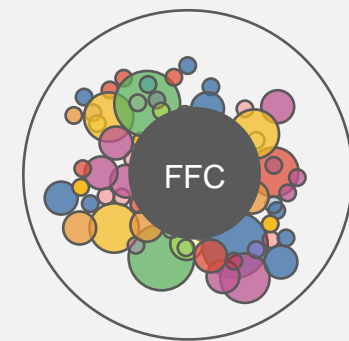
Exploring concepts, setting the vision and building the community



Full development of multiple, competing aviation system concepts



Realisation and demonstration of aviation systems with real use cases for 3 vehicle classes

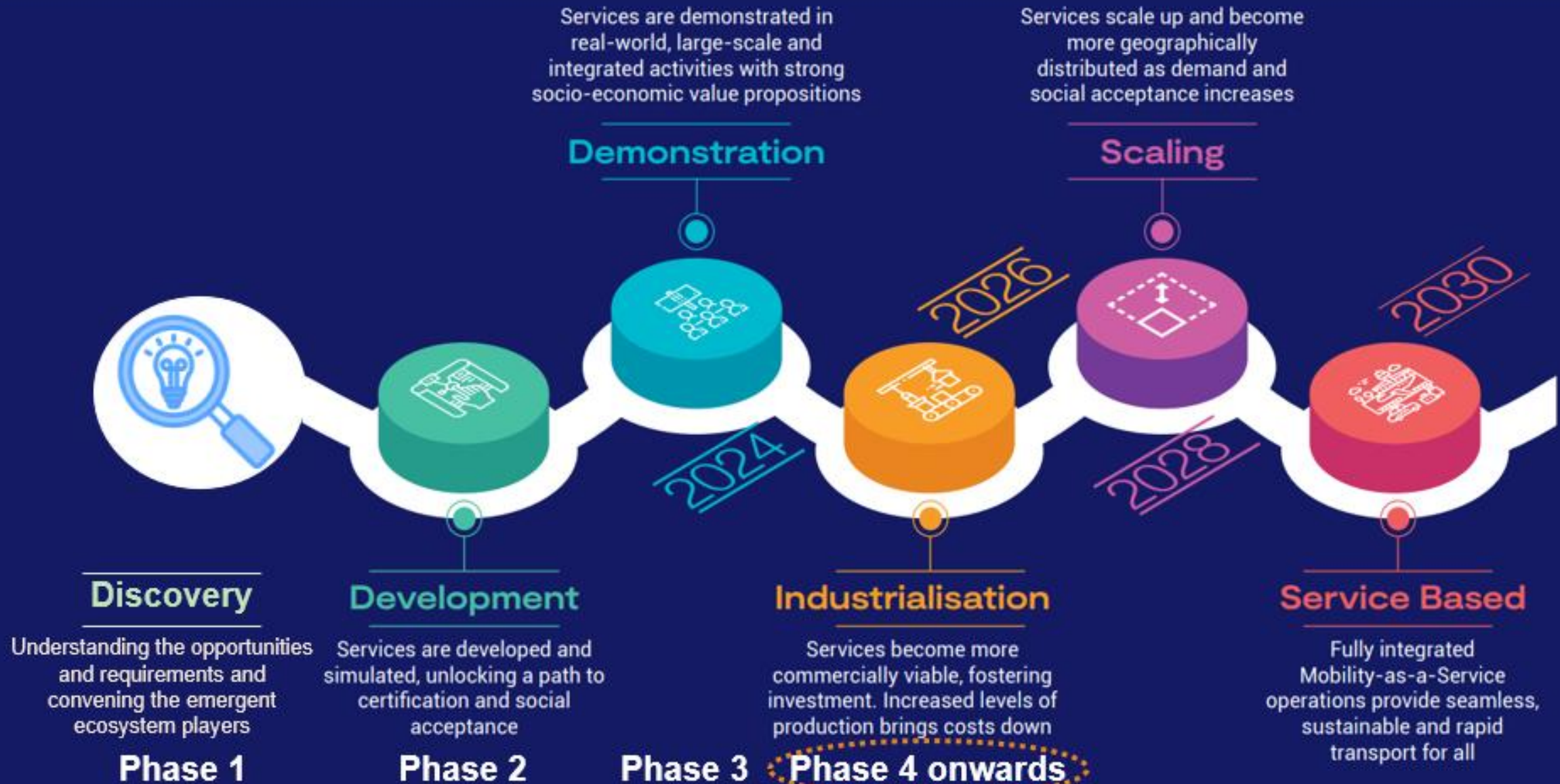


Fully integrated system demonstration of multiple vehicle classes with public engagement

# Future Flight Challenge in numbers 2019-2025



# Where are we now?



# Department for Transport Future of Flight Programme

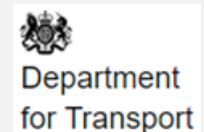
- The [DfT Future of Flight Programme](#) will deliver the regulation, technologies and infrastructure for the routine use of innovative aircraft, so that they are safe, secure, sustainable and work for citizens and communities.
- To fully realise the benefits of Future of Flight technologies for the UK, which includes drones (Unmanned Aircraft Systems) and Advanced Air Mobility (AAM), the Future of Flight Programme is working towards:
  - enabling routine Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) drone operations at scale in integrated airspace by 2027
  - enabling piloted electric Vertical Take-off and Landing (eVTOL) vehicles from 2028 to deliver better connectivity across the UK and economic growth

# Future Flight Competitions

- Two competitions are now open, both closing on 11th June They are jointly funded by Innovate UK and the Department for Transport
- The current funding is for the 25/26 financial year only. Projects must be completed by 31st March 2026. The competitions are therefore targeted to meet specific areas for delivery in this timeframe
- Future Flight : Strategic Growth - The aim of this competition is the development of the UK drone sector, creating growth and meeting the objectives of Department for Transport (DfT) Future of Flight Action Plan
- Future Flight : Regional Demonstrator - The aim of this competition is to accelerate the transition from trials of cutting-edge innovations to real world commercial operations at a regional scale. This will unlock high value, socio-economic benefits for UK communities and meet the objectives of the DfT Future of Flight programme
- Both competitions are independent, rules on how many projects you can be involved in are per competition
- There are separate briefing sessions, recordings of which will be available on the relevant IFS page.



- Strategic Growth 11:00-12:00 19th May
- Regional Demonstrator 15:30-16:30 19th May.



# Future Flight Competitions

- Both competitions have different summaries, scope, and eligibility. The application process and questions used, and dates are the same across both competitions
- Before applying, closely check the contents of the competition pages on Innovation Funding Service to make sure that your project meets the full detail of the summary, scope and eligibility pages for the relevant competition. Do not assume that anything in these sections can be read across from one competition to the other
- If you are unsure which competition is relevant for you, please contact the Customer Support Services, any queries that need to be referred onto the FFC team will be co-ordinated by the CSS

	Strategic Growth	Regional Demonstrator
Vehicle types	Drones (RPAS/UAS)	Drones, eVTOL, zero-emission CTOL
Total funding	£3 million	£600,000
Project min-max	£250,000-£500,000	£150 000 - £200,000

# Future Flight: Regional Demonstrator Competition

All the material in the rest of this presentation relate to the specific competition,

Future Flight : Regional Demonstrator

Summary:

- Innovate UK, part of UK Research and Innovation, will work with the Department for Transport (DfT) to invest up to £600,000 in new innovation projects.
- These projects will be to demonstrate the commercial viability of regional drone, electric take-off and landing (eVTOL) or zero emission conventional take-off and landing (CTOL) aircraft operations or services in the UK. This will foster investment and catalyse commercialisation of future flight products and services.

To support industry progress and government and regulatory frameworks we ask that the key learnings from your project are shared openly.

# Scope – aims and outputs

The aim of this competition is to accelerate the transition from trials of cutting-edge innovations to real world commercial operations at a regional scale. This will unlock high value, socio-economic benefits for UK communities and meet the objectives of the DfT Future of Flight programme.

Your project must deliver one or more of the following:

- a detailed pathway to transform demonstrations to real world commercial operations at scale in a selected UK geographical area
- a business case for commercial drone, eVTOL or zero emission CTOL aircraft services that deliver high value socio-economic benefits to a selected UK geographical area
- a proof of concept, or concept of operations, for commercial drone, eVTOL or zero emission CTOL aircraft services at scale across a selected UK geographical area

# Scope – aims and outputs (cont'd)

Your project must deliver one or more of the following (cont'd):

- a development plan for a living lab or test bed, representative of the future flight operating ecosystem, to accelerate regional scale regulatory, community and infrastructure (physical, digital, airspace, energy, communications) readiness for commercial drone, eVTOL or zero emission CTOL aircraft operations
- acceleration of multimodal transport with drone, eVTOL or zero emission CTOL aircraft integrated into regional transport networks or regional transport hubs, including airports
- a commercial development plan for drone, eVTOL or zero emission CTOL aircraft services in a selected UK geographical area, based on identified commercially viable use cases that meet socio-economic needs for the region and customer demand

Note: the commercial development plan can include a study to determine decision-making authorities, roles and frameworks across the regulator, local government authorities and local community to accelerate safe, coordinated and socially accepted integration of commercial drone, eVTOL or zero emission CTOL aircraft services in a selected UK geographical area.

# Scope – additional requirements

- Projects must include at least one local government authority, and at least one operator, end user or customer
- Your project can include flight activities where you can demonstrate that any required approvals are either already granted or obtainable by a clear and supported route within your project timeline.
- This competition builds upon the success of the Future Flight Challenge Phase 3. Your project must be developing further maturity against Future Flight Challenge phase 3, or other industry work. It must not be a repetition of previous work already completed by yourselves or others.
- You can include non-UK organisations in your project, with them being either a non-funded partner or an overseas subcontractor, where justification must be provided.
- Portfolio approach - we want to fund a variety of projects across different technologies, use cases, location, markets, technology maturity, theme and research categories. We call this a portfolio approach.

# Specific Themes

Your project must focus on one or more of the following:

- use cases that deliver economic and social benefit
- regional drone, eVTOL or zero emission CTOL services (living lab, business case, proof of concept or concept of operations)
- local community integration and planning
- development of stakeholder relationships for regional deployment of operations
- distributed network of take-off and landing spaces, for example, vertiports, airports, airfields, emergency landing spaces
- multi-modal transport system integration
- airspace integration and management

# What we will not fund

We are not funding projects that:

- have no engagement with a local government authority, operator, end user or customer
- are reliant on any regulatory approvals that are either not already granted or obtainable by a clear and supported route through the regulator within the project timeline
- are repetitions of work already carried out within industry
- do not have a specific geographical focus
- focus solely on defence, space applications or High Altitude Platform Stations (HAPS)

# Eligibility criteria



# Eligibility Criteria – Your Project

## Your project must:

- have a grant funding request of between £150,000 and £200,000
- last between five and seven months
- carry out all of its project work in the UK, unless specifically stated and pre-approved by Innovate UK
- intend to exploit the results from or in the UK
- start on 1 September 2025
- end by 31 March 2026

If your project's duration falls outside of our eligibility criteria, or you wish for UK funded partners to carry out any project work outside of the UK, you must provide justification by email to [support@iuk.ukri.org](mailto:support@iuk.ukri.org) as soon as possible before the competition closes. We will decide whether to approve your request.

If you have not requested approval or your application has not been approved by us, you will be made ineligible. Your application will then not be sent for assessment.

# Eligibility Criteria – Lead Organisation

## Lead organisation:

To lead a project your organisation must:

- be a UK registered business of any size, academic institution, research and technology (RTO), charity or public sector organisation
- collaborate with other UK registered organisations
- involve at least one micro, small or medium sized enterprise (SME)
- involve at least one local government authority
- involve at least one operator, end user or customer

More information on the different types of organisation can be found in our [Funding rules](#).

If the lead organisation is an RTO it must collaborate with two or more businesses (one SME, and one business of any size).

[Academic institutions](#) can lead.

# Eligibility Criteria – Collaboration

**For this competition, your project must be collaborative.**

In all collaborative projects there must be:

- At least two grant claiming partners
- At least one SME
- Evidence of an effective collaboration

*This means one partner must not account for more than 70% of the eligible costs and you must include rationale for the collaboration and describe the structure in the application.*

# Eligibility Criteria – Project Team

## Project team

To collaborate with the lead, your organisation must be one of the following UK registered:

- business of any size
- academic institution
- charity
- not for profit
- public sector organisation
- research and technology organisation (RTO)

Each partner organisation must be invited into the Innovation Funding Service (IFS) by the lead to collaborate on a project. Once partners have accepted the invitation, they will be asked to login or to create an account in IFS. They are responsible for entering their own project costs and completing their Project Impact questions in the application.

You can include non-UK organisations in your project, with them being either a non-funded partner or an overseas subcontractor, where justification must be provided.

# Eligibility Criteria – Partners/Subcontractors

## Non-funded partners

Your project can include non-UK partners, including partners based in the EU, who bring their own funding. Non-UK partners are permitted to carry out project work from within their home countries and exploit results overseas. Their costs will count towards the total eligible project costs.

## Subcontractors

Subcontractors are allowed in this competition.

Subcontractors can be from anywhere in the UK and you must select them through your usual procurement process.

You can use subcontractors from overseas but must make the case in your application as to why you cannot use subcontractors from the UK.

You must provide a detailed rationale, evidence of the potential UK contractors you approached and the reasons why they were unable to work with you. We will not accept a cheaper cost as a sufficient reason to use an overseas subcontractor.

All subcontractor costs must be justified and appropriate to the total eligible project costs.

# Eligibility Criteria – Number of applications

## Number of applications

A business, academic institution, research and technology organisation (RTO), charity, not for profit or public sector organisation can only lead on one application but can be included as a collaborator in two further applications.

If a business, academic institution, research and technology organisation (RTO), charity, not for profit or public sector organisation is not leading any application, it can collaborate in any number of applications.

# Previously submitted applications

This competition does allow you to submit a previously submitted application.

Previously submitted application	Not a Previously submitted application
<p>A previously submitted application is an application Innovate UK judges as <u>not</u> materially different from one you have submitted before (but it can be updated based on the assessors' feedback).</p> <p>If you have previously submitted an application that reached our assessment stage, you can re-apply once more with the same proposal.</p>	<p>A brand-new application, project or idea that you have not previously submitted into an Innovate UK competition.</p> <p>or</p> <p>A previously submitted or ineligible application which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• has been updated based on assessor feedback</li><li>• <u>and</u> is materially different from the application submitted before</li><li>• <u>and</u> fits with the scope of this competition</li></ul>



# **Innovation Funding Service (IFS)**

# How to apply

The lead applicant must create an account:

## UK registered businesses

Use Companies House lookup as it speeds up our checks by providing your company number. You are unable to enter this at a later date.

## Research organisations, academics and universities

To avoid being listed as a business and to ensure you receive the correct funding, enter your information manually on IFS



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Create your account

### Your organisation

**i** Your organisation must be UK based to receive funding from Innovate UK

**Business**

**Find your organisation on Companies House**  
Enter your organisation name or registration number

**Companies House search results**  
Select your organisation from the options below

[NOMENSA LTD](#)  
04214477 - Incorporated on 10 May 2001  
13 Queen Square, Bristol, BS1 4NT

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## Please sign in or create an account

**Used this service before?**  
Please sign into your Innovation Funding Service account.

**New to this service?**  
If you haven't used the new Innovation Funding Service before you will need to create an account.

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### Innovation Funding Service Sign in

Email address  
Please enter your email address.

Password  
Please enter your password.

▼ [Need help signing in or creating an account?](#)

**My email and/or password isn't working**

If you applied previously using the old service, you will need to create a new account.

[Forgotten your password?](#)

# Application Questions

Detailed guidance available on IFS

Application Form		Word Count	Appendix inc. number of pages
Question 1	Applicant location (not scored)	100 words	No
Question 2	Animal testing (not scored)	Multiple choice	No
Question 3	Permits and licences (not scored)	Multiple choice	No
Question 4	International Collaboration (not scored)	400 words	
Question 5	Trusted Research and Innovation (not scored)	400 words	
Question 6	Need or challenge	400 words	No
Question 7	Approach and innovation	400 words	Yes – optional – 2 pages
Question 8	Team and resources	400 words	Yes – optional – 2 pages
Question 9	Market awareness	400 words	No
Question 10	Outcomes and route to market	400 words	No
Question 11	Wider impacts	400 words	No
Question 12	Project management	400 words	Yes – mandatory – 2 pages
Question 13	Risks	400 words	Yes – mandatory – 2 pages
Question 14	Added value	400 words	No
Question 15	Costs and value for money	400 words	No

# Changes to questions from standard

For those familiar with the standard wording of questions on IFS, please be aware that for this competition there are some changes to standard wording or scoring guidance. A link to the assessor guidance for this competition is available on IFS in the assessment section under 'How to Apply', all applicants are encouraged to read this

- Question 7 Approach and Innovation – for the bullet point on being competitive, the wording has been changed to 'how it will make you more competitive, either directly or through making the UK more competitive'
- Question 11 Wider Impacts – in the section of the question on economic benefits, the wording has been changed from 'the economic benefits' to 'any economic benefits' as it is recognised that for some projects the current benefits may not be primarily economic
- Question 12 Project Management– minor changes to the scoring guidance to remove mention of research category since this is not asked for in the standard question text
- Question 13 Risks – Added specific scoring guidance where any regulatory requirements are identified

# Project Impact questions

- Each organisation in your application will complete the Project Impact questions within the 'Supporting information' section
- The Project Impact questions ask for data about your business and innovation and its contribution to the UK economy, society, and the environment
- Visit the [Project Impact guidance](#) page for more information, the types of questions you will be asked and how to get further support
- By providing this data, you are enabling us to better understand the impact of our support. It will help us identify success stories and provide evidence to government and the public of the value of supporting innovative businesses



## For more information:

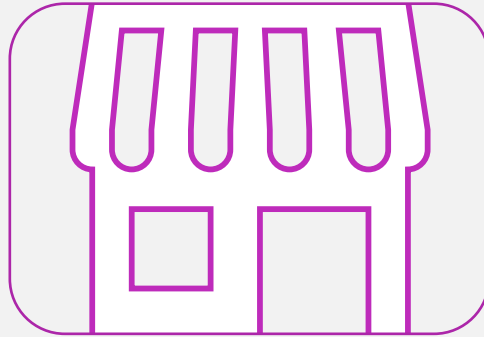
- [Watch Our Impact Management Framework video](#)
- [How is the Project Impact data collected? video](#)

# Your Project Cost Categories

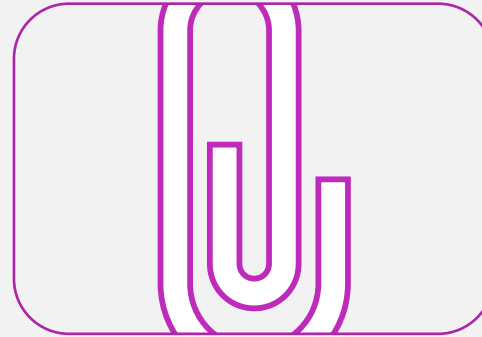
View our [Application Finances Instructional Video](#)



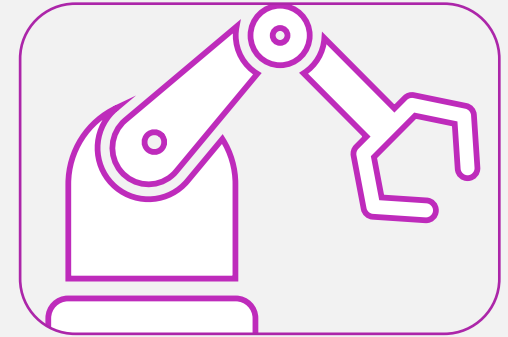
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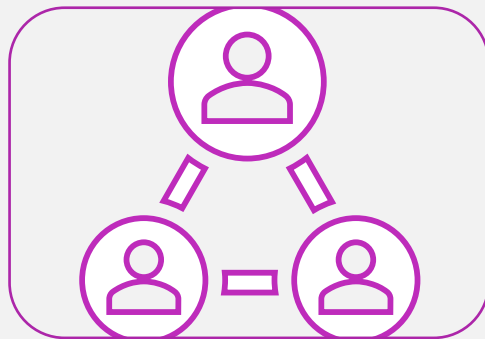
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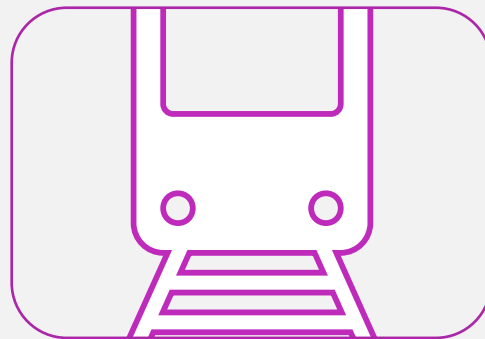
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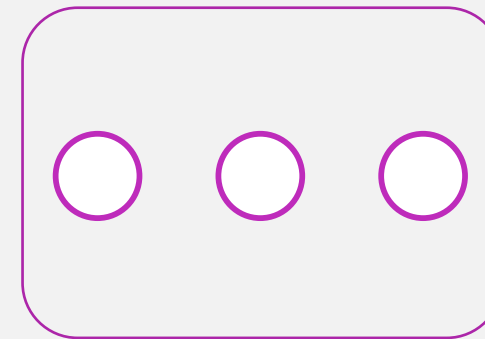
Capital Usage



Subcontractors



Travel &  
Subsistence




Other

# Your project finances


## Finances

Your organisation is required to submit its project finances. Your organisation's project costs can be seen in the 'Finances overview'.


[Your project finances](#)

 Incomplete

[Finances overview](#)


 Incomplete

## Finances


 Only members from your organisation will be able to see a breakdown of your finances.

Please complete your project finances.


[Your project costs](#)

 Incomplete


[Your project location](#)

 Incomplete

[Your organisation](#)

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[Your funding](#)

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## Your project costs

Add your project costs by category – refer to previous slide for link to instructional video

## Your project location

Enter postcode for where most of the project work will take place.

## Your organisation

Add details of your organisation including size, turnover and number of employees

## Your funding

Include your funding level percentage according to the competition's funding rules.

You can declare Other Public Sector Funding here if you have previously received public money for **exactly** the same activities

# Checking your finances are complete

## Finances summary

These organisations have not marked their finances as complete:

- Ludlow
- EGGS

This application cannot be submitted until all items in the finances section have been marked as complete by all partners.

		Total costs (£)	Funding level (%)	Funding sought (£)	Contribution to project (£)	Other public sector funding (£)
<b>Empire Ltd</b> Lead organisation	✓	200,903	30.00	57,803	140,632	2,468
<b>Ludlow</b> Partner	⚠	200,903	30.00	57,803	140,632	2,468
<b>EGGS</b> Partner	⚠	990	100.00	990	0	0
<b>Total</b>	⚠	<b>£402,796</b>		116,596	281,264	4,936

Check your finances have been correctly inputted, with the correct costs, funding level % and funding sought figure, as per the eligibility criteria of the competition.

The lead must ensure that all partners have marked their finances as complete.

Research organisation participation must be no greater than 30% of the total project costs.

**IFS DOES NOT VALIDATE TOTAL PROJECT COSTS**


# Terms and Conditions

Before you can submit your application, **all** organisations in an application must agree to the draft terms and conditions for this competition. Please ensure you share the T&Cs with your legal team at the earliest possible opportunity.


## Terms and conditions

You must agree to these before you submit your application.

[Award terms and conditions](#)

 Incomplete

Review and submit

 [Print your application](#)



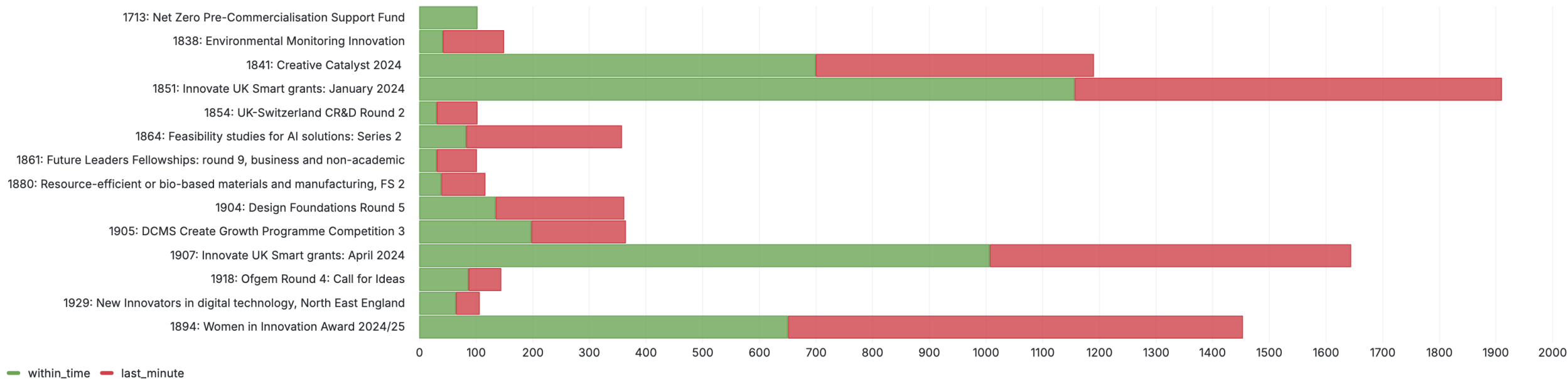
I agree to the [full terms and conditions](#) set out by the funding authority. I understand I need to agree to the final contract if my application is successful.

Agree and continue

# Submitting your application

Customer Support can help resolve any issues you might have when submitting **but only if they are contacted before the deadline.**

Once the deadline has passed, your application cannot be submitted.



# Pros & Cons of using AI to support you

*With the advances in AI technology, it is only natural to use technology to support you in applying to our competitions. Whilst we don't recommend or advise against it, we would like to make you aware of the following which could potentially impact your project.*

## Pros

- Removes barriers for people with disabilities and non-English speakers
- Allows you to rephrase your content to meet the word count in a question
- Ensures all aspects of a question are answered
- Can aid a better understanding of:
  - intended/wider market
  - best practice in project management
  - complementary technologies and advances in the industry
  - expected project impacts

## Cons

- It is not always accurate in its assumptions and can get things wrong
- AI learns from the information you give it as well as what it has already learnt
- May provide a generic response meaning your application could use similar phrasing to others
- AI can be detected as non-human as it lacks expression and insight because it relies on logic to summarise information based on the question asked

Whilst AI offers many benefits, it is important you are aware that **you are potentially sharing your idea with the world**, so be careful what you share as you have no control over how it is shared on once you do.

# Funding Rules



# Other Innovate UK projects

If you have an outstanding final claim or Independent Accountant Report (IAR) on a live Innovate UK project, you will not be eligible to apply to this competition, as a lead or a partner organisation.

We will not award you any further funding if you:

- applied to a previous competition as the lead or sole company and were awarded funding by Innovate UK, but did not make a substantial effort to exploit that award
- applied to a previous competition as the lead or sole company and failed to comply with grant terms and conditions.

# Compliance with the UK Subsidy Control Regime

On 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023, the [Subsidy Control Act 2022](#) came into effect.

This provides a framework for public authorities to design and award subsidies in a compliant way, whilst minimising any negative effects of subsidies both within the UK and Internationally.

Innovate UK offers funding in line with the UK's obligations and commitments to Subsidy Control. To ensure that Innovate UK remains compliant with the UK's international Subsidy Control duties in respect of:

- the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement;
- the subsidy control act 2022
- Article 10 of the Windsor Framework (successful applicants which are affected by the Windsor Framework will be funded in line with [EU State aid regulations](#))
- Article 138 of the Withdrawal Agreement (some Union law applicable after 31 December 2020 in relation to the UK's participation in Union programmes and activities)
- the Subsidies and Countervailing measures within the WTO (ASCM)
- any other Free Trade Agreements active at the time of award

All awards will be conditional on compliance at all times with the UK's international obligations on Subsidy Control - this will be reflected in the terms and conditions of any award.

# Subsidy Control (and State aid where relevant)

The Subsidy Control Act 2022 definition of a 'subsidy' means financial assistance which:

1. is given by a public authority. This can be at any level: central, devolved, regional or local government or a public body.
2. makes a contribution (this could be a financial or an in-kind contribution) to an enterprise, conferring an economic advantage that is not available on market terms.
3. affects international trade.

For awards made from 4 January 2023, the majority are subject to Subsidy Control Act 2022. EU State aid rules now only apply in certain limited circumstances.

## **Financial viability and eligibility**

Innovate UK is unable to award funding to organisations that are considered to be in financial difficulty. All applicant organisations are subjected to financial viability and eligibility checks to ensure they are suitable for public funding.

[General guidance on Subsidy control \(and State aid where relevant\).](#)

# Article 10 of the Windsor Framework

The EU and the UK formally adopted the [Windsor Framework](#) on 24 March 2023.

The Windsor Framework replaces the Northern Ireland Protocol, providing a new legal and UK constitutional framework.

Article 10 provides that European Union State aid rules will continue to apply to the UK in respect of measures which affect trade in goods or the electricity market between Northern Ireland and the EU.

Article 10 does not directly apply to subsidies for services and such subsidies will need to comply with the UK's subsidy control regime.

## **Undertakings in difficulty**

In the unusual circumstance of an award having to be made under the EU GBER regulation (State aid), the applicant must pass **'undertaking in difficulty' checks as defined by GBER (2014)**.

Guidance on [Article 10 of the Windsor Framework](#).

# Research, Development and Innovation Streamlined Subsidy Scheme

- Designed by Government to award subsidies to enterprises if they met defined criteria contained within the [Scheme](#)
- 3 categories available please check the competition you are applying for applicable categories
  - Feasibility Studies
  - Industrial Research and Experimental Development
  - Small and Medium Sized Enterprise (SME) Research, Development and Innovation Support
- When submitting an application as part of our due diligence you will be asked to declare any previous awards made in the 'applicable period' to ensure limits are not breached.
  - The applicable period is made up of:
    - (a) the elapsed part of the current financial year
    - (b) the two financial years immediately preceding the current financial year

# Category 2: Industrial Research and Experimental Development Projects

**For Industrial Research projects, you could get funding for your eligible project costs of:**

- up to 70% if you are a micro or small organisation
- up to 60% if you are a medium-sized organisation
- up to 50% if you are a large organisation

**For experimental development projects which are nearer to market, you could get funding for your eligible project costs of:**

- up to 45% if you are a micro or small organisation
- up to 35% if you are a medium-sized organisation
- up to 25% if you are a large organisation

Eligible costs please refer to the competition to which you are applying.

For a detailed definition of these research categories see [guidance document section 14.3](#).





# Assessment





# Assessment


## [YouTube Playlist](#)

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1 How do our assessors assess?  
Innovate UK • 8.1K views • 2 years ago  
2:33
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2 How are successful applications selected for funding?  
Innovate UK • 17K views • 2 years ago  
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3 What steps are there before a project starts?  
Innovate UK • 7.7K views • 2 years ago  
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4 How are successful projects monitored?  
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5 How successful applicants receive their funding.  
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# Project setup

If you pass the technical assessment, you will have a further eight steps detailed in your notification to complete in Project Setup before being able to start your project.

These are:

- Project details
- Project team
- Documents
- You will be allocated a Monitoring Service Provider (MSP)
- Bank details
- Finance checks
- Spend profile
- Grant Offer Letter

Please share the T&Cs with your legal team at the earliest possible opportunity to avoid any delays.

You are expected to complete all the steps above **within 90 calendar days** of receiving your notification. Failure to do so may result in funding being withdrawn.

**Work can only commence on your project once you have received your Go Live email.**

# Additional Support



# Innovate UK Business Growth

<https://iuk.ktn-uk.org/business-growth/>

Innovate UK Business Growth (previously Innovate UK EDGE) is a key part of the UK innovation agency's deep investment in the pioneering businesses that drive economic growth. It is a publicly-funded service available to all high potential small to medium sized innovation-driven companies, including Innovate UK grant winners.

## **Exploit Innovation:**

Grow your business by protecting your IP, improving innovation management and accessing the innovation ecosystem globally through us.

## **Source funding:**

Grow and scale your business by accessing the right finance and funding for you and becoming investment ready.

## **Enter new markets:**

Helping you to make connections to partners and leverage insights to expand into vertical and international markets and achieve scaling ambitions.

## **Ready to scale?**

The Innovate UK Scaleup Programme helps the highest potential businesses realise their ambitions.



# Useful Information

- UKRI's [General Guidance](#)
- Innovate UK Business Connect's [Good Application Guide](#)
- [Who we fund](#)
- Collaboration Agreement Guidance: [Lambert Toolkit](#)
- [Innovate UK: Shaping the Future](#)

## Funding opportunities

To find out more about the competitions currently available you can visit either the [Innovation Funding Service \(IFS\)](#) or the [funding finder](#) on the UKRI website. Through these links, you can review the competitions available and decide which ones may be right for you.

You can [sign up to our newsletter](#) to receive all the latest information on our competitions straight to your inbox or [register for email alerts](#) to get page updates from Innovate UK.

The government also offers [other opportunities for businesses to get finance and support](#).

Innovate UK reserves the rights to host competitions on a needs basis and will adjust each competition criteria and scope accordingly. We may occasionally run closed competitions that are for invited applicants only. These are run based on the challenge requirement or need.

# We'd love your feedback

We're considering a change to the applicant briefing process for our competitions.

Please let us have your feedback on this briefing.

## FEEDBACK SURVEY



# Q&A



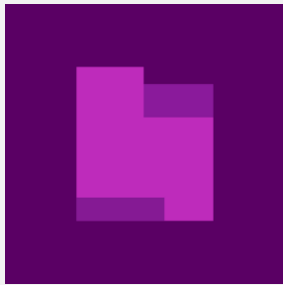
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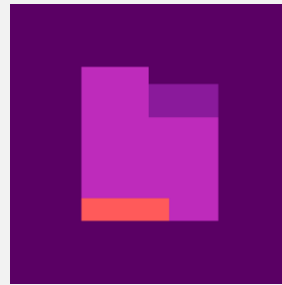
0300 321 4357 (Monday - Friday 9am-12pm and 2pm-5pm)

[support@iuk.ukri.org](mailto:support@iuk.ukri.org)



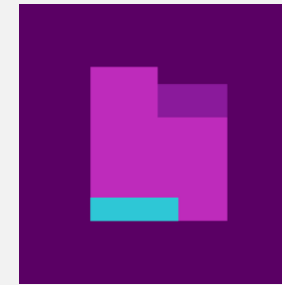
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