CSIRO Industry PhD (iPhD) Program

Approval for EOI Submission Template for CSIRO Researchers

Evidence of support from your Research Director must be submitted along with the Expression of Interest form. Please ensure that your line manager is supportive of your involvement. Please use this template to obtain Research Director support.

Dear *(Research Director),*

I write to request your endorsement for an upcoming submission for the iPhD program. Evidence of your approval is required to be submitted with the Expression of Interest paperwork. Please see the following details about the program, Research Unit requirements and the proposed project details.

**CSIRO Industry PhD Program overview**

CSIRO’s Industry PhD (iPhD) program is being delivered as part of the Government’s initiative to develop the next generation of researchers with skills to work in industry and to increase collaboration between industry and research organisations. The program brings together an Australian industry partner, a university and CSIRO to co-develop and co-supervise a four-year PhD project.

**CSIRO Research Unit requirements**

1. Provide a suitably experienced researcher to co-supervise the PhD student for up to four years, who meets university supervision requirements:

* Supervisor time commitment depends on the project scope and their role in project supervision.
* The supervisor’s time investment is not funded by the Industry PhD Program.
* There is no cash commitment required from the Research Unit. For more information on the iPhD funding model, see [our website](http://www.csiro.au/iPhD).

1. Provide access to CSIRO facilities and infrastructure, if required for the project.

**Project details**

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| Project title |  |
| Project description |  |
| Industry partner |  |
| University partner |  |
| Estimate of required FTE to co-supervise the student |  |
| Availability to meet expected supervisory requirements with current workload (are you already supervising other PhDs, have additional commitments?) |  |
| Expected project benefits (e.g. to increase capacity in RU and/or Government priority area) |  |

Further assessment of submitted EOIs will be performed. If the EOI is successful, a three-way Collaboration Agreement will be developed between CSIRO, the university and industry partner. Please contact [iphd@csiro.au](mailto:iphd@csiro.au) or visit our [webpage](http://www.csiro.au/iphd) for further information.

If supportive, please email back to indicate your approval of the Expression of Interest submission.