CSIRO Industry PhD (iPhD) Program 2026

This is a sample iPhD Expression of interest form which is read-only and not for off-line completion.

- All EOIs must be submitted via the online submission portal.
- All involved parties (industry, university and CSIRO) are required to complete the EOI collaboratively online.
- The leading party will need to register an account and then invite the other parties to register.

EOI name

This section relates to the university supervisor, however all sections must be reviewed and approved by all partners.

Ensure that you have email evidence of support from the relevant University's Graduate Research School (or equivalent delegate that approves PhD projects) ready to upload.

University ABN/ACN

- *The ABN/ACN must match the <u>Australian Business Register</u>. Please provide the full 11 digit number*

University name

University supervisor

- *List the university supervisor who will be primarily responsible for the student.*
- *If the EOI is approved, this supervisor will be listed for contracting purposes and will lead all supervision for this party.*
- *The university supervisor is responsible for monitoring and assessing the PhD student's progress in accordance with the university's PhD academic requirements and must be the primary supervisor of the project.*

University supervisor email

- *Work email address only, avoid use of personal accounts.*

☐ Confirm **eligibility** and **availability** to be the primary supervisor of the student for up to four years.

- *The supervisor must be eligible to act as a primary supervisor under the university's policy.*
- *Check capacity to meet expected supervisory requirements with current workload.*
- *The supervisor's time investment is not funded by the iPhD Program.*

University supervisor phone number

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- *Work phone numbers only, avoid use of personal numbers.*

Additional university supervisor/s name/s (optional)

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- *List any additional supervisors that will be involved in student supervision.*
- *This is not a requirement of the program and is an optional field.*
- *The supervisor listed above will be responsible for any additional supervisors written in this section.*
- *If the EOI is approved, additional supervisors will not be included on the contract and are for information only.*

Additional university supervisor email/s (optional)

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University faculty/college/school/centre

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University street number and street name

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- *Ensure that this is the registered business address for the university. This may be different to the project location.*
- *If applicable, include unit number, level number etc*
- *PO boxes will not be accepted.*
- *For address validation and checking, we encourage the use of address lookup tools, such as Google Maps.*

University suburb

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University state/territory

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New South Wales

Victoria

Queensland

South Australia

Western Australia

Tasmania

Australian Capital Territory

Northern Territory

University postcode

Attach evidence of approval from your Graduate Research School (GRS) or equivalent university delegate responsible for approving PhD projects

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We encourage use of our template which contains university requirements and project information to help you communicate details to your Graduate Research School.

   • *Copy and paste this template into an email.*
   • *Fill out project specific sections.*
   • *Send email to your GRS.*
   • *Attach email evidence from your GRS stating that the EOI submission is approved.*

Consent to join the mailing list to receive general updates and news about the iPhD program.

◯ Yes

◯ No

   • *You can opt out at any time by unsubscribing or emailing the <u>iPhD team</u>.*

Consent to be invited to participate in iPhD promotional activities.

◯ Yes

◯ No

   • *You may decline any requests at your discretion or opt out of future requests at any time by emailing the <u>iPhD team</u>.*

By submitting this EOI, I make the following declarations:

☐ I confirm that I have read, understood and will comply with guidelines outlined in the iPhD Program Rules.

☐ I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of personal information in the ways described in the iPhD EOI Privacy Statement.

   • *Visit the <u>EOI Privacy Statement</u> to understand what personal information will be collected and how it will be used.*

☐ I confirm no actual, apparent or perceived conflict of interests in relation to the EOI.

   • *If you think you may have a <u>conflict of interest</u>, please contact the <u>iPhD team</u> to discuss.*

☐ I confirm that I have obtained the appropriate approvals on behalf of my university to submit this EOI.

   • *Ensure that you have attached the appropriate approval in the above section.*

☐ I confirm that all information is true and correct to my knowledge and I acknowledge that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code Act 1995 (Cth).   • *Read the <u>Criminal Code Act 1995 (Cth)</u>*

☐ I acknowledge that iPhD is a four-year engagement, and if the EOI is successful a Collaboration Agreement will be developed outlining the responsibilities of each party.

☐ I will enable my student to attend the courses prescribed under the iPhD Professional Development and Training program.

 • *This will account for an estimated mandatory five training days per year or 20 days across four years.*
 • *iPhD Launch Camp is one of the mandatory courses and is a full-day face-to-face session.*

☐ I will participate in iPhD Monitoring and Evaluation activities across 4 years.

 • *These activities will comprise of either interviews or surveys.*

☐ The student's Project Expense and Development funds do not cover any supervisor expenses pertaining to the delivery of the project, including travel and accommodation to accompany students on iPhD events, site visits or conferences.

 • *Any university supervisor travel costs (if travelling regionally or interstate) must be covered by the university.*

This section of questions relates to the CSIRO supervisor, however all sections must be reviewed and approved by all partners.

Ensure that you have email evidence of support from the relevant CSIRO Research Program Director ready to upload.

CSIRO Research Program

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 • *Research program name must be identical to the program name as it appears in O2D.*
 • *Please type out details. MyCSIRO links will not be accepted.*

CSIRO supervisor

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 • *List the CSIRO supervisor who will be mainly responsible for the student.*
 • *This supervisor will be listed on all documentation as the CSIRO contact.*
 • *Adjunct and co-supervisor names are not required on this form. Any additional supervisors will be under the direction of the supervisor listed.*

CSIRO supervisor email

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 • *Work email address only, avoid use of personal accounts.*
 • *Please type out details. MyCSIRO links will not be accepted.*

☐ Confirm **eligibility** and **availability** to be the CSIRO supervisor of the student for up to four years.

- *The supervisor must be eligible to act as a CSIRO supervisor under the CSIRO Research Unit policies.*
- *Supervisor time commitment depends on the project scope and their role in project supervision. Please discuss with your leadership team before EOI submission.*
- *Check capacity to meet expected supervisory requirements with current workload.*
- *The supervisor's time investment is not funded by the iPhD Program.*

CSIRO supervisor phone number

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- *Work phone numbers only, avoid use of personal numbers.*
- *Please type out details. MyCSIRO links will not be accepted.*

CSIRO supervisor **site** name

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CSIRO supervisor **site** street number and street name

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- *Please type out details. MyCSIRO links will not be accepted.*
- *If applicable, include unit number, level number etc.*
- *PO boxes will not be accepted.*
- *For address validation and checking, we encourage the use of address lookup tools, such as Google Maps.*

CSIRO supervisor **site** suburb

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CSIRO supervisor **site** state/territory

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New South Wales

Victoria

Queensland

South Australia

Western Australia

Tasmania

Australian Capital Territory

Northern Territory

CSIRO supervisor **site** postcode

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Additional CSIRO supervisor/s name/s (optional)

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- *List any additional supervisors that will be involved in student supervision.*
- *This is not a requirement of the program and is an optional field.*
- *The supervisor listed above will be responsible for any additional supervisors written in this section.*
- *If the EOI is approved, additional supervisors will not be included on the contract and are for information only.*

Additional CSIRO supervisor email/s (optional)

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Research Unit Program Director

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Attach evidence of approval from your Research Unit Program Director

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In addition to Research Director approval, it is recommended to discuss the EOI with your Business Development Manager and Contract Manager.

We encourage use of our template which contains CSIRO requirements and project information

- *Copy and paste this template into an email.*
- *Fill out project specific sections.*
- *Send email to your Research Director.*
- *Attach email evidence from your Research Director stating that the EOI submission is approved.*

Consent to join the mailing list to receive general updates and news about the iPhD program.

◯ Yes

◯ No

- *You can opt out at any time by unsubscribing or emailing the <u>iPhD team</u>.*

Consent to be invited to participate in iPhD promotional activities.

◯ Yes

◯ No

- *You may decline any requests at your discretion or opt out of future requests at any time by emailing the <u>iPhD team</u>.*

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  • *Visit the <u>EOI Privacy Statement</u> to understand what personal information will be collected and how it will be used.*

☐ I confirm no actual, apparent or perceived conflict of interests in relation to the EOI.

  • *If you think you may have a <u>conflict of interest</u>, please contact the <u>iPhD team</u> to discuss.*

☐ I confirm that I have obtained the appropriate approvals on behalf of my Research Unit to submit this EOI.

  • *Ensure that you have attached the appropriate approval in the above section.*

☐ I confirm that all information is true and correct to my knowledge and I acknowledge that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code Act 1995 (Cth).

  • *Read the <u>Criminal Code Act 1995 (Cth)</u>*

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☐ I will enable my student to attend the courses prescribed under the iPhD Professional Development and Training program.

  • *This will account for an estimated mandatory five training days per year or 20 days across four years.*
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  • *These activities will comprise of either interviews or surveys.*

☐ The student's Project Expense and Development funds do not cover any supervisor expenses pertaining to the delivery of the project, including travel and accommodation to accompany students on iPhD events, site visits or conferences.

  • *Any CSIRO supervisor travel costs (if travelling regionally or interstate) must be covered by the Research Unit.*

This section of questions relates to the industry supervisor, however all sections must be reviewed and approved by all partners.

Ensure that you have email evidence of support from the industry partner's board, CEO or equivalent ready to upload.

Organisation ABN/ACN

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• *The ABN/ACN must match the <u>Australian Business Register</u>. Please provide the full 11 digit number*

Organisation name

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Organisation trading name (optional)

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• *Optional field to include trading name if it differs from name listed on the Australian Business Register.*

Industry supervisor

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• *List the industry supervisor who will be responsible for the student.*
• *This supervisor will be listed on all documentation as the industry contact.*
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Industry supervisor email

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☐ Confirm **eligibility** and **availability** to be the industry supervisor of the student for up to four years.

• *The supervisor must be eligible to act as the industry supervisor under the organisation's policies.*
• *Supervisor time commitment depends on the project scope and their role in project supervision.*
• *The industry supervisor must facilitate the student's 60-day Industry Engagement component across the four year candidature.*
• *Check capacity to meet expected supervisory requirements with current workload.*
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Industry supervisor phone number

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Additional industry supervisor/s name/s (optional)

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Additional industry supervisor email/s (optional)

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Organisation's street number and street name

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- *This must be a business location in Australia and not a PO box address.*
- *If applicable, include unit number, level number etc*
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Organisation's suburb

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Organisation's state/territory

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New South Wales

Victoria

Queensland

South Australia

Western Australia

Tasmania

Australian Capital Territory

Northern Territory

Organisation's postcode

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Type of organisation

○ Privately owned and for-profit

○ Government

○ Not-for-profit

- *Private industry and Small to Medium Enterprises are prioritised, as it is a Government and CSIRO focus.*
- *Your organisation must be a Research End User to be eligible.*
- *Your organisation must be a Body Corporate to be eligible, if you are a Government entity.*

Confirm your organisation can fund the student's top-up scholarship and make annual payments directly to the university as per our standard process.

○ Yes

• *For annual amounts, refer to the payment schedule outlined on the iPhD website*

Organisation's website

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Organisation's LinkedIn profile (optional)

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Attach evidence of approval from your organisation's appropriate delegate for approving PhD projects.

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○ Yes

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Do not include confidential or commercially sensitive information.

The information below will be used to advertise the project to potential students and for reporting to Government on the condition that the EOI is successful and a Collaboration Agreement between the three parties for the project is fully executed.

Project description for advertising to students   200 words

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Project description in plain English for Government reporting   50 words

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Structure your answer in <u>plain English</u> as follows **(three sentences only)**:

  • **Project topic:** *A project that is developing/investigating an innovation/problem/gap in knowledge (one sentence).*
  • **Expected outcomes:** *The expected outcome is a product/service/technical advancement (one sentence).*
  • **Potential benefits:** *This technology/solution will potentially result in/lead to value and/or customer/industry/public/national benefits (one sentence).*

Desired student skillset   150 words

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• *For example, formal qualifications, subject matter knowledge, research abilities, other relevant technical and professional skills, and experience.*

Primary location of the student

○ University

○ CSIRO

○ Industry partner

• *A Project Expense and Development package will be made available to the organisation where the student will be primarily based to conduct the project.*
• *The organisation where the student is primarily based will have more responsibility in regard to day-to-day supervision.*
• *It is important to discuss logistics before EOI submission.*

CSIRO site where the student will have access to

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• *Even if the student is primarily based at the university or industry partner premise, we still require a CSIRO site for the student to have access to for induction purposes.*
• *This CSIRO site does not necessarily need to be where the CSIRO supervisor is based. It may be an alternative site closer to the university or industry partner.*
• *Provide a full address (street, suburb, state, postcode).*

Student industry engagement component address

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• *The industry partner must provide a 60-day industry engagement component for the student.*
• *Provide the full and complete address for the industry engagement component (e.g. the industry partner's premise or another location as appropriate and agreed between the parties). Please ensure that the address is current, complete and a valid location.*
• *For address validation and checking, we encourage the use of address lookup tools, such as Google Maps.*

Student industry engagement component activities   150 words

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• *Provide a brief description of the proposed activities. Activities must contribute to the development, research, and outcomes of the PhD project, and be related to the student's research.*
• *Potential activities may include undertaking research translation activities, understanding the research needs of the industry partner, and/ or testing research assumptions in an industry setting with end-users.*

Other student location(s) (optional)

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• *Provide a full address (street, suburb, state, postcode).*
• *For example, if the student is primarily located at the university and conducts the Industry Engagement component at the industry partner's premise, another relevant location may be a CSIRO site, if relevant to the PhD project.*

Alignment with the Government's National Reconstruction Fund

○ Agriculture, forestry and fisheries

○ Resource

○ Transport

○ Medical science

○ Renewables and low emission technologies

○ Defence

○ Enabling capabilities

○ Not aligned

- *For more information, see the National Reconstruction Fund.*
- *Select the main priority area relevant to the project.*
- *If the project has no alignment to any area, select "not aligned".*

Project Field of Research (FOR) Code

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- *For more information see Australian and New Zealand Standard Research Classification (ANZSRC)*
- *For example, Division 09 Engineering > Group 0901 Aerospace Engineering > Field 090101 Aerodynamics (excl. Hypersonic Aerodynamics)*
- *Only list **one FOR code** which is most relevant to the project. The most relevant FOR code is not required to be aligned to the National Reconstruction Fund categories.*

The information below will be not displayed publicly.

EOIs must address all assessment criteria. They are evenly weighted.

Assessment criterion 1

- Industry experience provided to the student (20%)

Provide a short description of how the project will provide a student with a research experience that is industry-relevant, develops commercialisation and research innovation skills, and provides networking and employment opportunities in industry. For projects with Government industry partners, outline how you will provide the student with experience in and exposure to commercial industry partners. Include some examples of potential industry partners. 200 words.

Assessment criterion 2

Project impact (20%)

Provide a short description of the problem the project aims to address and expected outcomes. 200 words

Assessment criterion 3

- Alignment to Government and CSIRO stategic priorities (20%)

Provide a short description of how the project aligns to Government initiatives, CSIRO initiatives and/or is seen as a national priority. 200 words

Assessment criterion 4   200 words

– Research industry collaboration (20%)

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• *Provide a short description of how the project builds research industry collaboration, including details on how the project will strengthen or create new working relationships between industry and the research sector (CSIRO and/or the university).*

Assessment criterion 5 – Project feasibility and resources (20%)

Criterion 5 will comprise of the following 6 questions

1) Outline the main activities and outputs of the student and their expected timelines.   200 words

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2) List project resources (e.g. infrastructure) required to deliver the activities and outputs listed above.   100 words

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3) List any additional resources (cash or in-kind) committed to the project and/or student scholarship.   100 words

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4) List the responsibilities of the university supervisor (primary supervisor)   100 words

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5) List the responsibilities of the CSIRO supervisor   100 words

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6) List the responsibilities of the industry supervisor   100 words

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The below information will be not displayed publicly.

This section relates to the Intellectual Property (IP) of the proposed project. We recommend having early discussions to eliminate issues and delays during the contracting process, if the project is approved.

University background IP

• *Outline any relevant university background IP or existing contractual arrangements to be included as part of the development of the Collaboration Agreement.*

CSIRO background IP

• *Outline any relevant CSIRO background IP or existing contractual arrangements to be included as part of the development of the Collaboration Agreement.*

Industry background IP

• *Outline any relevant industry background IP or existing contractual arrangements to be included as part of the development of the Collaboration Agreement.*

Project IP requirements and considerations

• *Include any specific IP requirements or considerations that have been or should be discussed between the parties.*
• *This is for expectation purposes only and may be considered during the contract drafting phase, if the EOI is successful.*