Clean Technology Ecosystem Grants

Information session



18 March 2022

Welcome and agenda



Acknowledgement of Country

Tessa Nelson Chair

Introduction to Net Zero Industry and Innovation Program

Justin Roach Clean Technology Innovation Manager

Outline of Clean Technology Ecosystem Grants

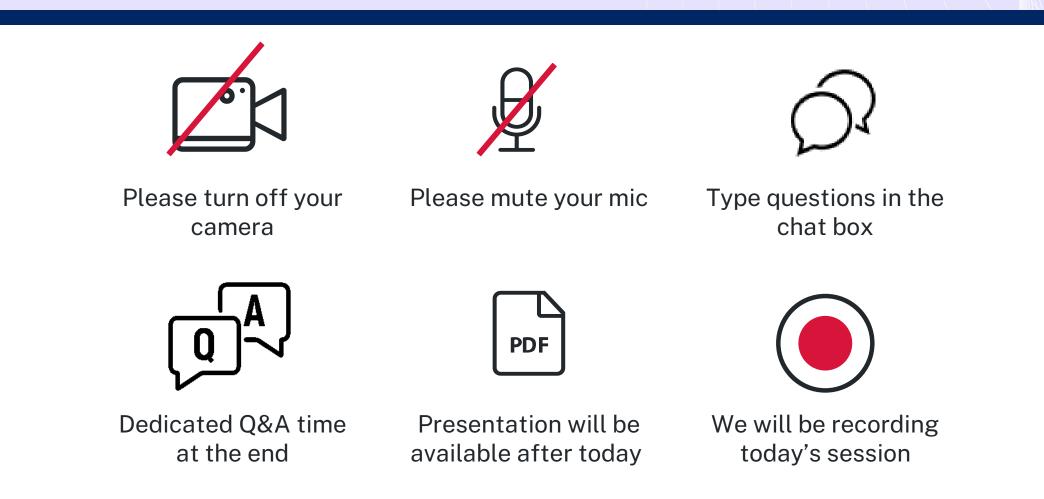
Andrew Bedrossian Senior Project Officer

Questions from the audience

Justin Roach, Andrew Bedrossian and Ross Barton

Meeting etiquette





Net Zero Industry and Innovation



Net Zero Plan Industry & Innovation

Net Zero Industry and Innovation Program



The NSW Government's plan to **support and partner with industry to reduce emissions** and help businesses prosper in a low carbon world.

Over **\$1 billion** will be invested by the NSW Government to 2030.

It sets out the **importance of private co-investment** to deliver NSW's targets.

Giving business the **confidence to invest** in a low carbon future.

Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

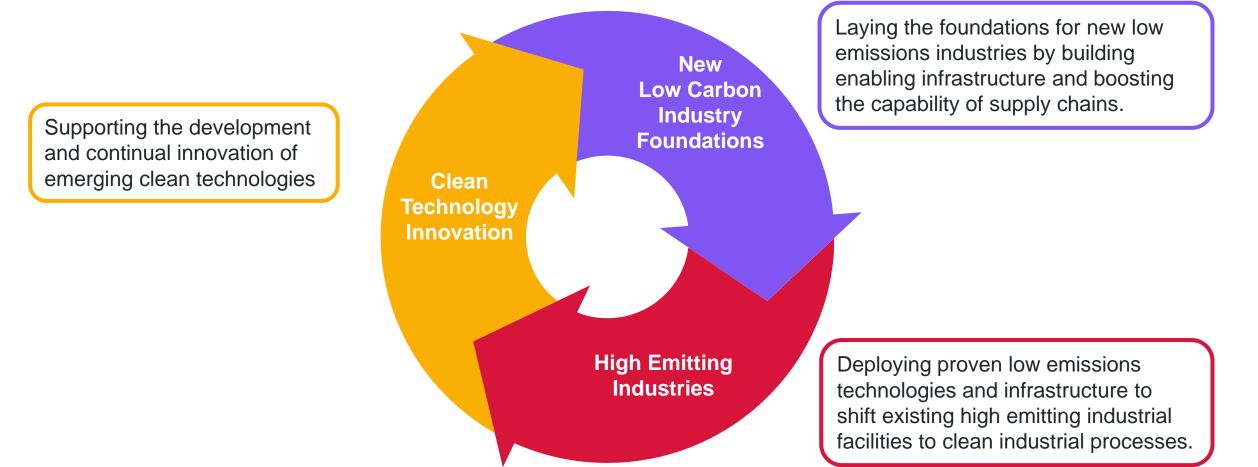
Net Zero Industry and Innovation Program

Driving a clean industrial revolution March 2021



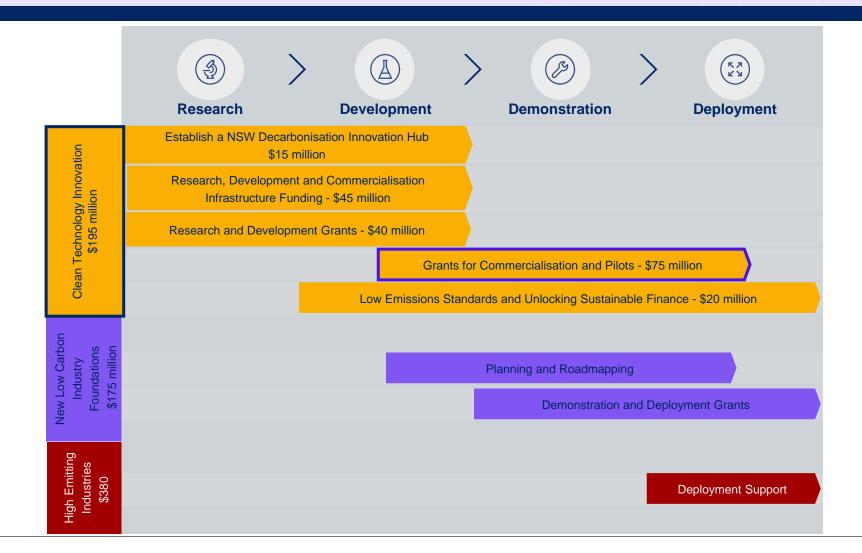
Program focus areas





Program streams









The current priority areas for the Clean Technology Innovation are:

- Electrification & Energy Systems accelerating renewable energy solutions and supporting the uptake of electrification in other sectors
- Land & Primary Industries coordinating and aligning efforts in the next wave of sustainable land and primary industry practices as the sector contributes significant proportions of NSW emissions
- **Power fuels including hydrogen** growing an environmentally sustainable NSW powerfuels industry and unlocking decarbonisation opportunities for many hard to abate sectors beyond 2030.

These priority areas will guide investments across the Clean Technology Innovation streams.



Technology priority areas will be reviewed every two years as the OCSE Decarbonisation Innovation Study is updated

About this grant



Net Zero Plan Industry & Innovation



Purpose

To support incubators, pre-accelerators, accelerators and other similar initiatives to equip clean technology start-ups and researchers with the skills and resources they need to succeed in Australian and international markets.

Objective

The objectives of round 1 are to:

- increase the number of clean technology start-ups and researchers accessing incubator, pre-accelerator or accelerator programs
- enhance and scale-up the services and capabilities of these types of initiatives
- develop the commercial and entrepreneurial skills of clean technology start-ups and researchers
- increase the number of opportunities for clean technology start-ups to access early-stage capital.

Available funding



Total funding available	Minimum grant amount	Maximum grant amount	Maximum project duration
\$4 million	\$250,000	\$2 million	4 years

Co-contribution requirements:

- projects in the Greater Sydney Districts must provide a minimum of 1:1 matched funding
- projects outside the Greater Sydney Districts must provide a minimum of 2:1 matched funding (i.e. \$2 from Government to \$1 from Applicant).

Eligibility criteria



Eligible applicants

• Core requirements for lead applicants.

Eligible projects

The project must:

- be based in NSW and primarily support NSW-based clean technology start-ups and researchers
- comply with the funding and project duration requirements
- involve:
 - scaling-up or establishing a new clean technology incubator, pre-accelerator, or accelerator, or
 - providing additional commercialisation training to clean technology researchers at public research institutions.

Criticality of grant funding

- Project would not proceed without this funding
- Meets co-contribution requirements.

Merit criteria



Value Proposition (35%)

- Distinct value proposition of your project
- Proposed services
- Proposed business model and long-term sustainability
- Other activities to support the broader clean technology ecosystem.

Management capability (25%)

- Experience delivering similar projects and supporting clean technology start-ups and researchers
- Key personnel
- Collaboration details.

Project Delivery Plan (25%)

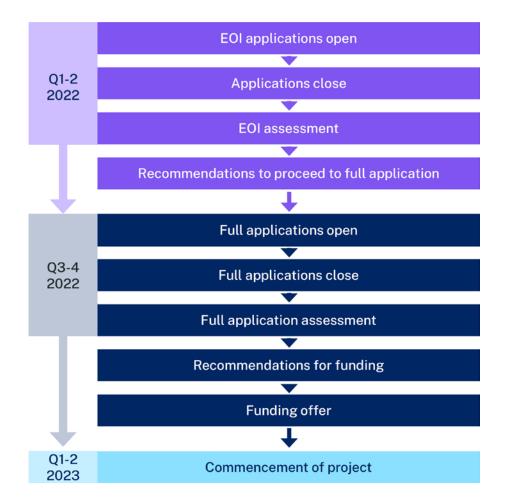
- High-level project plan
- High-level budget
- Proposed method for recruiting start-ups and researchers
- Any risks and mitigation strategies.

Alignment with NSW Government strategic objectives (15%)

- Alignment with grant objectives
- Environmental, social and economic benefits to NSW.

Two stage grant process





Key dates

EOI opened: 10 March 2022

EOI closes: 5pm, 22 April 2022

Full Application invited: July 2022

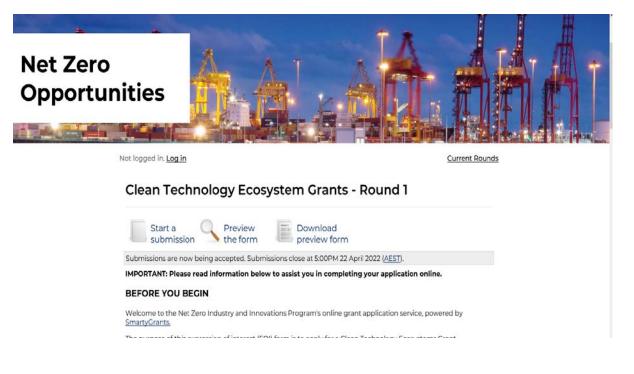
Submitting an EOI



EOIs will close at 5pm on 22 April 2022

- Access the EOI form via the grant website: www.energysaver.nsw.gov.au/clean-techecosystem
- All EOI applications must be submitted through SmartyGrants online
- For technical support using SmartyGrants, please download the SmartyGrants handbook from the EOI page
- No late submissions will be accepted.

SmartyGrants



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Question time

Please post your questions in the chat



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Thank you

Visit www.energysaver.nsw.gov.au/clean-tech-ecosystem for grant guidelines and to submit and EOI

Contact us: netzeroindustry@environment.nsw.gov.au

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