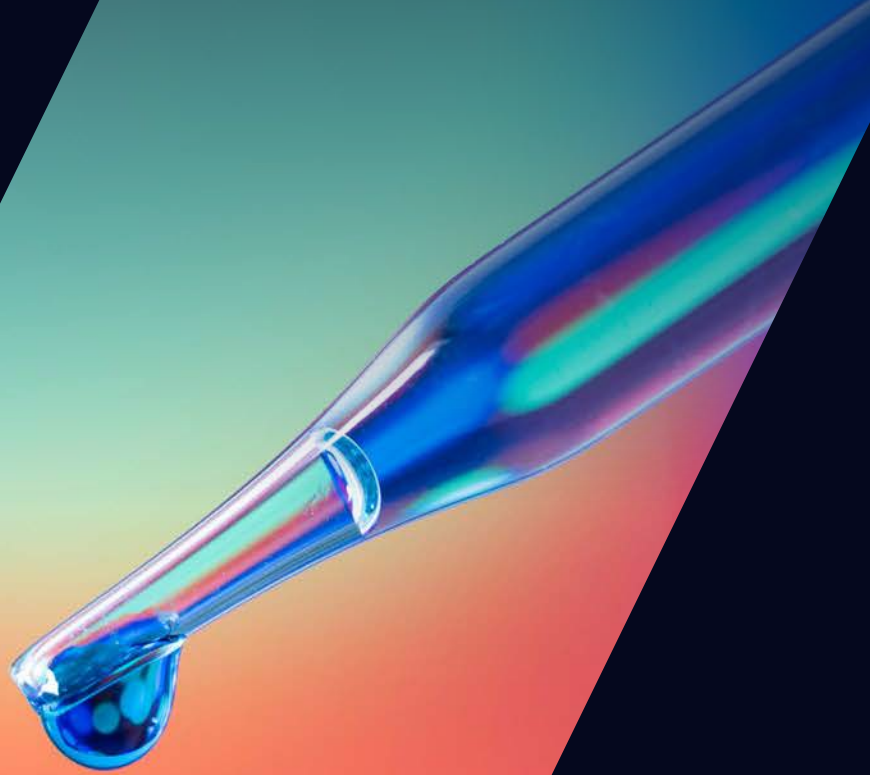




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Information, examples and answers to your questions about the topics covered here can be found on our website: www.mbie.govt.nz or by calling us free on: **0800 693 778**.

DISCLAIMER

This document is a guide only. It should not be used as a substitute for legislation or legal advice. The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment is not responsible for the results of any actions taken on the basis of information in this document, or for any errors or omissions.

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MIHI

Tēnā koutou

This Call for Proposals provides you with information on how to apply to the Fund, how your application will be assessed, what happens if your application is successful, and how to contact us for assistance with the application process.

Ko te tūmanako he āwhina i roto nei.
Nā mātou o Hīkina Whakatutuki ki a koutou.

THE ENDEAVOUR FUND

The Endeavour Fund supports excellent research with the potential to positively transform New Zealand’s economy, environment and society. The fund uses an open, contestable mechanism to select excellent research proposals that will provide the highest potential impacts across a range of economic, environmental, and social objectives.

Funding is made through two investment mechanisms – Smart Ideas and Research Programmes.

- **Smart Ideas** are intended to catalyse and rapidly test promising, innovative research ideas with high potential for benefit to New Zealand, to refresh and enable diversity in the science portfolio.
- **Research Programmes** are intended to support ambitious, excellent and well-defined research ideas which have credible and high potential to positively transform New Zealand’s future in areas of future value, growth, or critical need.

More information on each mechanism and the scope of the research that the Endeavour Fund will support is detailed in the [Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022-2024](#) and the [Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice](#).

MBIE now invites proposals to be considered for investment from the Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round. This Call for Proposals contains the information required to prepare and submit a proposal.

WHAT FUNDING IS AVAILABLE

INVESTMENT MECHANISM	INDICATIVE TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE PER YEAR	FUNDING AVAILABLE PER CONTRACT	CONTRACT TERM
Smart Ideas	\$18 million	\$0.4 - \$1.0 million over the term of the contract	2 or 3 years
Research Programmes	\$39 million	\$0.5 million or more per year	3, 4, or 5 years

For the 2023 investment round, the Science Board will aim to fund at least 49 Smart Ideas and 19 Research Programmes.

WHO CAN APPLY?

For proposals to be eligible under the Endeavour Fund, they must:

- be made by a New Zealand-based Research Organisation or a New Zealand-based legal entity representing a New Zealand-based Research Organisation
- be designed so that the majority of benefits accrue outside of the Research Organisation or legal entity which represents the Research Organisation
- not be made by a department of the public service as listed in Schedule 2 of the Public Service Act 2020
- be made under an investment mechanism specified in the Schedules to the 2023 Gazette Notice
- be for research, science or technology, or related activities, the majority of which are to be undertaken in New Zealand, unless the Science Board considers that there are compelling reasons to consider the proposals, despite the amount of research, science or technology or related activities being proposed to be undertaken overseas
- not benefit a Russian state institution (including but not limited to support for Russian military or security activity) or an organisation outside government that may be perceived as contributing to the war effort
- meet any applicable timing, formatting, system or other similar administrative requirements imposed by MBIE in supplying administrative services to the Science Board under section 10(7) of the RS&T Act 2010
- advise that the proposed funding recipient will, and the Science Board is of the view that it can, adhere to the terms and conditions of funding set out in an investment contract determined by the Science Board
- must not be for activities already funded elsewhere.

In addition to the above criteria, to be eligible:

- research proposals can include some out-of-scope research outcomes (Health¹, Defence and Expanding Knowledge) and remain eligible, as long as the sum of these outcomes is less than 50% of the proposal's outcomes.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Email Application queries: endeavour@mbie.govt.nz

IMS queries: imssupport@mbie.govt.nz

Phone 0800 693 778 (Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm)

You can also [subscribe](#) to our Alert e-newsletter.

¹ Health includes cost savings to the healthcare system.

THE APPLICATION AND ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Application to the Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round is made through two investment mechanisms – Smart Ideas and Research Programmes.

The Smart Ideas investment mechanism catalyses and rapidly tests promising, innovative research ideas with high potential for benefit to New Zealand, to refresh and enable diversity in the science portfolio. Proposals are between \$0.4 million to \$1 million for a term of either two or three years.

The Research Programmes investment mechanism supports ambitious, excellent, and well-defined research ideas which, collectively, have credible and high potential to positively transform New Zealand's future in areas of future value, growth or critical need. Proposals are for a minimum of \$0.5 million per year for a term of three, four, or five years. There is no maximum value.

THE SMART IDEAS APPLICATION PROCESS

1. REGISTRATION	Phase One: Registration Registration is compulsory. Applicants cannot submit a Concept until they have registered.
2. CONCEPT	Phase Two: Concept Applicant submits a Concept. Independent Assessors review Concept against the Excellence assessment criteria. The Science Board decides if the Concept is eligible. Based on the Assessor reviews, the Science Board decides which Concepts progress to Full Proposal submission. Successful Applicants are invited to submit a Full Proposal.
3. FULL PROPOSAL	Phase Three: Full Proposal Invited Applicant submits a Full Proposal. Independent Assessors review Full Proposal against: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the Excellence assessment criteria, and• the Impact assessment criteria. The Science Board decides if the Full Proposal is eligible. Based on the Assessor reviews, the Science Board makes its investment decisions and may use the portfolio approach.

Refer to the [Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice](#) for the eligibility requirements, and the Excellence and Impact assessment criteria.

Membership of the College of Assessors and the institutional level success rates will be published on [MBIE's Endeavour Fund webpages](#).

THE RESEARCH PROGRAMMES APPLICATION PROCESS

<p>1. REGISTRATION</p>	<p>Phase One: Registration</p> <p>Registration is compulsory. Applicants cannot submit a Full Proposal until they have registered.</p>
<p>2. FULL PROPOSAL</p>	<p>Phase Two: Full Proposal</p> <p>Applicant submits a Full Proposal.</p> <p>Independent Assessors review Full Proposal against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Excellence assessment criteria. <p>The Science Board decides if the Full Proposal is eligible.</p> <p>Based on the Assessor reviews, the Science Board decides which Full Proposals progress for Impact assessment.</p> <p>Independent Assessors review proposals against:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Impact assessment criteria. <p>Based on the Assessor reviews, the Science Board makes its investment decisions and will use the portfolio approach.</p>

Refer to the [Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice](#) for the eligibility requirements, and the Excellence and Impact assessment criteria.

Membership of the College of Assessors and the institutional level success rates will be published on [MBIE’s Endeavour Fund webpages](#).

KEY DATES

	SMART IDEAS	RESEARCH PROGRAMMES
Roadshows	3, 10 and 11 October 2022	3, 10 and 11 October 2022
Registration Period	30 September 2022 until 12 noon, 2 November 2022	30 September 2022 until 12 noon, 7 December 2022
Submission Period for Concepts	30 September 2022 until 12 noon, 23 November 2022	N/A
Science Board Decisions on Concepts Announced and Successful Applicants Invited to Submit a Full Proposal	Late March 2023	N/A
Feedback from Assessors to Applicants on Smart Ideas Concepts	Late March – early April 2023	N/A
# Submission Period for Full Proposals	Late March – early April 2023 until 12 noon, 17 May 2023	30 September 2022 until 12 noon, 1 March 2023
Science Board Funding Decisions Announced	Mid- to late September 2023	Mid- to late September 2023
Contracts Begin	1 October 2023	1 October 2023

The submission period for Smart Ideas Full Proposals will be advised in the Science Board notification letters.

Any change to key dates will be notified via [MBIE's Endeavour Fund Alert e-newsletter](#).

FUNDING DECISIONS

The Science Board decides on eligibility and makes the investment decisions in accordance with the Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice, considering:

- independent Assessor reviews and portfolio balance
- investment signals and targets in the Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022-2024.

The Science Board may decide to invest less than the total funding indicated. It may also make decisions resulting in more or less funding than is indicated in the Investment Plan being invested in an investment mechanism or an Endeavour Fund objective.

The Science Board will aim to fund at least 49 Smart Ideas and 19 Research Programmes.

CONTRACTING

If the Science Board decides to invest in your proposal, MBIE will enter into a Science Investment Contract and an associated Work Programme Agreement with your organisation (subject to any pre-contract conditions being met). A sample contract is available on our [Endeavour Fund webpage](#). MBIE will only enter into a Science Investment Contract with a New Zealand based legal entity.

The Science Board may:

- set pre-contract conditions that must be met before MBIE and the applicant organisation can enter into a Science Investment Contract or any Work Programme Agreement
- set special contract conditions, and/or
- vary the funding allocated from that requested.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

MBIE will publish the membership of the College of Assessors on MBIE's [College of Assessors webpage](#) before your application(s) (Concepts and/or Full Proposals) are assigned to Assessors. If you identify that an Assessor has an actual, potential, or perceived direct or indirect conflict of interest, declare this in the Conflicts of Interest section of your application. If you discover a potential conflict of interest after proposal submission, you must notify MBIE immediately by emailing endeavour@mbie.govt.nz with details of the conflict.

Conflicts of interest may occur on two different levels:

- a **direct conflict** of interest; where an Assessor is:
 - directly involved with a proposal (as a participant, manager, mentor, or partner) or has a close personal relationship with the Applicant, for example, family members
 - a collaborator or in some other way involved with an Applicant's proposal.
- an **indirect conflict** of interest; where an Assessor:
 - is employed by an organisation involved in a proposal but is not part of the Applicant's proposal
 - has a personal and/or professional relationship with one of the Applicants, e.g., an acquaintance
 - is assessing a proposal under discussion that may compete with their business interests.

PRIVACY

You are responsible for ensuring that all parties cited in your Registration, Concept and/or Full Proposal:

- have confirmed their personal details and the nature and level of their involvement in the work described in the proposal is correct
- are aware of our Investment Management System ([IMS](#)) [Privacy Statement](#) that describes how this information will be used and know the process to follow should any changes to this information be required, and
- are aware that MBIE may make the names of project team members public.

MEETING THE NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT DATA REQUIREMENTS

We are committed to ensuring that all science data generated through its investments meets minimum expectations of good data management and public availability. We provide data to the [New Zealand Research Information System \(NZRIS\)](#) about research funding and activity in New Zealand, such as what projects are under way, how they are being funded, and what resources are being used.

If you receive funding, we encourage you to comply with the [New Zealand Government Open Access and Licensing Framework](#). This framework advocates the use of [Creative Commons licences](#).

Proposals that include environmental science are subject to our [Environmental Data Management Policy Statement](#). If you receive new funding for research that includes environmental science, you may agree to license under a [Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 New Zealand licence](#) (CC-BY) copyright works produced.

DIVERSITY IN SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

We are committed to understanding and promoting diversity in Science and Research. Individuals fulfilling key roles in your proposed project will be required to individually register in IMS, and then invited to enter their diversity data. For more information, see our [Diversity Statement](#).

PREPARING YOUR FUNDING APPLICATION

This section contains the Registration, Concept, and Full Proposal templates that you can use to prepare your funding application. Each template contains the information required and guidance on preparing that information. This is a guide and is not intended to constrain the information you provide. Fields with a red asterisk (*) indicate mandatory information and must be completed before you can save and close your current section.

Ensure that the proposed detail you provide:

- complies with the eligibility criteria and addresses the assessment criteria outlined in the [Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice](#)
- addresses the Government's investment priorities and investment signals detailed in the [Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022-2024](#)
- does not duplicate investment through the wider science system or research which is already underway elsewhere, either domestically or overseas
- considers the aims of the [Vision Mātauranga Policy](#) to achieve excellent research of relevance and impact to Māori and New Zealand.

Note: you can include some out-of-scope research outcomes (Health², Defence and Expanding Knowledge) and remain eligible, as long as the sum of these outcomes is less than 50% of the proposal's outcomes.

Registration is performed in MBIE's Investment Management System (IMS) – a secure online portal. Completed Concepts and Full Proposals are also submitted in the IMS portal. We recommend you draft the required information using a word processing program of your choice and then when ready to submit, copy and paste the necessary segments into the appropriate IMS portal fields and upload your supporting documentation as directed. See page 40 for more detailed IMS portal information.

Any words used in images should be kept to the **barest minimum**. They must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.

² Health includes cost savings to the healthcare system.

REGISTRATION TEMPLATE (FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES)

This template contains the information required when registering for either Endeavour Fund Smart Ideas or Research Programmes funding. Use it to help gather the information you need to formulate your Registration. Fields with a red asterisk (*) indicate mandatory information and must be completed before you can save and close your current section.

Registration is completed in the IMS portal. You can register your intent for:

- Smart Ideas funding from Friday **30 September 2022** until **12 noon, 2 November 2022**
- Research Programmes funding from Friday **30 September 2022** until **12 noon, 7 December 2022**

These dates are subject to change. Any change will be notified via MBIE’s Endeavour Fund [Alert e-newsletter](#). See page 40 for more detailed IMS portal information.

REGISTRATION TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

Required information:

- Adhere to word limits where noted. Fields with a red asterisk (*) indicate mandatory information and must be completed before you can save and close your current section.
- Unless specifically requested, do not include URLs. Information provided by way of URL links to websites will not be considered or assessed. IMS will direct you on how to enter your information and upload supporting information.
- Ensure that your Registration directly addresses the eligibility criteria and considers the Fund’s investment objectives.

PROPOSAL INFORMATION

*Contracting Organisation	Name and Address is populated from IMS User information	
New Zealand Business Number (NZBN)	Populated from IMS User information If there is no NZBN or registration number shown below, please contact IMSsupport@mbie.govt.nz with your number.	
Registration number	Populated from IMS User information If you are a Trust, Incorporated Society, or Company your registration number will show here.	
*Total MBIE funding requested	Specify the total funding across all years that you are requesting.	
*Title	Provide a meaningful and accurate descriptive title that identifies the nature of the proposal. Do not include acronyms or abbreviations. Titles should clearly reflect the nature of the research involved. Avoid puns, cryptic or humorous “tabloid” style titles. <i>It will be possible to change the title after Registration.</i>	Word Limit: 12 Words
*Investment Mechanism	Smart Ideas or Research Programmes.	
*Number of years funding requested	Specify the number of years you are applying for funding. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Smart Ideas you can apply for two or three years of funding. • For Research Programmes you can apply for three, four, or five years of funding. 	

REGISTRATION TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

<p>*Investment Signals</p>	<p>Select one or both of the specific investment signals that your proposal addresses. These signals may be used during the portfolio approach, so it is important to be accurate and articulate well in your application why and how your proposal aligns to the selected signals. The full wording of the signals is in the Investment Plan 2022-2024.</p> <p>The Science Board will look for opportunities to fund proposals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whose primary objective is to create new knowledge pathways to support the transition to a low emissions and climate resilient economy. • That support new or existing industries to be knowledge intensive (i.e., are characterised by workforces that are predominantly highly skilled, and which have the technology, tools and resources necessary to create higher value products and services). <p>Explain your selections.</p> <p>State “Not Applicable” if your proposal does not align to the specific signals.</p> <p><i>Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 400 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Impact Category (Research Programmes only)</p>	<p>Specify the impact category that most aligns to your proposal and explain your choice.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Research Programmes: <i>Protect and Add Value</i> 2. Research Programmes: <i>Transform</i> <p>Explain your choice.</p> <p>See the Investment Plan 2022-2024 for more information.</p> <p><i>Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 400 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Research Keywords</p>	<p>List up to 15 key words (each between 3 and 55 characters in length) that describe the nature of your research.</p> <p>Do not include acronyms or abbreviations.</p> <p><i>The keywords entered here will apply to your Concept or Full Proposal and cannot be changed after Registration. They will be used to help select Assessors for your proposal.</i></p>	
<p>*Research Classifications</p>	<p>The Australian and New Zealand Standard Research Classifications (ANZSRC) are used.</p> <p>You are required to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to three Field of Research (FOR) and three Socio-Economic Objective (SEO) ANZSRC codes to categorise the research and development activities associated with your application. The relative proportion of total expenditure attributed to each of these should add up to 100%. Please use as few codes as possible. <p>The codes selected will apply to your proposal and cannot be changed after Registration. They will be used to help select Assessors for your proposal.</p> <p>The ANZSRC classifications used by MBIE can be found in Stats NZ’s classification management system Aria as follows:</p> <p>Field of Research 2020</p> <p>Socio-Economic Objective 2020</p>	

REGISTRATION TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

	<p>Further information on MBIE’s use of ANZSRC codes and findings from the recent 2-year review of ANZSRC are provided on MBIE’s webpages.</p> <p>When selecting your ANZSRC SEO codes, note that research proposals can include some out-of-scope research outcomes (Health [20XXXX; 2103XX; 2107XX; 2111XX;], Defence [14XXXX] and Expanding Knowledge [28XXXX]) and remain eligible, as long as the sum of these outcomes is less than 50% of the proposal’s outcomes. If the sum of these out-of-scope research outcomes is 50% or greater, then the proposal will be declined as ineligible.</p> <p>Guidance for out-of-scope research objectives.</p> <p>Take care to apply the correct Socio-Economic Objective (SEO) ANZSRC code research classification to your proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selecting SEO codes in Health (20XXXX; 2103XX; 2107XX; 2111XX) is likely to indicate that the main Socio-Economic Objective of the project is to improve health outcomes for New Zealanders. This cannot be the primary objective of research funded by the Endeavour Fund. Consider the primary aim of your research and whether it should be coded to economic or non-health related social outcomes. If not, redirect your application to other funding sources. • Selecting SEO codes in Defence (14XXXX). Defence is not considered an Economic, Environmental, or Societal outcome. Consider the primary aim of your research and whether it should be coded to Economic, Environment or Societal outcome. If not, redirect your application to other funding sources. • Selecting SEO codes in the Expanding Knowledge (28XXXX) series indicates that the project does not have an identifiable Socio-Economic Objective, and this code should only be used for pure, basic research. Consider the primary aim of your research and whether it should be coded to Economic, Environmental or Societal outcomes. If not, redirect your application to other funding sources. <p>MBIE may contact you if we identify a potentially inaccurate coding. Regardless of how your proposal is coded under the ANZSRC research classification, if the Science Board considers an Endeavour Fund proposal contains primarily out of scope research outcomes, the proposal will be determined to be out-of-scope and cannot be awarded funding.</p> <p><i>The codes entered here will apply to the proposal and cannot be changed after Registration.</i></p>
<p>*Primary Contact</p>	<p>Provide the name, email address and telephone number of your primary contact person. This contact must have the authority to discuss your proposal with us and will receive MBIE communications and updates. It is usually someone from your Research Office and should not be the Science Leader.</p>
<p>*Secondary Contact</p>	<p>Provide a name, email address and telephone number of a second contact person. This secondary contact must differ from the primary.</p>
<p>PROPOSAL SUMMARY AND ELIGIBILITY</p>	
<p>*Proposal Summary</p>	<p>Please provide a brief summary of what your project aims to deliver. This summary will help MBIE to identify the types of assessment expertise required during subsequent phases of the application process.</p> <p><i>Your summary will populate to your Concept or proposal and cannot be changed after Registration. It can however be used to provide the basis for the Executive Summary in subsequent application phases.</i></p>
	<p>Word Limit: 280 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

REGISTRATION TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

<p>*Eligibility</p>	<p>Confirm that your application meets the eligibility criteria set out in the Gazette Notice:</p> <p>Proposals must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be made by a New Zealand-based Research Organisation or a New Zealand-based legal entity representing a New Zealand based Research Organisation • be designed so that the majority of benefits accrue outside of the Research Organisation or legal entity which represents the Research Organisation • not be made by a department of the public service as listed in Schedule 2 of the Public Service Act 2020 • be made under an investment mechanism specified in the Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice • be for research, science or technology, or related activities, the majority of which are to be undertaken in New Zealand, unless the Science Board considers that there are compelling reasons to consider the proposals, despite the amount of research, science or technology or related activities being proposed to be undertaken overseas • not benefit a Russian state institution (including but not limited to support for Russian military or security activity) or an organisation outside government that may be perceived as contributing to the war effort • meet any applicable timing, formatting, system or other similar administrative requirements imposed by MBIE in supplying administrative services to the Science Board under section 10(7) of the RS&T Act 2010 • advise that the proposed funding recipient will, and the Science Board is of the view that it can adhere to the terms and conditions of funding set out in an investment contract determined by the Science Board • must not be for activities already funded elsewhere. <p>In addition to the above criteria, to be eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research proposals can include some out-of-scope research outcomes (Health, Defence and Expanding Knowledge) and remain eligible, as long as the sum of these outcomes is less than 50% of the proposal’s outcomes. Note that Health includes cost savings to the healthcare system. <p>If you are unsure whether your application meets these criteria, explain why.</p> <p><i>Please note that applications determined to be ineligible by the Science Board cannot be awarded funding.</i></p>
<p>PROJECT TEAM</p>	
<p>*Indicative Project Team</p>	<p>Specify the following for all known project team members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • first and last name • organisation • role <p>The Science Leader information is required at this point. MBIE will use this team information to help select Assessors for your proposal.</p>
<p>SUPPORTING INFORMATION</p>	
<p>Conflicts of Interest</p>	<p>Declare any potential conflicts of interest and say why. See page 9 for more details, and the members of the College of Assessors.</p>

CONCEPT TEMPLATE (FOR SMART IDEAS)

This template contains the information you should cover in your Concept for Endeavour Fund Smart Ideas funding. Use it to help gather the information you need to formulate your Concept. Where noted you will be asked to validate and if necessary, expand and/or amend information submitted at Registration. Fields with a red asterisk (*) indicate mandatory information and must be completed before you can save and close your current section.

The [2023 Endeavour Fund Assessment Guidelines](#) provide useful insight into how your Concepts will be assessed and can be used to help you formulate your Concept.

Concepts can be submitted to MBIE in the IMS portal immediately after Registration from **Friday 30 September 2022 until 12 noon, Wednesday 23 November 2022.**

These dates are subject to change. Any change will be notified via MBIE's Endeavour Fund [Alert e-newsletter](#).

See page 40 for more detailed IMS portal information.

CONCEPT TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS

Required information:

- Adhere to word limits where noted. Fields with a red asterisk (*) indicate mandatory information and must be completed before you can save and close your current section.
- Unless specifically requested, do not include URLs. Information provided by way of URL links to websites will not be considered or assessed. IMS will direct you in how to enter your information and upload supporting information.
- Ensure that your Concept directly addresses the eligibility and assessment criteria and considers the Fund's investment objectives.

PROPOSAL INFORMATION

<p>*Proposal Information</p>	<p>Confirm the information entered at Registration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the total funding across all years that you are requesting • the number of years you want funding; either two or three years. 	
<p>*Investment Signals</p>	<p>Validate/update all investment signals that your proposal addresses. These signals may be used during the portfolio approach so it is important to be accurate and articulate well in your application why your proposal aligns to the selected signals. The full wording of the signals is in the Investment Plan 2022-2024.</p> <p>The Science Board will look for opportunities to fund proposals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whose primary objective is to create new knowledge pathways to support the transition to a low emissions and climate resilient economy. • That support new or existing industries to be knowledge intensive (i.e., are characterised by workforces that are predominantly highly skilled, and which have the technology, tools and resources necessary to create higher value products and services). <p>Explain your selections.</p> <p>State "Not Applicable" if your proposal does not align to the specific signals.</p> <p><i>Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 400 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Research Keywords</p>	<p>Keywords that you selected at Registration will be auto populated into your Concept and cannot be changed.</p>	

CONCEPT TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS	
*Research Classifications	Field of Research (FOR) and Socio-Economic Objective (SEO) ANZSRC codes that you selected at Registration will be auto populated into your Concept and cannot be changed.
*Primary Contact	Validate/update the name, email address and telephone number of your primary contact person. <i>This contact must have the mandate to discuss the proposal with MBIE officials. It is usually someone from your Research Office and should not be the Science Leader.</i>
*Secondary Contact	Validate/update the name, email address and telephone number of your secondary contact person. <i>The secondary contact must differ from the primary contact.</i>
PROPOSAL SUMMARY AND ELIGIBILITY	
*Proposal Summary	The Proposal Summary that you provided at Registration will be auto populated into your Concept and cannot be changed.
*Eligibility	<p>Confirm that your application meets the eligibility criteria set out in the 2023 Gazette Notice: Proposals must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be made by a New Zealand-based Research Organisation or a New Zealand-based legal entity representing a New Zealand based Research Organisation • be designed so that the majority of benefits accrue outside of the Research Organisation or legal entity which represents the Research Organisation • not be made by a department of the public service as listed in Schedule 2 of the Public Service Act 2020 • be made under an investment mechanism specified in the Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice • be for research, science or technology, or related activities, the majority of which are to be undertaken in New Zealand, unless the Science Board considers that there are compelling reasons to consider the proposals, despite the amount of research, science or technology or related activities being proposed to be undertaken overseas • not benefit a Russian state institution (including but not limited to support for Russian military or security activity) or an organisation outside government that may be perceived as contributing to the war effort • meet any applicable timing, formatting, system or other similar administrative requirements imposed by MBIE in supplying administrative services to the Science Board under section 10(7) of the RS&T Act 2010 • advise that the proposed funding recipient will, and the Science Board is of the view that it can adhere to the terms and conditions of funding set out in an investment contract determined by the Science Board • must not be for activities already funded elsewhere. <p>In addition to the above criteria, to be eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research proposals can include some out-of-scope research outcomes (Health, Defence and Expanding Knowledge) and remain eligible, as long as the sum of these outcomes is less than 50% of the proposal's outcomes. Note that Health includes cost savings to the healthcare system. <p>If you are unsure whether your application meets these criteria, explain why. <i>Please note that applications determined to be ineligible by the Science Board cannot be awarded funding.</i></p>

CONCEPT TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS

FUNDING PROPOSAL

***Executive Summary**

Summarise the overall objective of your proposed research and how you will achieve it, including:

- why your research is needed (the issue or problem you are addressing)
- what you propose to do (your hypothesis and scientific approach)
- your proposed team
- the results, impacts, and outcomes you expect, how they will be achieved, and who will use or benefit from them.

The Executive Summary is your opportunity to introduce Assessors and the Science Board to your research, your team, the potential impact(s) of that research and your methodology. It should **not** introduce material that is not present in the Excellence and Impact sections of your Concept.

You may wish to expand on the Proposal Summary entered at Registration.

Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.

*Word Limit:
280 Words*

This limit includes words in a table.

VISION MĀTAURANGA

***Vision Mātauranga**

Answer the following questions:

- Will this proposal give effect to the Vision Mātauranga Policy, i.e., realise the potential of Māori people, knowledge, and resources? (Yes/No)
 - If yes: How will this proposal give effect to the Vision Mātauranga Policy? In describing impacts to be realised for New Zealand, include the specific activities, outputs and outcomes that will create impact for Māori.
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- What percentage of the total personnel costs are attributed to the named Māori project team members?
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- What percentage of the project activity is led or co-led by Māori as co-designers, leaders or kaitiaki of the research?
- What best describes the use of Mātauranga Māori in your project (select one)?
 - It does not contain Mātauranga Māori
 - There is some Mātauranga Māori, but it is not the main science knowledge
 - There is a balance between Mātauranga Māori and other science knowledge
 - Mātauranga Māori is the central knowledge system in the project
- What percentage of the proposed activities will use a Kaupapa Māori methodology?

Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.

*Word Limit:
500 Words*

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EXCELLENCE

<p>*Science</p>	<p>Describe the excellence of your research by clearly explaining in a way/order that is logical for your Concept:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the science or technical issue or problem you are aiming to address your overarching research question or hypothesis that addresses the identified issue or problem how your approach is ambitious in terms of scientific risk, technical risk, novelty, and/or innovative approaches noting that early-stage research may pose higher scientific or technical risk than later-stage research how your research is positioned in the domestic and international research context how you will leverage additional value from wider research, e.g., through collaborations with national and international researchers, teams or institutions to utilise state-of-the-art knowledge and facilities how your research will recognise the distinctive research, science and innovation contributions of Māori people, knowledge and resources, including Mātauranga Māori how you will progress and disseminate the new knowledge generated (beyond publications) how you will manage risk (e.g., what are your high-level contingency plans). <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 400 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Team</p>	<p>Provide confidence that your team can deliver the proposed research by describing the following in a way/order that is logical for your proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> their skills, knowledge and experience relevant to the proposed activities how the mix of skills is appropriate for the proposed activities, including appropriate Māori expertise how they will manage the risks associated with the team itself (e.g., provision of mentoring for Early Career Researchers, limits on student availability due to the pandemic, succession planning). <p><i>You may include references, but not images, hyperlinks, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>IMPACT (NOT SCORED AT CONCEPT STAGE)</p>		
<p>*Benefit to New Zealand</p> <p>Note: this section is solely to provide context and will not be scored as part of the Smart Ideas Concepts assessment process.</p>	<p>Describe how your proposed research will deliver public benefit to New Zealand by clearly explaining:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the problem to be solved or the opportunity to be taken and how this has potential to benefit New Zealand the scale and extent of potential benefits how the research aligns with one or more areas of future additional value, growth or critical need for New Zealand the potential impacts for Māori. <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

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PROJECT DELIVERY

<p>*Research Plan</p>	<p>Explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • your chosen approach • how the key components of your Research Aim(s), collectively, will enable you to achieve your Impact Statement(s) • the technical risks you have identified, and the steps you have taken or will take to mitigate or manage them. <p>Your Research Plan should be understandable to Assessors, regardless of their specific field of expertise.</p> <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 280 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Specialist Resources</p>	<p>Explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the resources you will need to access or purchase to support the proposed research • measures you have taken or will take to secure those resources • any risks to obtaining the resources, and how those risks will be managed, and • evidence of the commitment you have around resources. <p>Resource examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • access to land or ocean resources • high performance “super” computing facilities • pilot plant facilities • controlled climate laboratories • research ships • physical containment (PC) facilities at PC3 or PC4 levels (not PC1 or PC2) • logistical support for Antarctic research • data not in the public domain that is critical for your research • essential analytical services not available within the team • facilities located offshore. <p>Do not list laboratory facilities, plant or equipment that are readily available and would be considered “standard” in an organisation with internal research capability.</p> <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 280 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

PROJECT TEAM

<p>*Project Team</p>	<p>Using the sample Team Table that follows, update/expand on the team information detailed at Registration.</p> <p>List the key personnel that will be involved and provide supporting CVs.</p> <p>Please note that this year we have included a narrative-style CV template in addition to the standard academic CV template. You are free to use either of these templates. For both templates, include only those sections relevant to your skills and experience, but please adhere to the formatting instructions and do not exceed 5 pages. We recommend that you upload your CV as a PDF document.</p> <p>Both CV templates can be downloaded from the IMS portal in the proposal’s Project Team section, or from MBIE’s website. While applicants are free to choose the template which best suits their needs, please note that only ONE CV per person can be uploaded with the proposal. Please also note that Assessors have been advised that both CV formats carry equal weight and should be assessed equally.</p>
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For more information on the narrative-style CV format, please visit [MBIE's website](#).

Key personnel:

- ***Science Leaders:** the researcher(s) with responsibility for leading science/research and directing the programme.
- ***Leaders:** the researcher responsible for the science/research for an individual Impact Statement, e.g., the Impact Statement Leader. At least one Leader must be named.
- ***Key Researchers:** team members involved in the research, whose expertise is critical to the success of the project. They may be from a contracted organisation, a subcontracted agency, or a stakeholder who is providing cash or in-kind co-funding of the research. At least one Key Researcher must be named.
- **Key Individuals:** team members who are not researchers but whose contribution is critical to the success of the project, e.g., implementation.
- ***Contract Manager:** the contact person for all proposal or contractual matters.
- **Post-Doctoral/early-career researchers:** the team members with seven or fewer years' active research experience after receiving a doctoral degree.
- **Students:** students involved in the research in order to contribute to their educational qualification.
- **Others:** remaining research team members not listed elsewhere.

Sample Team Table

(FTE allocation is not required at this stage) year 1 (you are able to change roles of people in subsequent years)

Role	CV	Email address	Invited to register and enter Diversity data
*#Science Leader	Mandatory	Mandatory	Yes
*#Leader	Mandatory	Mandatory	Yes
*#Key Researcher	Mandatory	Mandatory	Yes
Key Individual	Mandatory	Mandatory	Yes
*Contract Manager	Not Required	Mandatory	Not Required
Post-Doc	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required
Student	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required
Other	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required

These roles will require a minimum 0.15 FTE at proposal stage as they are 'key' roles. If less than 0.15 FTE, please choose another role as they are not considered key below this FTE contribution.

As part of MBIE's diversity policy, Science Leaders, Leaders, Key Researchers and Key Individuals will be invited to register separately in the IMS Portal where the following information will be captured:

- gender
- ethnicity
- career stage
- date of birth.

For more information on the collection of diversity information, see [MBIE's IMS portal webpage](#).

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

<p>Glossary</p>	<p>If appropriate, provide a glossary that explains any acronyms, names, terms or use of te reo Māori that may be unfamiliar.</p> <p>Your glossary should not exceed two sides of an A4 page.</p> <p>A glossary template can be downloaded from the IMS portal in the Concept’s Glossary section.</p> <p><i>Do not include images, video, or audio files.</i></p>		
<p>References / Citations</p>	<p>Upload a list of key references/citations that you have used in your Concept. These are uploaded in the IMS portal as separate documents.</p> <p>All text documents (e.g., Excel, Word and PDF) can be uploaded. If uploading a PDF, ensure that it is unsecured. If secured, we will not be able to access or print your proposal. Image files cannot be uploaded.</p>		
<p>*Special Ethical and Regulatory Requirements</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td data-bbox="416 857 1254 1330"> <p>Tell us the ethical and regulatory requirements and approvals you need to conduct the proposed research and indicate whether these have been obtained. Include any significant safety issues.</p> <p>If approvals have not yet been obtained, tell us how and when you expect to do so.</p> <p>If no ethical or regulatory requirements apply to your proposed research simply state “Not Applicable”.</p> <p>You are responsible for meeting all ethical and regulatory requirements relating to your proposed research. Any costs associated with fulfilling these requirements should be included in your budget (under Other Expenditure). If delays are incurred through failure to gain the necessary approvals, funding may be withheld, withdrawn or renegotiated.</p> <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p> </td> <td data-bbox="1254 857 1394 1330"> <p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Tell us the ethical and regulatory requirements and approvals you need to conduct the proposed research and indicate whether these have been obtained. Include any significant safety issues.</p> <p>If approvals have not yet been obtained, tell us how and when you expect to do so.</p> <p>If no ethical or regulatory requirements apply to your proposed research simply state “Not Applicable”.</p> <p>You are responsible for meeting all ethical and regulatory requirements relating to your proposed research. Any costs associated with fulfilling these requirements should be included in your budget (under Other Expenditure). If delays are incurred through failure to gain the necessary approvals, funding may be withheld, withdrawn or renegotiated.</p> <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
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<p>Conflicts of Interest</p>	<p>Declare any potential conflicts of interest and say why. See page 9 for more details, and the members of the College of Assessors.</p>		

FULL PROPOSAL TEMPLATE (FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES)

This template details the information you should cover in your Full Proposal for either Endeavour Fund Smart Ideas or Research Programmes funding. Use it to help gather the information you need to formulate your proposal.

Where noted you will be asked to validate and, if necessary, expand and/or amend information entered at Registration and, if applicable, that submitted in your Concept. Fields with a red asterisk (*) indicate mandatory information and must be completed before you can save and close your current section.

FOR SMART IDEAS

For Smart Ideas Full Proposals, the research should expand on that signalled in your Concept and not introduce new research. Smart Ideas Full Proposals can only be submitted on invitation. This invitation is made by MBIE after the Science Board’s decisions on the assessment of Concepts.

If invited to do so, Full Proposals can be submitted to MBIE in the IMS portal from late **March 2023 – early April 2023**, until **12 noon, Wednesday 17 May 2023**.

The submission period will be advised in the Science Board notification letters. Any change will be notified via MBIE’s Endeavour Fund [Alert e-newsletter](#).

FOR RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

Full Proposals can be submitted to MBIE in the IMS portal immediately after Registration from **Friday 30 September 2022** until **12 noon, Wednesday 1 March 2023**.

These dates are subject to change. Any change will be notified via MBIE’s Endeavour Fund [Alert e-newsletter](#).

All details must be entered into our online Investment Management System (IMS Portal). See page 40 for more information.

Ensure your proposal:

- complies with the eligibility criteria outlined in this Call for Proposals
- addresses the assessment criteria outlined in this Call for Proposals
- meets all applicable timing, formatting, system, or other similar administrative requirements as noted in this Call for Proposals.

	= Sections relevant to Smart Ideas only
	= Sections relevant to Research Programmes only

FULL PROPOSAL TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

Required information:

- Adhere to word limits where noted. Fields with a red asterisk (*) indicate mandatory information and must be completed before you can save and close your current section.
- Unless specifically requested, do not include URLs. Information provided by way of URL links to websites will not be considered or assessed. IMS will direct you in how to enter your information and upload supporting information.
- Ensure that your proposal directly addresses the eligibility and assessment criteria and considers the Fund's investment objectives.

PROPOSAL INFORMATION

<p>*Proposal Information</p>	<p>Proposal information that you provided at Registration or in your Concept will be auto populated into your Full Proposal. With the exception of the title, this information cannot be changed.</p> <p>All contracts begin 1 October 2023.</p>	
<p>*Title</p>	<p>Update your title, if required, to provide a meaningful and accurate descriptive title that identifies the nature of the proposal.</p> <p><i>Do not include acronyms or abbreviations. Titles should clearly reflect the nature of the research involved. Avoid puns, cryptic or humorous "tabloid" style titles.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 12 Words</p>
<p>*Investment Signals</p>	<p>Select one or both of the specific investment signals that your proposal addresses. These signals may be used during the portfolio approach, so it is important to be accurate and articulate well in your application why and how your proposal aligns to the selected signals. The full wording of the signals is in the Investment Plan 2022-2024.</p> <p>The Science Board will look for opportunities to fund proposals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whose primary objective is to create new knowledge pathways to support the transition to a low emissions and climate resilient economy. • Support new or existing industries to be knowledge intensive (i.e., are characterised by workforces that are predominantly highly skilled, and which have the technology, tools and resources necessary to create higher value products and services). <p>Explain your selections.</p> <p>State "Not Applicable" if your proposal does not align to the specific signals.</p> <p><i>Note that how your research addresses the general signals should be explained in the body of your proposal.</i></p> <p><i>Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 400 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Impact Category</p>	<p>Applicable for Research Programmes funding only.</p> <p>Validate/update the impact category that most aligns to your proposal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Programmes: Protect and Add Value • Research Programmes: Transform <p>Provide a brief explanation of how the proposal aligns to this category. The Investment Plan 2022-2024 provides more information on the impact categories.</p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 400 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table</i></p>
<p>*Research Keywords</p>	<p>Keywords that you selected at Registration will be auto populated into your Full Proposal and cannot be changed.</p>	

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<p>*Primary Contact</p>	<p>Validate/update the name, email address and telephone number of your primary contact person.</p> <p><i>This contact must have the mandate to discuss the proposal with MBIE officials and must not be the Science Leader.</i></p>
<p>*Secondary Contact</p>	<p>Validate/update the name, email address and telephone number of your secondary contact person.</p> <p><i>The secondary contact must differ from the primary contact.</i></p>
<p>PROPOSAL SUMMARY AND ELIGIBILITY</p>	
<p>*Proposal Summary</p>	<p>The Proposal Summary that you provided at Registration will be auto populated into your Full Proposal and cannot be changed.</p>
<p>*Eligibility</p>	<p>Confirm that your application meets the eligibility criteria set out in the Gazette Notice:</p> <p>Proposals must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be made by a New Zealand-based Research Organisation or a New Zealand-based legal entity representing a New Zealand based Research Organisation • be designed so that the majority of benefits accrue outside of the Research Organisation or legal entity which represents the Research Organisation • not be made by a department of the public service as listed in Schedule 2 of the Public Service Act 2020 • be made under an investment mechanism specified in the Endeavour Fund 2023 Investment Round Gazette Notice • be for research, science or technology, or related activities, the majority of which are to be undertaken in New Zealand, unless the Science Board considers that there are compelling reasons to consider the proposals, despite the amount of research, science or technology or related activities being proposed to be undertaken overseas • not benefit a Russian state institution (including but not limited to support for Russian military or security activity) or an organisation outside government that may be perceived as contributing to the war effort • meet any applicable timing, formatting, system or other similar administrative requirements imposed by MBIE in supplying administrative services to the Science Board under section 10(7) of the RS&T Act 2010 • advise that the proposed funding recipient will, and the Science Board is of the view that it can adhere to the terms and conditions of funding set out in an investment contract determined by the Science Board • must not be for activities already funded elsewhere. <p>In addition to the above criteria, to be eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • research proposals can include some out-of-scope research outcomes (Health, Defence and Expanding Knowledge) and remain eligible, as long as the sum of these outcomes is less than 50% of the proposal’s outcomes. Note that Health includes cost savings to the healthcare system. <p>If you are unsure whether your application meets these criteria, explain why.</p> <p><i>Please note that applications determined to be ineligible by the Science Board cannot be awarded funding.</i></p>

FULL PROPOSAL TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

FUNDING PROPOSAL

***Executive Summary**

If applying for Smart Ideas funding, expand on the Executive Summary submitted in your Concept.

Word Limit:
560 Words

If applying for Research Programmes funding, summarise the overall objective of your proposed research and how you will achieve it, including:

This limit includes words in a table.

- why your research is needed (the issue or problem you are addressing)
- what you propose to do (your hypothesis and scientific approach)
- your proposed team
- the results, impacts, and outcomes you expect, how they will be achieved, and who will use or benefit from them.

When writing the Executive Summary, it is useful to break the summary into short paragraphs using the headings of Science, Team, Benefit to New Zealand and Implementation Pathway(s).

Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.

VISION MĀTAURANGA

***Vision Mātauranga**

For Smart Ideas and Research Programmes, answer the following questions:

Word Limit:
500 Words

- Will this proposal give effect to the Vision Mātauranga Policy, i.e., realise the potential of Māori people, knowledge, and resources? (Yes/No)
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FULL PROPOSAL TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

EXCELLENCE

<p>*Science</p>	<p>If applying for Smart Ideas funding, expand on the Science Excellence information submitted in your Concept by explaining the points outlined below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal.</p> <p>If applying for Research Programmes funding, describe the excellence of your research by explaining the points below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal.</p> <p>Describe the excellence of your research by clearly explaining:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the science or technical issue or problem you are aiming to address • your overarching research question or hypothesis that addresses the identified issue or problem • the relevance of this hypothesis to the issue or problem identified • how your approach is ambitious in terms of scientific risk, technical risk, novelty, and/or innovative approaches noting that early-stage research may pose higher scientific or technical risk than later-stage research • the new knowledge, approaches and/or scientific or technological advances that will be enabled by your proposed approach • how your method and high-level approach (methodology) will enable the delivery of your Research Aims • how your research is positioned in the wider domestic and international research context, and leverage additional value from the wider research, science and innovation community e.g., through collaborations with national and international researchers, teams or institutions to utilise state-of-the-art knowledge and facilities • how your research will recognise the distinctive research, science and innovation contributions of Māori people, knowledge and resources, including Mātauranga Māori • how you will progress and disseminate the new knowledge generated (beyond publications). <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information. Reference where applicable but do not duplicate information provided in the Methods, Research Plan, and Work Programme sections.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 1120 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Science Risk</p>	<p>Describe your mitigation strategies and/or contingency plans in relation to the scientific and technical risks of the proposed research (excluding delivery of the research, as this should be described under Team Risk).</p> <p><i>Do not include images, hyperlinks, video or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

FULL PROPOSAL TEMPLATE FOR SMART IDEAS AND RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

<p>*Team</p>	<p>If applying for Smart Ideas funding, update/expand on the Team information detailed in your Concept.</p> <hr/> <p>If applying for Research Programmes funding, provide confidence that your team can deliver the proposed research by describing the following in a way/order that is logical for your proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • their skills, knowledge and experience relevant to the proposed activities • how the mix of skills is appropriate for the proposed activities, including appropriate Māori expertise <p><i>You may include references, but not images, hyperlinks, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p>Word Limit: 560 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Team Risk</p>	<p>Describe how you will manage the risks associated with the team’s delivery of the proposed research, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • project management • provision of mentoring for Early Career Researchers • limits on student availability due to the pandemic • succession planning. <p><i>You may include references, but not images, hyperlinks, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p>Word Limit: 280 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

IMPACT

<p>*Benefit to New Zealand</p>	<p>If applying for Smart Ideas funding, expand on the public benefits detailed in your Concept by explaining the points outlined below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the problem to be solved or the opportunity to be taken and how this is important/relevant to New Zealand • the scale and extent of potential benefits from the proposed research which sensibly reflect the end-use area and differentiate from what benefits would be expected to occur anyway through routine research investment by existing, scientifically competent businesses or user organisations • the extent of alignment with one or more areas of future additional value, growth, or critical need for New Zealand – one way to do this is to reflect Government policy, strategy and roadmaps where relevant • if appropriate, how your proposal responds to the investment signals related to the transition to a low-emissions and climate-resilient economy and/or support for new or existing industries to be knowledge intensive (stated in the Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022–2024) • the extent to which your project has identified and evaluated the potential impacts for Māori (iwi, communities/groups, and/or businesses). <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p>Word Limit: 1120 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
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If applying for Research Programmes funding under the **Protect and Add Value impact category**, describe the public benefits of your research by explaining the points below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal.

- the problem to be solved or the opportunity to be taken and how this is important/relevant to New Zealand
- the scale and extent of potential benefits from the proposed research which sensibly reflect the end-use area and differentiate from what benefits would be expected to occur anyway through routine research investment by existing, scientifically competent businesses or user organisations
- the extent of alignment with one or more areas of future additional value, growth, or critical need for New Zealand – one way to do this is to reflect Government policy, strategy, and roadmaps where relevant
- if appropriate, how your proposal responds to the investment signals related to the transition to a low-emissions and climate-resilient economy and/or support for new or existing industries to be knowledge intensive (stated in the Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022–2024)
- the extent to which your project has identified and evaluated the potential impacts for Māori (iwi, communities/groups, and/or businesses).

See the Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022–2024 for examples of the types of benefits in the Protect and Add Value impact category.

You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.

If applying for Research Programmes funding under the **Transform impact category**, describe the public benefits of your research by explaining the points below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal:

- the problem to be solved or the opportunity to be taken and how this is important/relevant to New Zealand
- the extent to which the benefits enabled by the research are a Radical Change and/or a leap in performance versus the status quo – Radical Change means “altering the fundamental nature of something”
- how the benefits will transform New Zealand’s economy, society, or environment
- the extent of alignment with one or more areas of future additional value, growth or critical need for New Zealand – one way to do this is to reflect Government policy, strategy and roadmaps where relevant
- if appropriate, how your proposal responds to the investment signals related to the transition to a low-emissions and climate-resilient economy and/or support for new or existing industries to be knowledge intensive (stated in the Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022–2024)
- the extent to which your project has identified and evaluated the potential impacts for Māori (iwi, communities/groups, and/or businesses).

Note: Transformational research involves higher risk. Evidence of large impact should not be taken as conclusive evidence of a transformational impact. See the Endeavour Fund Investment Plan 2022–2024 for examples of the types of benefits in the Transform impact category.

You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.

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<p>*Benefit to New Zealand Risk</p>	<p>Describe any assumptions used to estimate the type and scale of the potential benefits and their scale and extent to provide confidence the benefits will be realised.</p> <p><i>You may include references, but not images, hyperlinks, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Implementation Pathway(s)</p>	<p>If applying for Smart Ideas funding, justify the credibility of your indicative implementation pathway(s), and how it will deliver public benefit to New Zealand, by explaining the points outlined below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the key initiatives (and their timing) that will deliver the proposed benefits • how the pathway specification is appropriate to the state of the sector or the stage of research • how your research is intended to be taken up by end- or next-users to deliver the benefits described in the Benefit to New Zealand section • the strength of your current relationships with relevant end-users and partners, and/or how you are engaging with them, or plan to engage with them, to develop and improve relationships relevant to delivery of benefits • how you are including sufficient input from Māori at the appropriate stages(s) of the project which is adequately resourced to ensure effective implementation • partnering arrangements where applicable, and if significant private benefit may accrue to an individual end-user, how these arrangements will ensure broad benefit to New Zealand • the team’s track record in delivering impact. <p>Note: There should be sufficient end- or next-user information to confirm that the analysis takes account of the characteristics of the area in which it will be used and is not simply a generic description. Information provided should be derived from or built on credible and reliable sources, set out in a logical pattern, and supported by good quality analysis and explanation.</p> <p><i>You may include images, but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p> <p>If applying for Research Programmes funding under the Protect and Add Value impact category, justify the credibility of your implementation pathway(s), and how it will deliver public benefit to New Zealand, by explaining the points outlined below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the key initiatives (and their timing) that will deliver the proposed impacts • how the pathway specification is appropriate to the state of the sector or the stage of research • how the pathway provides a line of sight to impact • how your research is intended to be taken up by end- or next-users to deliver the benefits described in the Benefit to New Zealand section • the strength of your current relationships with relevant end-users and partners, and/or how you are engaging with them, or plan to engage with them, to develop and improve relationships relevant to delivery of benefits • how you are including sufficient input from Māori at the appropriate stages(s) of the project which is adequately resourced to ensure effective implementation • partnering arrangements where applicable, and if significant private benefit may accrue to an individual end-user, how these arrangements will ensure broad benefit to New Zealand. 	<p><i>Word Limit: 1120 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

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	<p>Note: There should be sufficient end- or next-user information to confirm that the analysis takes account of the characteristics of the area in which it will be used and is not simply a generic description. Information provided should be derived from or built on credible and reliable sources, set out in a logical pattern, and supported by good quality analysis and explanation.</p> <p><i>You may include images, but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p> <p>If applying for Research Programmes funding under the Transform impact category, justify the credibility of your indicative implementation pathway(s), which may be uncertain in nature, and how it will deliver public benefit to New Zealand, by explaining the points outlined below in a way/order that is logical for your proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the key initiatives (and their timing) that will deliver the proposed impacts • how the pathway specification is appropriate to the state of the sector or the stage of research • identification of indicative end- or next-users, beneficiaries, and stakeholders • how your research is intended to be taken up by the identified end- or next-users to deliver the benefits described in the Benefit to New Zealand section • how you are including sufficient input from Māori at the appropriate stages(s) of the project which is adequately resourced to ensure effective implementation • if significant private benefit may accrue to an individual end-user, how you will ensure broad benefit to New Zealand. <p>Note: There should be sufficient end- or next-user information to confirm that the analysis takes account of the characteristics of the area in which it will be used and is not simply a generic description. Information provided should be derived from or built on credible and reliable sources, set out in a logical pattern, and supported by good quality analysis and explanation.</p> <p><i>You may include images, but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	
<p>*Implementation Pathway(s) Risk</p>	<p>If you are applying for Smart Ideas funding, or Research Programmes funding under the Protect and Add Value impact category, describe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how you are sure you have freedom to operate • how you plan to mitigate risk and remove potential barriers in your implementation pathway to deliver impact for public benefit to New Zealand. <p>If you are applying for Research Programmes funding under the Transform impact category, describe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how you are sure you have freedom to operate • the enablers and barriers in the potential implementation pathway(s). <p>Your discussion should reflect the state of the sector and the stage of the research. This could include, but is not limited to, technology readiness, stakeholder/user engagement, maturity of the sector, market risks, or licence to operate.</p> <p><i>You may include references, but not images, hyperlinks, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

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<p>*Team Impact</p>	<p>Research Programmes only, under both the Protect and Add Value and Transform impact categories.</p> <p>Describe the mix of complementary skills and experience, within the team, relevant to achieving impact in the proposed impact areas. In your description:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • draw on team members’ past experience of applying research findings commercially or non-commercially leading to economic, environmental or social impact • build on the information provided in individual team members’ CVs • include details of the creation of ‘spin-off’ companies, selling or licensing intellectual property, applications of knowledge in policy, social or environmental domains, development and commercialisation of software and technical products etc. <p><i>You may include images, but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 560 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Post-Contract Outcomes for New Zealand</p>	<p>Explain how you plan to deliver impact from your proposed research after the contract period. Your statements should be categorised under the headings 2, 5, and 10-year horizons.</p> <p><i>Do not include references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 280 Words</i></p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>WORK PROGRAMME</p>		
<p>*Impact Statements</p>	<p>Detail your Impact Statements and for each statement, the applicable Research Aims and Critical Steps. In most cases, a single Impact Statement is sufficient. Statements aims and steps must be measurable and achievable within the term of the contract and on or before the end date of the higher-level item.</p> <p>Detail each Impact Statement. Each statement must have at least one Research Aim and one Critical Step, as well as start and end dates.</p> <p>An Impact Statement describes the impacts or outcomes the proposal aims to achieve by the end date specified. It does not include impacts or outcomes delivered beyond the end of the contract term. Impact Statements go one step beyond research outputs such as research papers or client reports, and typically include transfer of the research to, or uptake by, users.</p> <p>A Research Aim is a scientific question or hypothesis that will be answered or a specific objective that will be delivered by the proposed research.</p> <p>A Critical Step is a research or related activity that, if not delivered, will significantly affect the achievement of a Research Aim or the impact of the proposed research. Regulatory and/or ethical approvals, for example, should be listed as Critical Steps. Critical Steps should be measurable, defined events, not incremental progress.</p> <p>The MBIE Work Programme Agreement will hold contract holders to account for the delivery of Impact Statements.</p>	<p><i>Word Limit: 140 words for each Impact Statement, Research Aim and Critical Step</i></p>

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RESEARCH PLAN, METHOD, AND SPECIALIST RESOURCES

<p>*Research Plan</p>	<p>Explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • your chosen approach • how the key components of your Research Aim(s), collectively, will enable you to achieve your Impact Statement(s) • the approximate allocation of effort across your Research Aim(s). <p>If applicable, expand/update the plan detailed in your Concept. Your Research Plan should be understandable to Assessors, regardless of their specific field of expertise.</p> <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p>Word Limit: 560 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Methods</p>	<p>Provide a clear and precise description of how you propose to perform your research, your rationale for your choice of methods and other science or research characteristics of the project. This can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • your choice of study material(s), sites and/or subject(s); this may also include reasons for not choosing various options • how you plan to collect and manage data such as variables, measurement methods, sampling methods and sample size • how you have considered potential errors (random or systematic) and the methods and strategies you will use to control them • any experimental design approach where this has a significant impact or is out of the ordinary, e.g., the type of participants or types of controls • any analytical advantages enabled by your choice of instrumentation/equipment for data analysis, including your use of statistical methods. <p>Your methods should be understandable to Assessors, regardless of their specific field of expertise.</p> <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	<p>Word Limit: 1680 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Specialist Resources</p>	<p>For Smart Ideas Full Proposals this section will pre-populate from Smart Ideas Concepts. If applicable, please expand/update the plan and provide more detail.</p> <p>For Research Programmes proposals, explain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the resources you will need to access or purchase to support the proposed research • measures you have taken or will take to secure those resources • any risks to obtaining the resources, and how those risks will be managed • evidence of the commitment you have around resources. 	<p>Word Limit: 560 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>

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	<p>Resource examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • access to land or ocean resources • high performance “super” computing facilities • pilot plant facilities • controlled climate laboratories • research ships • physical containment (PC) facilities at PC3 or PC4 levels (not PC1 or PC2) • logistic support for Antarctic research • data not in the public domain that is critical for your research • essential analytical services not available within the team • facilities located offshore. <p>Do not list laboratory facilities, plant or equipment that are readily available and would be considered “standard” in an organisation with internal research capability.</p> <p><i>You may include images but not hyperlinks, video, or audio files. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.</i></p>	
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FUNDING REQUESTED AND BUDGET

<p>*Funding Requested</p> <p>Note: this section populates the funding details in the proposal information section.</p>	<p>Specify the funding requested for each Impact Statement in each year of the work programme. MBIE uses a flat funding model so all years will have the same figures.</p>																
<p>*Project Budget</p>	<p>Tell us the average annual budget for the MBIE funding you have requested. Use the table that follows as a guide. The total budget must be within \$1,000 of the per annum amount of funding you are requesting.</p> <p>Note that the appropriation for the Endeavour Fund is a non-departmental output expense, so it cannot be used to fund CAPEX. However, it can be used to meet the full overhead cost and depreciation as the Endeavour Fund funds full-cost research.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Personnel</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>General operating expenses</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Building depreciation/rental</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Equipment depreciation/rental</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Overheads</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Subcontracting</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other expenditure</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Average annual budget</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$0</td> </tr> </table>	Personnel	\$0	General operating expenses	\$0	Building depreciation/rental	\$0	Equipment depreciation/rental	\$0	Overheads	\$0	Subcontracting	\$0	Other expenditure	\$0	Average annual budget	\$0
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	<p>Additional Budget information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • personnel costs include salary and salary-related costs (ACC, superannuation, holiday pay) • general operating expenses cover the direct operational costs of doing research, including consumables, student stipends and tuition fees, travel and engagement expenses. MBIE funds postgraduate stipends and summer research studentships • building and equipment depreciation/rental covers project-specific usage of research facilities and equipment not covered under overheads • overheads cover indirect costs not directly associated with research such as property costs, utility charges such as lighting, heating and water, telephone line charges, library, office stationery and accessories, laboratory “bench fees”, administrative overheads and general depreciation of facilities • if applicable, itemise all expenditure as “other” and identify any other extraordinary expenses. Examples include koha, contingency funding, costs of gaining required legal or ethical approvals, etc. <p>Māori capability development and engagement/consultation should reflect genuine, fit-for-purpose approaches. Costs should be accounted for appropriately in the budget.</p>
PROJECT TEAM	
<p>*Project Team</p>	<p>Using the sample Team Table that follows, update/expand on the team information detailed at Registration (and if applicable in your Concept).</p> <p>List the key personnel that will be involved in each year of funding and provide supporting CVs. Please note that this year we have included a narrative-style CV template in addition to the standard academic CV template. You are free to use either of these templates. For both templates, include only those sections relevant to your skills and experience, but please adhere to the formatting instructions and do not exceed 5 pages. We recommend that you upload your CV as a PDF document.</p> <p>Both CV templates can be downloaded from the IMS portal in the proposal’s Project Team section, or from MBIE’s website. While applicants are free to choose the template which best suits their needs, please note that only ONE CV per person can be uploaded with the proposal. Please also note that Assessors have been advised that both CV formats carry equal weight and should be assessed equally.</p> <p>For more information on the narrative-style CV format, please visit MBIE’s website.</p> <p>Key personnel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • *Science Leaders: the researcher(s) with responsibility for leading science/research and directing the programme. • *Leaders: the researcher responsible for the science/research for an individual Impact Statement, e.g., the Impact Statement Leader. At least one Leader must be named. • *Key Researchers: team members involved in the research, whose expertise is critical to the success of the project. They may be from a contracted organisation, a subcontracted agency, or a stakeholder who is providing cash or in-kind co-funding of the research. At least one Key Researcher must be named. • Key Individuals: team members who are not researchers but whose contribution is critical to the success of the project, e.g., implementation. • *Contract Manager: the contact person for all proposal or contractual matters. • Post-Doc/early-career researchers: the team members with seven or fewer years’ active research experience after receiving a doctoral degree. • Students: students involved in the research in order to contribute to their educational qualification. • Others: remaining research team members not listed elsewhere.

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Sample Team year 1 (you can change team members' roles in subsequent years).

Sample Team Table

Role	CV	Minimum FTE	Email Address	Invited to register for and/or enter ORCID iDs	Invited to register and enter Diversity
*#Science Leader	Mandatory	0.15	Mandatory	Yes	Yes
*#Leader	Mandatory	0.15	Mandatory	Yes	Yes
*#Key Researcher	Mandatory	0.15	Mandatory	Yes	Yes
Key Individual	Mandatory	Optional	Mandatory	Yes	Yes
*Contract Manager	Not required	Optional	Mandatory	Not required	Not required
Post Doc	Not required	Optional	Not required	Not required	Not required
Student	Not required	Optional	Not required	Not required	Not required
Other	Not required	Optional	Not required	Not required	Not required

Please check all years are correct (tabs) or edit as required.

- For roles that have minimum FTEs, these minima must be maintained in each year. Project team members must have a total FTE of greater than 0 over the length of the project.
- MBIE will not fund individuals employed by local or central government but may fund costs associated with their involvement other than salary.

As part of MBIE’s diversity policy, Science Leaders, Leaders, Key Researchers and Key Individuals will be invited to register separately in the IMS Portal where the following information will be captured:

- gender
- ethnicity
- career stage
- date of birth.

For more information on the collection of diversity information, see MBIE’s [IMS portal webpage](#).

KEY RELATIONSHIPS

End-users

For each Impact Statement, list the end-users you will have a relationship with and that are involved in your research. For contracting purposes, if an end-user is co-funding your research (in cash or in-kind) provide these details.

End-users are stakeholders that are likely to use the research and who will benefit directly from it.

End-users may:

- include organisations, businesses, and sector or community groups including iwi/Māori
- be involved in defining the research questions and shaping the work not just involved in the uptake of its findings.

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<p>International Collaborations / Partnerships</p>	<p>List the relevant collaborations and partnerships you have, or plan to develop, with international researchers or organisations and explain for each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the contribution they are making or will make to your proposed research, including any co-funding support • what your proposal will contribute to them • any benefits to New Zealand science in general from the relationship(s). <p>International collaborations can strengthen the quality and impact of research by, e.g., providing expertise or access to infrastructure that is not readily available in New Zealand, or enabling New Zealand researchers to tap into, build on and benefit from global research advances. Linking research with relevant international initiatives also builds an international reputation for New Zealand research and development capability.</p> <p>International research may also be for the purpose of conducting research not able to be done in New Zealand, e.g., for biosecurity reasons.</p>
<p>Co-funding</p>	<p>Co-funding is not mandatory.</p> <p>If co-funding applies to your research, tell us how that will apply to each Impact Statement and for each year of funding.</p> <p>Do not include any co-funding from Government research funding sources, or from the applicant organisation, that has been allocated for another project or purpose.</p> <p>During or before contracting a proposal, MBIE may request evidence of the indicated level of co-funding.</p> <p>There are two types of co-funding: cash and in-kind.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cash co-funding is cash received from another organisation that contributes directly to an Impact Statement within your proposal. It does not include funding you may receive after the end date of the research. It must be essential to the achievement of the Impact Statement and be genuine cash funding for the proposed research. It is not funding from which an income is derived or that can be returned to the funder. • In-kind co-funding is a non-cash contribution that will assist you to achieve the proposal’s Impact Statement(s). It may include, for example, the use of equipment, staff time, or access to data. <p>The cash value of in-kind co-funding should be estimated using either the usual cost of the good or service as advised by the provider or, if the item is not generally traded, your estimate of the out-of-pocket costs sustained by the provider in making the good or service available to you.</p>
<p>Subcontracting</p>	<p>For each Impact Statement and for each year of funding, tell us about any subcontractors that will be involved in delivering the project.</p> <p>Subcontract funding is the amount you plan to spend on work done by other organisations in order to complete your proposed research.</p>

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

<p>*Public Statement</p>	<p>The Public Statement may be published on MBIE’s website if your proposal is funded.</p> <p>The statement is not used for the purpose of assessment.</p> <p>It is important to capture the essence of your research in a way that can be understood by a wider audience and can be used for media purposes. Include if required, publishable contact details that can be used by members of the public and/or the media.</p> <p><i>Do not include confidential information, references, hyperlinks, images, video, or audio files.</i></p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 280 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Intellectual Property Management</p>	<p>Tell us:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how you will identify, protect, and if appropriate share, any intellectual property generated by the research • if the success of your research is dependent on access to existing intellectual property, the agreements you have in place to use it • if you are collaborating with other organisations, any intellectual property management plans in place. <p><i>You may include references but not images, hyperlinks, video, or audio files.</i></p> <p>If the Science Board decides to fund your proposal, you will be required to comply with the Science Investment Contract - Principles 1-3 in Appendix 2, which can be accessed from the Endeavour Fund webpage.</p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 560 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>*Special Ethical and Regulatory Requirements</p>	<p>If applying for Smart Ideas funding, validate/update the ethical and regulatory requirements detailed in your Concept.</p> <p>If applying for Research Programmes funding, tell us the ethical and regulatory requirements and approvals you need to conduct the proposed research and indicate whether these have been obtained. Include any significant safety issues.</p> <p>If approvals have not yet been obtained, tell us how and when you expect to do so.</p> <p>If no ethical or regulatory requirements apply to your proposed research, simply state “Not Applicable”.</p> <p>You are responsible for meeting all ethical and regulatory requirements relating to your proposed research. Any costs associated with fulfilling these requirements should be included in your budget (under Other Expenditure). If delays are incurred through failure to gain the necessary approvals, funding may be withheld, withdrawn or renegotiated.</p>	<p><i>Word Limit:</i> 280 Words</p> <p><i>This limit includes words in a table.</i></p>
<p>Glossary</p>	<p>If appropriate, provide a glossary that explains any acronyms, names, terms or use of te reo Māori that may be unfamiliar.</p> <p>Your glossary should not exceed two sides of an A4 page.</p> <p>A glossary template can be downloaded from the IMS portal in the proposal’s Glossary section.</p> <p><i>Do not include images, video, or audio files.</i></p>	

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<p>References / Citations</p>	<p>Upload a list of key references/citations that you have used in your proposal. These are uploaded in the IMS portal as separate documents.</p> <p>All text documents (e.g., Excel, Word and PDF) can be uploaded. If uploading a PDF, ensure that it is unsecured. If secured, we will not be able to access or print your proposal. Image files cannot be uploaded.</p>
<p>Conflicts of Interest</p>	<p>Declare any potential conflicts of interest and say why. See page 9 for more details, and the members of the College of Assessors.</p>
<p>CLASSIFICATIONS</p>	
<p>*Profiling Data</p>	<p>Identify any technologies of special interest relevant to your research project.</p> <p>Further information on MBIE’s identification and use of collected information relevant to technologies of special interest is provided on MBIE’s webpages.</p>
<p>*ANZSRC Codes</p>	<p>Field of Research and Socio-Economic Objective (SEO) ANZSRC codes that you selected at Registration will be auto populated into your Full Proposal and can't be changed.</p> <p>You are required to provide information relating to the ANZSRC Type of Research Activity including the relative proportion of total expenditure attributed to each type (adding up to 100%).</p>

SUBMITTING YOUR REGISTRATION AND PROPOSAL IN IMS

The Endeavour Fund application process comprises up to three phases and is performed in MBIE's Investment Management System (IMS) – a secure online portal.

If applying for:	In the IMS Portal you need to:	Submission period:	
		From	To
Smart Ideas	1. Register your intent to apply	30 September 2022	Until 12 noon, 2 November 2022
	2. Submit a Concept	30 September 2022	Until 12 noon, 23 November 2022
	3. If invited, submit a Full Proposal	Late March - early April 2023*	Until 12 noon, 17 May 2023
Research Programmes	1. Register your intent to apply	30 September 2022	Until 12 noon, 7 December 2022
	2. Submit a Full Proposal	30 September 2022	Until 12 noon, 1 March 2023

*The submission period will be advised in the Science Board notification letters.

These dates are subject to change. Any change will be notified via an [Alert e-newsletter](#).

A proposal is considered submitted if it has a status of **Submitted to IMS** in IMS. If your proposal is being submitted by a university or a Crown Research Institute, see your research office for additional submission advice.

For all IMS queries, e-mail imssupport@mbie.govt.nz or call 0800 693 778 (Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm).

ACCESSING IMS

► Log in to IMS

Five or more failed log in attempts will automatically lock you out of the system. If this occurs, contact MBIE and ask for your account to be unlocked.

For first time Users:

If you have not used IMS before, complete and email an [IMS access request form](#) to imssupport@mbie.govt.nz. On acceptance, you will receive a username and temporary password.

1. Click the **Portal URL** link in your welcome email.
2. Type your username and temporary password (as detailed in your registration email). The IMS **Edit password** tab displays.
3. Type your new password.

4. Retype your new password in the **Confirm new password** field.
5. Click the **Save Changes** button. A **Portal Access Agreement** displays.
6. Read the access agreement and then click the **Accept** button. The **IMS Home** tab displays.

For existing Users:

For returning applicants, log in using your existing username and password. If you've forgotten this, use the **I've forgotten my password** option.

1. Click the MBIE **IMS Portal link** (ims.msi.govt.nz/).
2. Type your username and password.
3. Click the **Login Securely** button. The **IMS Home** tab displays.

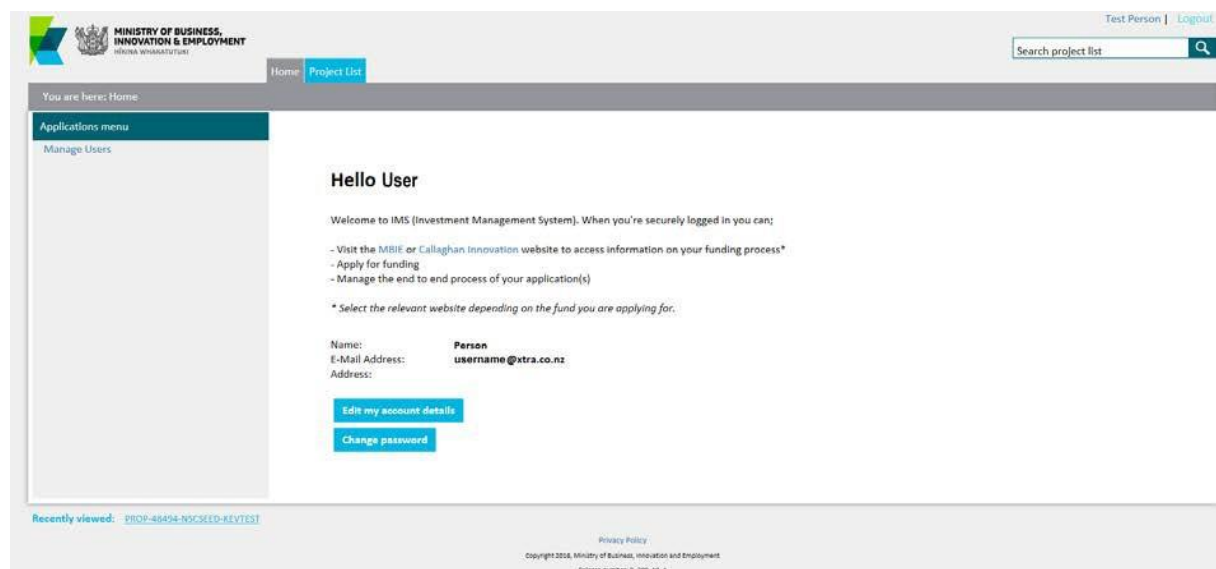
► **Log out of IMS**, click the **Logout** hyperlink (*located top right of every tab*).

USER ACCESS ROLES

What you can do and see in IMS is dependent on your access. There are two User roles.

Role	Function
User	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sees and/or works on funding applications to which your Super User has granted you access. • Submits completed registrations/applications/proposals to your Super User for quality assurance (QA).
Super User	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performs all the functions of a regular User. • Manages IMS access; adds, deletes or modifies the Users in their organisation and which views and applications they can see. • Performs QA and submits completed applications to MBIE.

NAVIGATING IMS

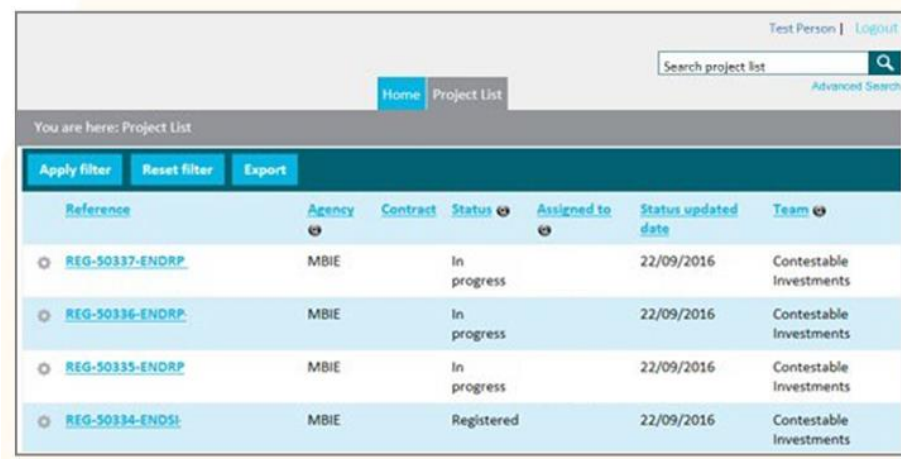


From the IMS **Home** tab you can:

- Manage access for your organisation’s personnel.
- Maintain your personal details, including your IMS password.
- Access your Project List (containing the funding applications for your organisation).

CUSTOMISING YOUR VIEW

The IMS **Project List** tab lists the applications submitted by your organisation. Here you open and view the details of all applications and contracts to which you have access. You can filter and sort this list to view only those of interest and customise the columns to show only the information required.



Reference	Agency	Contract	Status	Assigned to	Status updated date	Team
REG-50337-ENDRP	MBIE		In progress		22/09/2016	Contestable Investments
REG-50336-ENDRP	MBIE		In progress		22/09/2016	Contestable Investments
REG-50335-ENDRP	MBIE		In progress		22/09/2016	Contestable Investments
REG-50334-ENDSI	MBIE		Registered		22/09/2016	Contestable Investments

You can also determine the number of applications that display on each screen using the **Display** field (*located bottom left*). Note that you only see information which you have been granted access to. Super Users can see full details. Users can only see proposals that the Super User has granted them access to.

REGISTERING AND SUBMITTING A FUNDING APPLICATION

Complete all the required fields. Mandatory fields are marked with an asterisk (*).

Ensure all sections are completed and meet the requirements as per this Call for Proposals.

► To create/submit a registration, Concept, or Full Proposal application in IMS:

1. On the IMS **Home** tab, click the **Project List** tab.
2. Click the **New Application** button (located to the right of the screen).



3. Select the appropriate fund from the Investment Process drop down menu, either:
 - 2023 Endeavour Fund – Research Programmes, or
 - 2023 Endeavour Fund – Smart Ideas.
4. Select the appropriate phase; Registration, Concept, or Proposal.
5. If you are:
 - registering, enter a title for your application
 - submitting a Concept or a Full Proposal, click the Reference button for the relevant Registration.

Do not use acronyms or abbreviations. Your short title will be used for everyday use and reference.

You are here: Project List

To create a new application, please select an organisation or applicant code, a process and a phase (if applicable), and provide your application with a title.

Applicant and organisation code:

Investment Process: 2023 Endeavour Fund - Research Programmes

Phase: Proposal

Title:

You have 1 Registration for ENDRP
Create Proposal from accepted Concept:

Reference - Short Title - Phase - Status
REG-81453-ENDRP - Testing - Registration - Registered

[Create](#) [Cancel](#)

This action automatically:

- links the Concept or Full Proposal to a submitted Registration, and
- populates key fields with information entered during the Registration phase. You can then edit this information as required.

It is important to note that any changes you make will not alter information already entered at the Registration phase.

6. Click the **Create** button. The first section you need to complete displays.

You are here: Project List (MIR) REG-XXXX-ENDR-XXXX

Project status: In progress

Proposal information

Investment area: 2019 Endeavour Fund - Research Programmes

Contracting organisation:

NZBN:

Company/Trust registration number:

Year 1 funding requested:	\$0.00 GST excl. amount	\$0.00 GST amount	\$0.00 Total amount
Total funding requested:	\$0.00 GST excl. amount	\$0.00 GST amount	\$0.00 Total amount

Title:

Investment mechanism: Research Programmes

Number of years' funding requested: 3

Fund objective: Select the objective that most aligns to your proposal. Which of the three fund objectives best describes the **primary** focus of your proposed research?
 Economic
 Environmental
 Social

Select the Investment Signal/s that most closely align to your proposal.

- The IMS portal will guide you through the completion of the required fields. We recommend that you familiarise yourself with the portal well before the deadline. When complete, click the **Save & next section** button to move to the next section.

A warning will display if you attempt to leave the current section without saving your information. Choose to either:

- click the **Leave this Page button** to exit the section without saving (all changes made during that session will be lost), or
- return and continue to add information or click the **Save & next section** button.

You can copy and paste your prepared information directly into the IMS fields.





Where directed upload documents containing your references/citations. All forms of text documents (e.g., Excel, Word and PDF) can be uploaded. If a PDF, ensure that it is unsecured. If secured, we will not be able to access or print your proposal. Image files cannot be uploaded.

You can save, log out, and return to IMS to edit your application before submitting it.

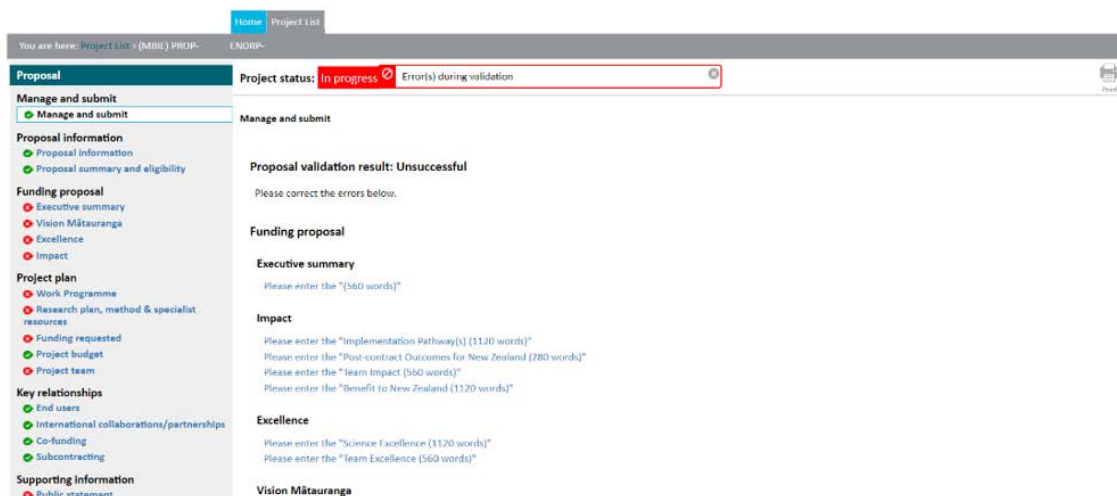
Mandatory fields are marked with an asterisk *.



Fields with a red asterisk (*) must be completed before you can save and close the current section.


Symbols alongside each section in the navigation panel allow you to easily check the completeness of your submission.

THE SYMBOL...	INDICATES THE SECTION...
	has not started.
	is in progress.
	contains invalid or incomplete fields.
	is complete and valid.

- When all sections are complete, scroll to the top of navigation panel and click the **Manage and register** link for Registrations or the **Manage and submit** link for Concepts/Proposals as applicable.
- Click the **Check my application before submission** button to run a validation check. This will verify the completeness of your application and will detect any missing content.



- If the validation is successful, every section in the navigation panel is marked with the symbol .
- If errors and/or incomplete fields are detected:
 - These will display as light blue coloured error message hyperlinks in the **Proposal validation result** section.
 - A  symbol will display next to the sections in navigation panel that are incomplete or contain errors.

Click the first error message to open the section, make the required corrections/additions and then click the **Save** button. If applicable, repeat for other sections marked with .

10. Once you have corrected all of the errors and/or added all missing information, click the **Register and submit** (Registrations) or **Manage and submit** (Concepts/Proposals) button then the **Check my application before submission** button again.



- On achieving a successful validation click the **Submit to QA** button.
- If you are a Super User completing a Registration on behalf of a User, click the **Register interest** button
- If you are Super User submitting a Concept or Full Proposal on behalf of a User, click the **Submit to QA** button (Users) or the **Submit to IMS** button (Super Users).

11. Read and accept the declaration.

If you clicked **Register interest**, your Registration has been successfully submitted and is now listed on the Project List tab with the status of **Registered**.

If you clicked **Submit to IMS**, your application has been successfully submitted and is now listed on the Project List tab with a status of **Submitted to IMS**.

If you clicked **Submit to QA**, you will need to ensure that your Super User performs their QA and submits your application on your behalf before the deadline.

ADMINISTERING FUNDING APPLICATIONS

CHECKING THE PROGRESS OF YOUR APPLICATION

There are three key features in IMS that enable you to quickly see where you are in the application process.

1. The status of your current application.
2. The completeness of your application.
3. The number of days until the submission is due.

CHECKING THE STATUS OF YOUR APPLICATION

The status of your current application displays in the **Project** List and at the top of key IMS tabs.

The status...	Indicates your application...
In progress	Has been created and is under completion.
Submitted for QA	Has been completed and submitted to a Super User for QA.
Submitted to IMS	Has been submitted to MBIE.
Registered	Has been registered.
Not progressing	Has been withdrawn.
Not submitted	Has not been submitted. If you miss the cut-off-date for submitting your application, we can make the application 'Not submitted'. You will be able to view the application and/or delete it. You will not be able to edit it or submit the application.
Ineligible	Does not meet the criteria of the investment process applied for. The application cannot be edited or resubmitted.
Declined	Has been declined for funding. The application cannot be edited or resubmitted.
Approved	Has been approved. You can proceed to the next stage in the contracting process. You will not be able to edit the application.

CHECKING WHEN YOUR APPLICATION IS DUE

The status bar at the top of the screen displays when the application must be submitted.

Project status: **In progress** The registration has not been submitted (You have 15 day(s) to submit the Project)

WITHDRAWING A FUNDING APPLICATION

You can withdraw your application at any time **before** it has been submitted.

A withdrawn application cannot be edited or resubmitted. It remains in your organisation's project list with a status of **Not progressing** and can be viewed and printed.

If you wish to withdraw a submitted application, contact the Investment Operations team at imssupport@mbie.govt.nz.

► To withdraw an un-submitted application

1. Locate and open the application.
2. Click the **more actions** link.
3. Click the **Make not progressing** button

IMS TIPS


A few common actions and commands you may find useful when using IMS.

SEARCHING AND FILTERING

To find an application:

- Use Search field (located top right).
- Scroll through the list using the controls << < > >> at the bottom left of the screen.
- Use the Advanced Search link (located directly under the Search field) to enter a more detailed search criterion.

To apply a filter:

1. Click the  icon next to column header.
2. Select one or more categories of interest.
3. Click the Apply Filter button.

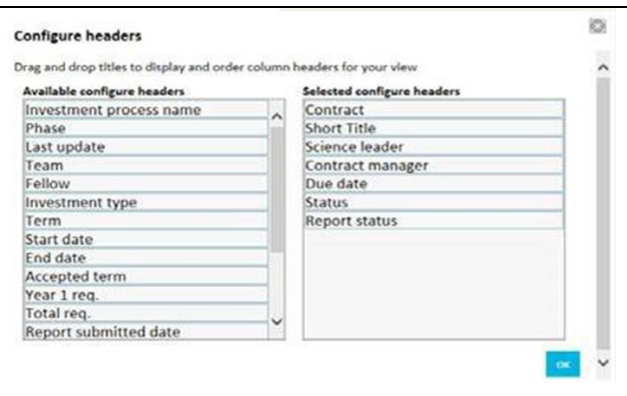
To reset all filters, click the **Reset Filter** button on the **Project List** tab.

WORKING WITH COLUMNS

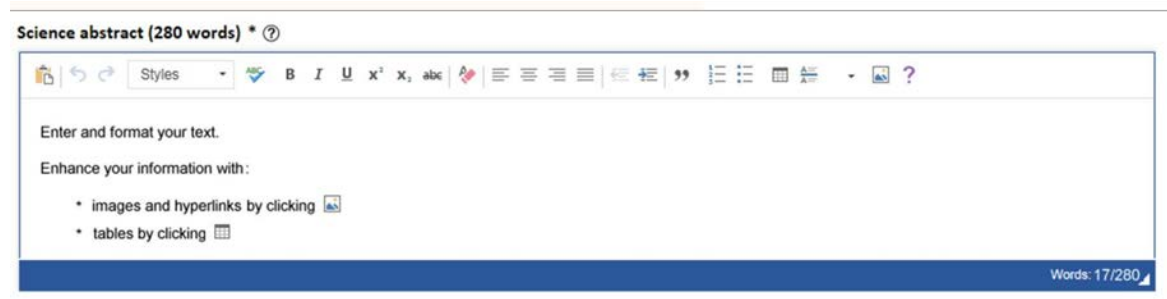
To sort a column, click the column header once to apply an ascending to sort and/or twice for descending.

To change the columns that display on the Project List tab:

1. Click the **Advanced Search** link (located top right of the Home screen).
2. Click the **Configure** headers icon.
3. Drag and drop the columns you want to view from the left-hand panel into the right. To remove a column, simply reverse the action.
4. Reorder as required by selecting them and dragging them up or down the list.
5. Click **OK** and then click the **Search** button



FORMATTING TEXT



Use the text panel toolbar to format your information and if applicable add images, hyperlinks and/or tables. Adhere to the word limits specified. These limits include words in a table and references/citations, they do not include images. To help you there is an automatic word count tracker at the bottom right-hand corner of every text panel.

- Use Plain Text when copying and pasting into IMS.
- Use subheadings to highlight your key messages.
- Avoid large blocks of text. White space enhances the visual impact and makes reading easier.
- Use images sparingly. Any words used in images must be explanatory only and not introduce new information.

OVERRIDING GST IN THE SUBCONTRACTING TABLE FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

For international organisations, no GST applies and needs to be removed by overriding the value in the far-right column to be the same as that in the left-hand column. The GST column then becomes zero.

Subcontracting amounts
for IS1

Year	Start date	End date	Months	Amount		
Year 1	01/10/2022	30/09/2023	12	<input type="text" value="10,000.00"/> <small>GST excd. amount</small>	<input type="text" value="0.00"/> <small>GST amount</small>	<input type="text" value="10,000.00"/> <small>Total amount</small>
Year 2	01/10/2023	30/09/2024	12	<input type="text" value="10,000.00"/> <small>GST excd. amount</small>	<input type="text" value="0.00"/> <small>GST amount</small>	<input type="text" value="10,000.00"/> <small>Total amount</small>
Year 3	01/10/2024	30/09/2025	12	<input type="text" value="10,000.00"/> <small>GST excd. amount</small>	<input type="text" value="0.00"/> <small>GST amount</small>	<input type="text" value="10,000.00"/> <small>Total amount</small>
Total				<input type="text" value="30,000.00"/> <small>GST excd. amount</small>	<input type="text" value="0.00"/> <small>GST amount</small>	<input type="text" value="30,000.00"/> <small>Total amount</small>


UPDATING YOUR DETAILS

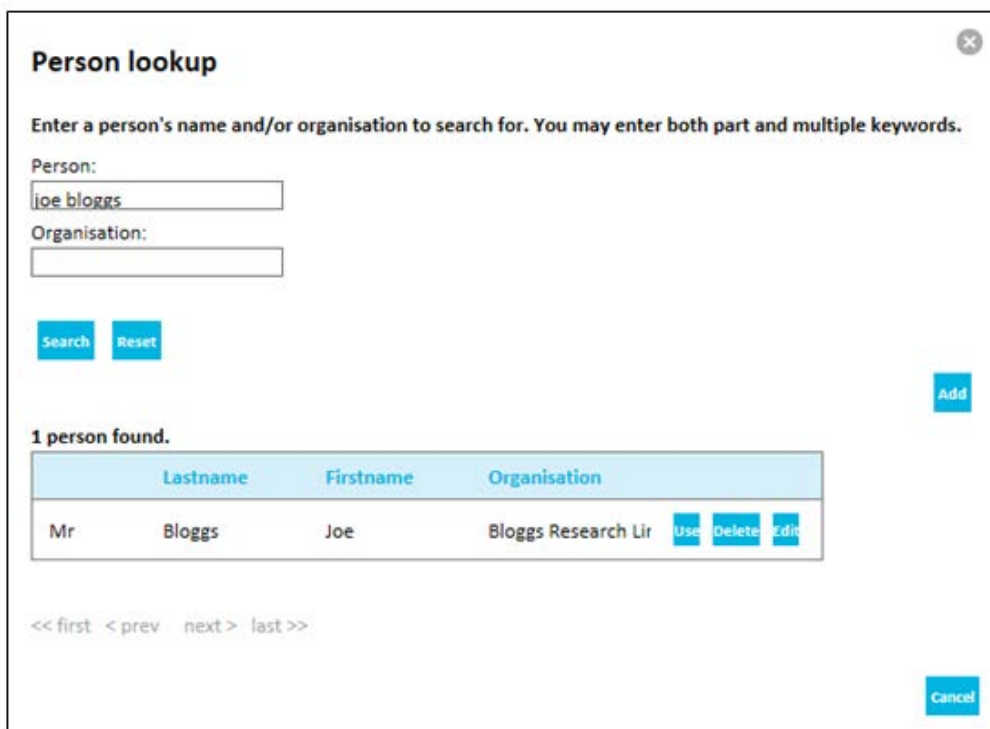
► To view and/or update your details

1. Click the Edit my account details button on the **Home** tab.
2. Update your details as required and click **Save**.

► To change your password, click the change password button on the **Home** tab

MAINTAINING YOUR ORGANISATION'S CONTACT DETAILS

On person fields, use the **Lookup** button  to locate and auto complete fields with the details of individuals in your organisation as well as add and maintain these details.



Person lookup

Enter a person's name and/or organisation to search for. You may enter both part and multiple keywords.

Person:

Organisation:

Search **Reset**

1 person found.

Lastname	Firstname	Organisation		
Mr	Bloggs	Joe	Bloggs Research Lir	Use Delete Edit

<< first < prev next > last >>

Add

Cancel

► To locate

1. Enter the person's name and click the **Search** button.
2. Locate them in the list and click the **Use** button.
3. If no results are shown, you will need to add the person.

► To add a person not shown

1. Click the **Add** button.
2. Enter the contact details and click the **Save & Use** button.

► To modify an existing record

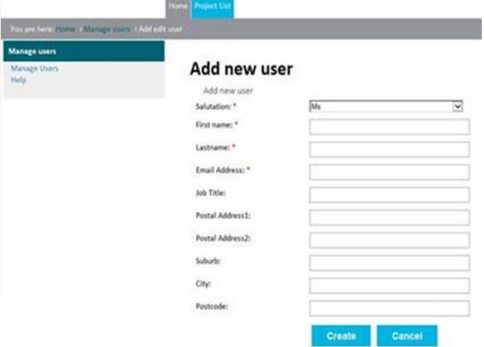
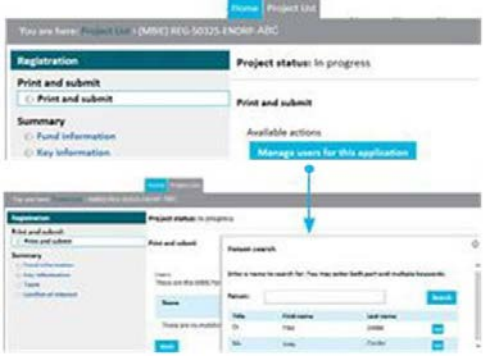
1. Select the person and click the **Edit** button.
2. Edit the details and click the **Save & Use** button.

► To delete, select the person and click the **Delete** button

MANAGING IMS PORTAL ACCESS

If you are a Super User, you can set up and maintain access to the portal for the Users in your organisation as necessary (see page 41 for User and Super User details). If you require a User to be deactivated, email imssupport@mbie.govt.nz.

► To grant access to the IMS portal

<p>New Users are automatically granted regular User permissions. If they require Super User permissions, email imssupport@mbie.govt.nz. Note that this request must be endorsed by a Super User.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On the Home screen > Home tab, click Manage Users. 2. Click the Add new button. 3. Enter the details for the User and click the Create button. <p>An automatic email is sent to the User with a temporary password and link enabling them to change this.</p>	
<p>Grant the User access to the necessary applications. For each application:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On the Home screen > Project List tab, open the application and click the Manage Users for this application button. 2. Click the Add button. 3. Search for and locate the new User you want to grant access. Select them and click the adjacent Use button. 	
<p>By default they will have Edit access. If required, click the adjacent Change to Edit button to restrict this to View only rights.</p>	

TERMS AND CONDITIONS RELATING TO THIS CALL FOR PROPOSALS

By submitting an application, you are agreeing to these terms and conditions. Neither this Call for Proposals, nor any contract resulting from the invitation process is intended to create a partnership agreement between MBIE and the Applicant.

1. General

1.1 The terms and conditions are non-negotiable and do not require a response. Each applicant that submits a proposal (hereafter referred to as “you”) will be deemed to have agreed to the Call for Proposals terms and conditions without reservation or variation.

2. Investigations and reliance on information

2.1 You must examine this Call for Proposals and any documents referenced by this Call for Proposals and carry out all necessary investigations before submitting a proposal. If you are in doubt as to the meaning of any part of this Call for Proposals, you must set out in your proposal the interpretation and any assumptions you used.

2.2 MBIE will not be liable (in contract or tort, including negligence, or otherwise) to anyone who relies on any information provided by or on behalf of MBIE in or in connection with this Call for Proposals.

3. Reliance by applicants

3.1 All information contained in this Call for Proposals or given to you by MBIE is for the purpose of allowing you to prepare your proposal. MBIE has endeavoured to ensure the integrity of such information. However, it has not been independently verified and may not be up to date.

4. Reliance by MBIE

4.1 MBIE may rely upon all statements you make in your proposal and in correspondence or negotiations with MBIE or its representatives. If a proposal is funded by MBIE, any such statements may be included in a Work Programme Agreement.

4.2 You must ensure all information you provide to MBIE is complete and accurate. MBIE is under no obligation to check any proposal for errors, omissions, or inaccuracies. You must notify MBIE promptly upon becoming aware of any errors, omissions, or inaccuracies in your proposal or in any additional information you provide.

5. Inducements

5.1 You must not directly or indirectly provide any form of inducement or reward to any assessment panel member, officer, employee, advisor, or other representative of MBIE in connection with this Call for Proposals.

5.2 Business-as-usual communications (relating to funding under existing arrangements between MBIE and your organisation) will be maintained with the usual contacts. However, during the Call for Proposal process, you must not use business-as-usual contacts to solicit or discuss details of this Call for Proposals or any application you have, or intend to, submit, with any person at MBIE or its agents, including the assessment panel members.

6. Ownership and intellectual property

6.1 This Call for Proposals and any other documents MBIE provides to you remain the property of MBIE. All copyright and other rights in this Call for Proposals and in any other documentation or information provided to you or any other person by or on behalf of MBIE in connection with this Call for Proposals will remain with, and belong at all times to, MBIE or its licensors.

6.2 MBIE may request at any time the immediate return of all documents supplied and any copies made of them. You must comply with any such request in a timely manner.

6.3 Any proposals or information you supply to MBIE will become the property of MBIE and may not be returned to you. Ownership of the Intellectual Property rights in a proposal does not pass to MBIE. However, in submitting a proposal, you grant MBIE a non-exclusive, non-transferable, perpetual licence to retain, use, disclose, and copy your proposal for any purpose related to this Call for Proposals process.

6.4 By submitting a proposal, you warrant that the provision to MBIE of the information contained in your proposal, and MBIE’s use of it for the evaluation of your proposal and for any resulting negotiation, will not breach any third-party intellectual property rights.

7. Confidentiality

7.1 You and MBIE will each take reasonable steps to protect Confidential Information and, subject to paragraph 7.3, and without limiting any confidentiality undertaking agreed between them, will not disclose Confidential Information to a third party without the other’s prior written consent.

7.2 You and MBIE may each disclose Confidential Information to any person who is directly involved in the Call for Proposals process on its behalf, such as officers, employees, consultants, contractors, professional advisors, evaluation panel members, partners, principals or directors, but only for the purpose of participating in the Call for Proposals.

7.3 You acknowledge that MBIE's obligations under paragraph 7.1 are subject to requirements imposed by the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the Privacy Act 2020, parliamentary and constitutional convention and any other obligations imposed by law. Where MBIE receives an OIA request that relates to your Confidential Information, MBIE will consult with you and may ask you to explain why the information is considered by you to be confidential or commercially sensitive.

8. The proposal process

- 8.1 Despite any other provision in this Call for Proposals, MBIE reserves the following rights:
- MBIE may amend, suspend, cancel and/or re-issue the Call for Proposals or any part of the Call for Proposals.
- MBIE may make any material change to the Call for Proposals (including any date) on the condition that you are given a reasonable time within which to respond to the change.
- In exceptional circumstances, MBIE may accept a late proposal where it considers that there is no material prejudice to other applicants.
- MBIE may waive irregularities or requirements in or during the Call for Proposals process where it considers it appropriate and reasonable to do so.
- Your proposal may not be approved for funding.
- All or any proposal(s) may be rejected.
- Your proposal may be accepted in whole, or in part.
- Any information you provide to MBIE with your proposal may be retained or destroyed.
- Clarification may be sought from any applicant(s) in relation to any matter in connection with the Call for Proposals process.
- Any applicant(s) may be contacted, which may be to the exclusion of any other applicant(s), at any time before or after the approval (if any) of proposal(s).
- MBIE may reject, or not consider further, any documentation related to your proposal that may be received from you, unless it is specifically requested.
- This Call for Proposals process may be run in such manner as MBIE may see fit.

9. No contractual obligations created

9.1 No contract or other legal obligations arise between you and MBIE out of or in relation to this Call for Proposals or Call for Proposals process, until a formal written contract (if any) is signed by both you and MBIE.

9.2 This Call for Proposals do not constitute an offer by MBIE to provide funding or enter into any agreement with you. The call for and receipt of proposals does not imply any obligation on MBIE to contract any funding requested in your proposal. MBIE will not be bound in any way until a contract is executed.

9.3 MBIE makes no representations nor gives any warranties in this Call for Proposals.

9.4 Any verbal communications made during the Call for Proposals process will not be binding on MBIE and are subject to the terms of this Call for Proposals.

10. No process contract

10.1 Despite any other provision in this Call for Proposals or any other document relating to this Call for Proposals, the issue of this Call for Proposals does not legally oblige or otherwise commit MBIE to proceed with or follow the process outlined in this Call for Proposals or to assess your proposal or enter into any negotiations or contractual arrangements with you.

10.2 For the avoidance of doubt, this Call for Proposals process does not give rise to a process contract.

11. Exclusion of liability

11.1 Neither MBIE nor any assessment panel members, officers, employees, advisers or other representatives will be liable (in contract or tort, including negligence, or otherwise) for any direct or indirect damage, expense, loss or cost (including legal costs) incurred or suffered by you, your affiliates or any other person in connection with the this Call for Proposals process, including without limitation:

- the assessment process
- the preparation of any proposal
- any investigations of or by any applicant
- concluding any contract
- the acceptance or rejection of any proposal
- the suspension or cancellation of the process contemplated in this Call for Proposals, or
- any information given or not given to any applicant(s).

11.2 By participating in this Call for Proposals process, you waive any rights you may have to make any claim against MBIE. To the extent that legal relations between MBIE and you cannot be excluded as a matter of law, the liability of MBIE is limited to \$1.

11.3 Nothing contained or implied in or arising out of this Call for Proposals or any other communications to any applicant shall be construed as legal, financial, or other advice of any kind.

12. Costs and expenses

12.1 MBIE is not responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by you in the preparation of an application.

13. Governing law and jurisdiction

13.1 This Call for Proposals will be construed according to, and governed by, New Zealand law and you agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of New Zealand courts in any dispute concerning this Call for Proposals or any proposal.

14. Disclosure of information

14.1 MBIE may make public the following information:

- The proposal title
- The name of the applicant (the Contracting organisation)
- The names of all Partner organisations
- The public statement (as provided in the proposal)
- The public statement (as provided in the Progress report and/or Final report)
- The total amount of funding provided
- The contract number (if funded)
- The contract start and end dates (if funded)
- The contract status (if funded)

14.2 MBIE asks that you don't release any media statement or other information relating to the process outlined in this Call for Proposals, or the submission or approval of any proposal to any public medium without providing sufficient advance Notice to MBIE.



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