

# Smartline



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## In Residence Scheme

Exploring your innovative ideas with  
our researchers



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# In Residence Scheme

Smartline's In Residence Scheme has been established to bring enterprise and researchers together with the aim of producing collaborations that will result in high quality research and business growth.

## Aims of the scheme:

- ▶ To fund enterprises and research staff to spend time together to build a strong understanding of each other's interests, challenges and opportunities.
- ▶ To identify potential novel research opportunities which are mutually beneficial for both parties.
- ▶ To explore the potential for joint research projects that will support innovation, the development of new knowledge, and economic opportunities.

## Outcomes can include:

- ▶ Identifying a research question.
- ▶ A joint application for research funding.
- ▶ A joint application for a Smartline Follow-On collaborative research scheme.
- ▶ An application for a Smartline grant.
- ▶ Joint publication of findings.
- ▶ Deciding on a type of research programme (e.g. Research Council Industry collaboration award / PhD / Masters Project).

## Benefits to enterprise:

- ▶ Access to specialist expertise and research facilities (e.g. labs, published research, knowledge databases, technical assistance).
- ▶ Access to Smartline's grants and collaborative research schemes.
- ▶ Improved understanding of how to access higher education research resources and the benefits it can bring.
- ▶ Access to other research funding which, without an academic partner, would be unavailable.
- ▶ Through a bespoke research project to develop and/or evidence issues, services and products to enhance an enterprise's viability, improve productivity and competitiveness.
- ▶ Publicity and awareness-raising of the enterprise.



# Funding

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- ▶ If successful, this scheme will fund your enterprise to engage with one or more of our researchers, at cost, to explore joint research opportunities and develop project proposals / grant applications. Funding is available for between 1-12 days over a 3 month period.
- ▶ The In Residence Scheme will refund the expenses incurred by your business upon presentation of the invoices.

# Eligibility



## IS MY ENTERPRISE ELIGIBLE?

- ▶ Location: your enterprise must be based in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.
- ▶ Size: the enterprise must have less than 250 employees (FTE) and must have an annual turnover of less than €50m euros (approx £43m), or total assets of less than €43M (approx. £36M). No other enterprise should own more than a quarter of the enterprise's issued shared capital.
- ▶ You haven't received more than €200,000 in state-aid during the last 3 rolling fiscal years.
- ▶ You must agree to the publishing of research findings.

## THIS SCHEME WELCOMES APPLICATIONS FROM ENTERPRISES WHICH ARE:

- ▶ Innovative.
- ▶ Looking to grow.
- ▶ Links with Smartline's research focus.

# How to apply

Enterprise partners can be a single enterprise or a cluster of enterprises

## Expression of Interest ([www.smartline.org.uk](http://www.smartline.org.uk))

The first stage of the application is to complete a short expression of interest form, and the information you supply will be treated in the strictest confidence. If considered appropriate to take forward you will be invited for a planning meeting with the relevant researcher and Knowledge Exchange team.

Following this the appropriate researcher will then work with you on a joint application.

If you are unsuccessful at this stage our Knowledge Exchange staff will provide alternative support and referrals.

***Our Knowledge Exchange staff are more than happy to discuss your ideas with you in person or over the phone before you submit an Expression of Interest.***



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