

ENTERPRISE CONNECT - CLEAN ENERGY INNOVATION CENTRE (CEIC)

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research (the Department of Innovation) invites proposals from organisations to host, and to assist in delivering, some elements of the Clean Energy Innovation Centre (CEIC).

The CEIC will form part of Enterprise Connect, a major industry innovation initiative of the Australian Government. The Department of Innovation welcomes proposals from individual organisations as well as consortia. Eligible proposals may be made from private or public sector organisations, including higher education institutions, who have a current Australian Business Number or Australian Company Number.

BACKGROUND

The host organisation(s) will partner with the Australian Government in delivering industry specific services to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the clean energy sector across Australia.

The CEIC will help SMEs in the clean energy sector make a larger contribution to the Australian economy. The CEIC will have a strong commercial focus delivering professional business advisory and related business development services to target firms throughout Australia.

The CEIC will also build collaboration between researchers and businesses and assist SMEs in the clean energy sector to access the latest clean technologies and market specific information.

The Department of Innovation will hold a briefing session in Canberra. It is expected that this briefing will take place in late June/early July. Register your interest for the briefing by email to the address below.

For further information and to access the proposal form please visit the Enterprise Connect website: www.enterpriseconnect.gov.au

All questions are to be put in writing and emailed to the address below. Responses to selected questions received by email and from the briefing session will be posted on the Enterprise Connect website.

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The closing time for proposals is COB Monday 21 July 2008