

Sovereign Industry Development Fund



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Accelerating
Queensland's
growth in
Defence,
Biomedical,
and Biofuels.



Queensland is open for business. The Queensland Government is committed to partnering with industry leaders to drive growth in priority sectors—Defence, Biomedical, and Biofuels—through strategic investments and innovative collaborations.



Biomedical

Queensland's translational science is poised for its next phase of growth with world-class talent, leading research institutions and innovative companies. We welcome global collaborations and partnerships to deliver broad impact.

Key industry highlights:

- > strong basic research foundation
- > highly educated workforce and world-class training facilities
- > dedicated health and knowledge precincts
- > clinical trial network supporting early-phase trials
- > collaborative approach across government, industry and academia
- > stable economic growth and competitive business costs
- > attractive lifestyle, shared time zones with high growth markets in the Asia-Pacific



To accelerate growth in these critical industries, the Queensland Government has established the \$180.6 million Sovereign Industry Development Fund (SIDF). The Fund supports strategic and catalytic investment partnerships that create or significantly expand sovereign manufacturing or service capabilities in Queensland.

Applications are open for feasible, investment-ready projects that:

- > accelerate development in Defence, Biomedical or Biofuels
- > establish new manufacturing or service capabilities in Queensland, including common-use infrastructure
- > expand existing capabilities to create broader industry impact
- > deliver measurable economic benefits to Queensland
- > are ready to commence within 12 months

Queensland's priority industries

Queensland has a thriving economy and focusing on our priority industries will leverage the state's unique strengths, drive investment, create secure jobs, and enhance sovereign capabilities.

Defence

Queensland is a national leader in defence capabilities across the domains of land, air, sea, cyber and space. With a strong multinational presence and a breadth of highly-skilled SME capability supported by strong research excellence, Queensland offers significant capabilities to support the priorities of the Australian Defence Force and allied forces.

Key industry highlights:

- > heavy and armoured vehicle manufacturing and sustainment
- > autonomous and uncrewed systems development
- > aircraft and helicopter maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO)
- > common-user test and evaluation facilities
- > hypersonics (R&D)
- > space – rocket motor, launch and satellite capabilities
- > maritime MRO



Biofuels

Queensland is exploring ways to expand the biofuels industry. Building on our agriculture, Queensland has the potential to be an Asia-Pacific hub for biorefining - driving economic growth, fuel security, and regional job creation.

Key industry highlights:

- > the availability of feedstock – collaboration with the agricultural sector to boost output to \$30 billion by 2030
- > Queensland's infrastructure and expertise make it a leader in biofuel innovation in the Asia-Pacific region

Eligibility

Applicant eligibility

To be eligible for assistance, your organisation must:

- ✓ be a legal entity and hold an active Australian Business Number or Australian Registered Body Number
- ✓ demonstrate technical capability to deliver the project
- ✓ provide evidence of a viable financing pathway
- ✓ maintain a history of regulatory compliance
- ✓ have no unsatisfied judgments or pending legal actions
- ✓ local governments, family partnerships, not for profit organisations and Government Owned Corporations are not eligible to apply

Consortiums

Eligible applicants may collaborate with project partners as a consortium, subject to specific requirements. Refer to Section 3.2 of the guidelines for details.

Project eligibility

An eligible project must:

- ✓ be located in Queensland and aligned with the priority industry sectors of Defence, Biomedical or Biofuels
- ✓ support the development of sovereign capabilities in these industries
- ✓ be strategic and catalytic, delivering regional or industry-wide impact
- ✓ have a viable plan for sustainable commercial operations
- ✓ demonstrate clear economic benefits and support local employment
- ✓ be investment-ready, with board approval, financing plans, and evidence of market demand

Applications open

Applications are now open until funds are exhausted. Don't miss this opportunity to partner with Queensland in building a stronger, more resilient future.

For more information about project eligibility, applying, guidelines and more contact us via:

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