

**A<sup>+</sup> Industrial Innovative R&D Program**

**Global Innovation Partnership Initiatives Program**



# Strengthening Taiwan, Connecting Globally



Introduce advanced technologies  
and international talents,  
collaborating with domestic  
industries to enhance national  
competitiveness.

**Establish Taiwan as a global hub for innovation,  
manufacturing, and value creation.**

# Application Scope

## ▣ Critical Technologies

Development of advanced technologies that exceed current domestic industry standards, along with essential or integrative technologies.

## ▣ Industrial Benefits

Significant impact on the domestic industry, promoting supply chain development and accelerating R&D integration into industry timelines.

## ▣ Implementation of Results

Enterprises establishing production facilities in Taiwan post-R&D will receive prioritized support from the Ministry of Economic Affairs.

Reapplicants must demonstrate a substantial increase in domestic value-added through expanded R&D efforts. Those merely reallocating existing resources will be ineligible.

# Application Criteria

The project can be applied for by a single foreign corporation, or co-applied by a foreign corporation as the lead entity in cooperation with a domestic corporation. .

## ▶ Foreign Corporations:

Foreign companies that possess industry research and development experience have recognized by Taiwan's laws and have registered a branch company in Taiwan; foreign companies or research institutes that possess industry research and development experience and have legally registered a company in Taiwan.

## ▶ Domestic Corporations:

Sole proprietorships, partnerships, limited partnerships, or corporations established in accordance with the laws of Taiwan.

- ✓ The company must not be on the bank's black list, and the net worth of the company (shareholder equity) must be a positive value.
- ✓ It shall not be a Mainland-funded enterprise included in the list of Mainland-funded enterprises investing in Taiwan, as compiled and published by the Investment Review Division of the Ministry of Economic Affairs.

# Project Duration and Budget Constraints

## ▣ Project Duration

- ✓ Up to 3 years.

## ▣ Project Funding

- ✓ The maximum subsidy shall not exceed 50% of the total project budget, with the remaining funds to be provided by the applicant.
- ✓ Eligible expenditures include personnel costs for research and development personnel, compensation for consultants, remuneration for foreign experts, costs for consumables, expenses for the use and maintenance of research and development equipment, collaborative research expenses, overseas training costs, and travel expenses.

# Application Process

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## Concept Communication

- ▶ Engage with the Department of Industrial Technology prior to elucidate the project benefits for both the applying companies and the domestic industry.

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## Project Application

- ▶ Submit the necessary application materials and revise them as instructed by the project office.

3

## Concept Review

- ▶ Attend the concept review meeting to deliver a presentation and engage with the review committee.

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## Project Review

- ▶ Prepare and submit the project proposal in accordance with feedback from the concept review; participate in the project review meeting.

5

## Project Approval

- ▶ Confirm the outcomes of the project review and finalize the subsidy amount and percentage.

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## Contract Execution

- ▶ Execute the contract in accordance with the subsidy approval letter and proceed with project implementation.

# Talent Measures

## ▣ Prohibition on Poaching

- ✓ Project funds shall not be used to recruit current employees from the same domestic industry.

## ▣ Introduction of International Talent for R&D Activities

- ✓ Overseas talents must represent over 50% of project manpower.
- ✓ Personnel costs for overseas talents must be itemized; failure to meet this ratio will disqualify those costs from subsidies.

## ▣ The project shall collaborate with domestic universities to cultivate new talents.

- ✓ Partner with the Ministry of Education's International Industrial Talents Education Special Program (INTENSE Program) to jointly train students, with an option for preferential hiring upon graduation.

# Key Evaluation Criteria

## ▣ Concept Review

- Company's R&D track record and capabilities
- Feasibility of R&D team composition and division of labor
- Foresight and innovation of R&D content
- Feasibility of R&D talent development plan
- Feasibility of collaboration with domestic academia, industry, and research institutions
- Mutual benefit and complementarity with Taiwan's industry
- Feasibility of implementing project outcomes in Taiwan's industry




## ▣ Project Review

- Reasonableness of R&D team composition and division of labor
- Mastery of key technologies, necessity and rationality of collaborative research content and partners
- Reasonableness of project timeline, implementation methods, R&D items, resource input, and expected benefits
- Reasonableness of R&D talent development plan
- Reasonableness of implementing project results in Taiwan's industry







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