Industrial Transformation Research Program

The Australian Government’s new Industrial Transformation Research Program encourages and supports university-based researchers and industries to work together to find solutions to a range of issues facing Australian industries.

The $236 million Program, to be delivered by the Australian Research Council (ARC), will help universities and industry establish research hubs and research training centres. These hubs and centres will be a solid base in which researchers and industry workers can come together and share their research skills and practical expertise to develop new products, processes and services that will transform Australian industries.

The first funding round will focus on Australia’s food industries, which are currently facing a wealth of opportunities and challenges—for example, feeding a growing population, ensuring food security, adapting to our changing climate and many others.

Applying

Applications for project funding for researchers and their industry partners under the Program must be received from an Australian university or other eligible organisations (see the program funding rules on the ARC website, www.arc.gov.au).

Applications for the first round of the Program close 18 December 2012, with successful hubs and centres to be announced in 2013.

Information on the hubs and centres components of the Program, and the priority area of food, is available in this brochure and on the ARC website.

For more information visit the ARC website, www.arc.gov.au, email ITRH@arc.gov.au (Industrial Transformation Research Hubs) or ITTC@arc.gov.au (Industrial Transformation Training Centres), or phone +61 2 6287 6600.
Over a five-year period the ARC will award funding for up to 50 Traineeships with Industry. Applicants must be able to provide evidence of how their research will address current and future industry needs. 

Under the Traineeship program, the Government will provide close partnerships between researchers and industry partners. Traineeships are available in agriculture, all aspects of food science, crop science, and all aspects of natural systems and provide funding for between one to five years. traineeships are available in agriculture, all aspects of food science, crop science, and all aspects of natural systems and provide funding for between one to five years.

The ARC will provide financial support for Industry Internships that will attract talented graduate students to undertake research and scholarship in industry.

The ARC is committed to working closely with industry and facilitating the translation of research findings into practical solutions through Industry Transformation Research Hubs, which focus on key research priorities and drive innovation to address real-world problems.

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