National Science Foundation Global Centers: Use-Inspired Research Addressing Global Challenges in Climate Change and Clean Energy

The Opportunity

The National Science Foundation (NSF) Global Centers Program is an ambitious new initiative to fund international, interdisciplinary collaborative research centers that will apply best practices of broadening participation and community engagement to develop use-inspired/applied research on climate change and clean energy, leading to foreseeable benefits to society.

This Program will prioritise research collaborations which foster team science, communityengaged research, and use knowledge-to-action frameworks. The proposed research work should maximize the benefits of international, interdisciplinary collaborations.

As the Australian national science agency, **CSIRO** has an important role to play in connecting and strengthening the Australian innovation ecosystem, ensuring we are equipped to meet our biggest challenges for the future. This means harnessing global networks and facilitating opportunities for collaborative research across industry, government and science organisations.

Through the NSF Global Centers, Australian researchers will join with partners in the US and other countries to mitigate climate change impacts and develop clean energy solutions.

Full details for this opportunity can be found here.

Also note that there will be an information webinar for Australian Participants held 11am AEDT, 28 February 2023 accessible here.

This EOI

This expression of interest is seeking to identify *nascent*, *developing and mature* collaborations involving RMIT researchers that fit within the scope of the CSIRO call.

Projects must:

- 1.be Australian based
- 2.involve partnership with a US institution, and
- 3.demonstrate strong alignment with at least one of the CSIRO mission related themes

The CSIRO mission themes include:

- Pathways to Net Zero
- Net Zero Regional Transitions
- Reducing Methane Emissions
- Integrated Energy Systems Intelligence
- Critical Energy Minerals and Energy Storage
- Scaling Clean Hydrogen Markets

Each link will take you to additional information provided by CSIRO.

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The total funding from CSIRO will be at a maximum of AUD \$7m over five years for Australian components in the Track 1 Global Centre Implementation Awards. The number of successful awards will be subject to the availability of funds.

CSIRO recognizes that tackling clean energy challenges requires multidisciplinary and transdisciplinary approaches and expects that partnerships may involve researchers from a range of fields. CSIRO will particularly welcome proposals that seek to work with Indigenous communities and organizations to create Indigenous-driven science solutions.

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Expression of Interest

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