

# RSE ENTERPRISE FELLOWSHIP GUIDE April 2021 Application

To progress your RSE enquiry regarding University support for an application, potential applicants are required to:

## 1. Watch the Application Workshop Video

It is important that you understand the eligibility criteria and process before you approach the University of Strathclyde to support your application. You must watch the application guidance video (2hrs 18mins) to ensure you fully understand the quality of applications expected by the RSE.

## 2. Attend an RSE Briefing Session

The RSE is hosting a briefing sessions during March 2021 – <u>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></u> at 12:30 and <u>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup></u> at 15:00 and posts dates of these on the RSE website.

## 3. Find a Host Department

Host Departments play a vital role in the RSE Enterprise Fellowship process as they are involved in providing credibility for your innovation, arranging costings, securing desk space and confirming their willingness to host you should your application be successful.

Applicants should find and secure support from a host department prior to seeking support from the Strathclyde Inspire team.

The Head of your host department will need to contact the Strathclyde Inspire team to confirm their support. It is anticipated that potential applicants will have existing links / collaboration activity with academic departments at the time of their enquiry. For applicants internal to the University of Strathclyde, it is likely you will have support from your own department and will already be known to the Strathclyde Inspire Team. Similarly, alumni and former staff of the University may have existing links with departments.

If you are not a graduate, alum or member of staff, please note this on the Expression of Interest form. Suggestions for potential collaborative relationships can be provided by Strathclyde Inspire but it will be the responsibility of the applicant to secure support.

## 4. Register your interest in applying with Strathclyde by 26th March 2021

If you would like to be considered for support from the University of Strathclyde, please register your interest by Friday 26th March. Compiling an application takes several weeks and we want to ensure there is sufficient time for you to prepare your first draft, receive and address feedback. Please fill in the Expression of Interest form linked below and submit it inspire@strath.ac.uk with 'RSE Enterprise Fellowship – your company name' as the email subject heading.

Once submitted, a member of the team will review your form to determine the best way forward.

## 5. Meet with a member of Strathclyde Inspire to discuss your application

You must meet with a member of the Strathclyde Inspire team to further discuss your application. At this meeting we will discuss your engagement with the University and the wider support ecosystem; the status of your project or business, with emphasis on technology readiness, scale of the market opportunity and fit with the RSE criteria. We will also discuss the intellectual property associated with your application and whether or not you need access to University-owned IP; and your potential host department.

## 6. Submit a first, full draft of your application by 31st March 2021

You should submit a first, full draft for review and feedback to your point of contact in Strathclyde Inspire by 31st March. Once reviewed, these applications will be taken to a University internal panel review meeting where we will select which applications will be supported in the remaining time leading to the deadline of Wednesday 28th April.

If your application is selected for further support from the University, your point of contact will work closely with you to ensure costings have been provided by your host academic department, confirm IP and arrange for approval signatures on behalf of the University.

## Further Information

For information regarding the RSE Enterprise Fellowships, please visit the <u>RSE website</u>.

Questions regarding Strathclyde's internal application process can be made to <u>inspire@strath.ac.uk</u>