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Hi S 22

Apologies that we may have jumped the gun yesterday on the readiness of the Entrepreneurs' Programme - Incubator Support Initiative guidelines.

The delivery team have made some final tweaks to the guidelines.

The EP-ISI <u>Expert In Residence</u> and <u>New & Existing Incubators</u> guidelines are now ready for your final review and approval.

#### Thank you

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Hi S 22

The Entrepreneurs' Programme - Incubator Support Initiative <u>New & Existing Incubator guidelines</u> & <u>Expert In Residence guidelines</u> are ready for your consideration and approval.

Once cleared by GMs of program, policy and design, the guidelines will be sent to Centrals for approval.

Please note our design team is seeking to send the guidelines to Centrals today if possible.

I've included below the email trail used when finalising the draft guidelines for reference.

Happy to discuss.

Thank you

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Hi Team

Thanks for reviewing the guidelines.

I have accepted changes where possible, responded to your comments below in blue and made the following additional changes:

- Removed the wording "The New and Existing Incubators funding component is highly
  competitive and funding will only be awarded to high performing incubators that score highly
  against all assessment criteria". This is handled in the merit criteria
- Removed merit criteria 4 regarding the migrant and refugee scoring, the paragraph above the
  merit criteria allows for the committee to assign 10 additional points to applications that
  support first-generation migrant and refugee start-ups. I have amended the scoring aswell.

We now consider the guidelines stable and will seek GM approval before progressing through centrals.

Kind regards

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Importance: High

Hi team,

Thanks for drafting the new ISI Guidelines. Program and Policy teams have reviewed and are happy for them to now go to the relevant GMs for approval.

Just a few points for you to note:

#### • Restriction to fund only one project:

· Under the current initiative, applicants can apply and be funded up to two projects at any time. We have agreed to change this and restrict applicants to only being able to have one funded application (from either EIR or NEI) at any one time. I have added in text at Item 7 in both Guidelines to make this clear. Accepted

## NEI: Post Project reporting:

Under our new KPI and evaluation framework, we will be introducing Post Project reporting. I had added in post project reporting requirements under Section 12.2.3, but you have advised that this is covered under evaluation and in the Grant Agreement. We don't think the wording is clear enough in the Evaluation Clause and is not currently in the Grant Agreement. We would prefer to have the requirements of post project reports listed separately, but if we can't, I have added in some text at 12.6 – Evaluation. We have reverted back to our standard text which allows us to go back to applicants to request further information or conduct interviews.

## Grant Acknowledgement – Item 12.7:

We have been advised by the Comms team that grantees need to use the following wording when acknowledging ISI funding, "This project is supported by the Australian Government Department of Industry, Innovation and Science through Incubator Support initiative funding as part of the Entrepreneurs' Programme". I have added this back in happy to discuss. Accepted but removed the departments name as we just use Aus Government

#### • EIR – Eligible Expenditure – Appendix B:

I have added in some text in EIR Guidelines, under Appendix B, to try to clarify upfront what is eligible expenditure for these projects. **Accepted** 

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, s 22 s 22

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Importance: High

Hi S 22

The revised Incubator Support New and Existing Incubator and Expert in Residence guidelines with the migrant/refugee expansion for your review and clearance.

The guidelines have been cleared by both § 22

Any questions please give me a call.

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Thanks \$ 22 (and others) for your work on this. All good from my perspective.

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Hi S 22

Before we progress the ISI guidelines to centrals we seek your final approval, \$ 22 has approved the minor changes to the assessment criteria to make it clearer for applicants with a refugee/migrant focus.

<u>Incubator Support Program guidelines - New and Existing Incubators</u> <u>Incubator Support Program guidelines New EIR</u>

#### Kind regards

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Hi S 22

\$ 22 has approved the <u>NEI guidelines</u> with a few minor changes shown if track. Please let me know if there's any issues. Thank you.

Kind regards,

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## Hi S 22

The change is only minor in nature, EL2 approval should be sufficient.

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Thanks<sup>S</sup> 22,

We will review – do we need to obtain GM clearance for this change to include additional Merit Criteria? § 22 approved the previous version of the Guidelines.

Thanks, s 22

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Hi S 22

For your final review, we have made changes to the migrant and refugee overview in section 2.2.2 and added a 4<sup>th</sup> assessment criteria where applicants will complete if they have a migrant or refugee focus.

s 22 can you please review the outcomes and objectives of the program to ensure you are happy with how they are worded, ensuring they cover start-ups that <u>don't</u> have a migrant or refugee focus.

Once we have policy and program management sign-off we can progress through central agencies.

Happy to discuss if required.

Kind regards

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Have incorporated comments tracked in the document.

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Hi S 22

Welcome back.

Can you please review the revised EP-Incubator Support Initiative New and Existing Incubator guidelines that have been expanded to include a migrant/refugee focus.

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## Kind regards

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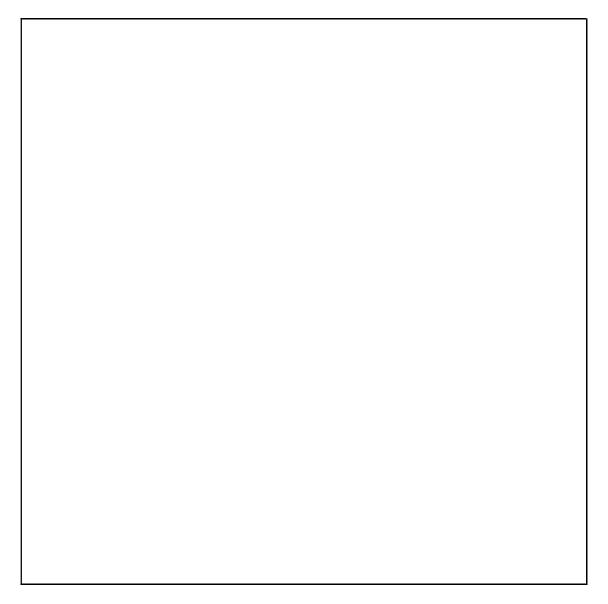
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The Entrepreneurs' Programme – Incubator Support Initiative (ISI) will be expanded to provide funding to incubators supporting first generation migrants and refugees that are interested in establishing a start-up enterprise with the potential to commercialise in overseas markets.

Applications for funding under existing ISI Guidelines will close on **Friday 31 January 2020**, **5pm AEDT**. This will allow time for customers that have been working on an application to submit a final version for assessment.

New Program Guidelines will be made available in February 2020. Further information will be updated on this page in due course.

For more information on how to apply for an Incubator Support grant, go to <a href="https://www.business.gov.au/assistance/incubator-support">www.business.gov.au/assistance/incubator-support</a> or call 13 28 46.

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We would like you to have an opportunity to review the draft guidelines and provide feedback on them before they are finalised. The EIR and new NEI streams will now be in separate documents – please refer attached.

We are working to a tight deadline, so apologies but we would appreciate it if you could provide any feedback you have by COB Monday, 9 September.

Program Management is yet to review properly, so there may be a bit of feedback yet to go through.

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I have reviewed the guidelines. My feedback is below:

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Regards,

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