

# **Letter of Intent Application**

Eligible applicants responding to the Science and Technology RFP must first submit a Letter of Intent. Letter of intent must be submitted by the Principal Investigator.

Deadline of LOI: October 26, 2015 until 11:59pm (AST).

For questions about this RFP process (including the LOI), you might contact Grants Advisory Team, only through rfp@prsciencetrust.org. Answers will be provided in 48-72 hours.

### **User Profile**

Applicant must register first by creating a user profile in order to gain access to the LOI Application Form. The User Profile will ask basic information about the Principal investigator as well as contact information for the Institution's Research and Development Administrator. User

### **LOI Application**

### I. Project Information Summary

- 1. Project Title:
- 2. Select the Strategic Sector that best describes your research project.
  - Biotechnology and Natural Sciences
  - □ Information and Communication Technologies
  - Medical Devices
  - □ Aerospace
  - □ Clean Technologies/Renewable Energy
  - □ Electronics
  - □ Agriculture
  - □ Environmental Sciences
  - Other: (please specify and justify) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Project Management:
  - a. Principal Investigator: \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Key Personnel/Collaborators (3 max.):
- 4. Type of research
  - □ Basic/Translational Research
  - □ Technology/Product Development for Commercialization

<u>Note</u>: LOIs under **Technology/Product Development for Commercialization** must submit additional information. See details at the end. The application platform will not allow applicants to surpass the character limits.

- II. Project Description:
  - 1. Research/Technology Summary (7,000 characters with spaces): Describe your research/technology and explain the current status of the project. What is the significance of the project? How is the research or technology novel and unique when compared to gold standard methods/technology and other new projects under development? Identify the gaps and/or discrepancies in the field.
  - **2.** Rationale for funds requested (3,500 characters with spaces): Briefly explain the project's plan and the goals expected to be accomplished with the Trust funds?
  - **3. Project Team** (5,600 characters with spaces): Describe the composition of the project team that will be responsible for implementing the project. Explain how the project team possesses the skills and experience necessary to achieve the proposed objectives. If the project is to be conducted in collaboration with a third party entity (e.g. a collaboration with academia, other private entity, etc.) please provide information about the third party entity and their expected scope of work.

## 4. Suggested Areas of Expertise for Review:

- a. To facilitate the review of the LOI, please identify three (3) areas of expertise which are suggested for its evaluation.
- b. Please include 3-5 keywords that identify key elements that are relevant to the research/technology.

Application under the category **Technology/Product Development for Commercialization** will also need to complete the following information:

1. Market Opportunity (3,500 characters with spaces): Provide a brief statement of the market need. How does your technology provide a solution to this need? What are the competing technologies? What is the competitive advantage of your work over existing methods and/or technologies?

2. Technology Transfer: Is the technology being transferred from a local research institution?

🗆 Yes

Provide name of the research institution: \_\_\_\_\_

□ No