

INNOVATION

INFORMATION + SUPPORT

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I am an innovator / entrepreneur

Advance Queensland

Online information on all of the programs and support under the Advance Queensland initiative. It includes information on funding and support programs, case studies, and how to join a network of successful innovators and entrepreneurs. There are a wide range of programs including BDF, Ignite Ideas, and the Advance Queensland Industry Attraction Fund.

advance.qld.gov.au

Queensland Chief Entrepreneur

As part of Advance Queensland we have appointed a Queensland Chief Entrepreneur who plays a vital role in building and promoting the importance and contribution of entrepreneurship and investment in Queensland.

The Office of the Queensland Chief Entrepreneur, based at The Precinct in Fortitude Valley, supports and inspires early-stage entrepreneurs with information, events, workshops and providing connections to people and programs that help them take their next steps. chiefentrepreneur.qld.gov.au

My Innovation Advisor

Specialist advisory services for entrepreneurs and startup founders seeking to progress the commercialisation of their ideas in Australian and international markets (up to one hour free consultation from some of Australia's leading experts).

innovateqld.com/my-innovation-advisor-service

Female Founders

Focussed on increasing the participation rates and business skills of female founders in Queensland along with providing support to those who are in the growth phase and need assistance to take their business to the next level.

advance.qld.gov.au/entrepreneurs-and-startups/female-founders-program

I want to start or grow my business

Business Queensland

A broad range of information tools and support services offered by Queensland Government to help businesses start, grow and employ.

business.qld.gov.au Phone: 13 QGOV (13 74 68)
business.qld.gov.au/running-business

Mentoring for Growth

A program, including Mentor Chats which is available for early stage businesses, that assists Queensland businesses to grow and succeed with volunteer business experts offering valuable insights. business.qld.gov.au/mentoring

Queensland Government Grants Finder

Search tool to help you find Queensland Government grants and assistance programs to help with your business and research needs. grants.services.qld.gov.au

business.gov.au

An online resource that offers simple, convenient access to government information, forms and services.

business.gov.au Phone 13 28 46

Starting a Business Guide, a step-by-step tool that walks you through the process of starting a business in Australia. business.gov.au/Guide/Starting

Business Registration Service, one form for key business registrations. register.business.gov.au

Australian Business Licence and Information Service, find the government licences, permits, approvals and guidelines relevant to your industry and location. ablis.business.gov.au

Australian Small Business Advisory Services (ASBAS) Digital Solutions

Low cost digital advisory services for small business focused on websites and selling online, social media and digital marketing, using small business software, and online security and data privacy. asbas.rdabrisbane.org.au

Regional Services Network – Queensland

The first point of contact for people looking to invest in Queensland, or grow a business.

dsd.qld.gov.au/contact-us/regional-contacts.html
dsd.qld.gov.au/economic-development/economic-development.html

Advancing Women in Business

This program encourages more women to start and grow their own business with grants, events, mentoring, partnerships and training offered. business.qld.gov.au/women

Advancing Indigenous Business

Targeted support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander business owners and entrepreneurs to assist with development, growth and continued business success. business.qld.gov.au/indigenous



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Skills for Queensland

A myriad of Queensland Government funded programs are available to assist business owners to recruit staff, including trainees and apprentices. Programs such as: Free tafe for year 12 graduates, Skilling Queenslanders for Work, and Higher Level Skills give business owners the opportunity to engage eligible employees.

desbt.qld.gov.au/training

Entrepreneurs' Programme – Business Management

Access to Business Advisers who review business operations, provide strategies for business improvement and work with you to make them happen. Opportunity for grant assistance.

business.gov.au/ep

Small Business Solutions

Workshop and mentoring program for small businesses that include a workshop and confidential coaching from qualified mentors. Programs include 'Build a Better Business', 'Marketing Masterclass' and 'Master the art of selling'.

tafeqld.edu.au/information-for/employers/small-business-solutions.html

Workplace Health and Safety Queensland – Small Business Program

Resources, services and advisory visits to help small businesses stay safe, healthy and productive.

worksafe.qld.gov.au/small-business

New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS)

Training, business mentoring and support to help individuals start their own business.

jobs.gov.au/self-employment-new-enterprise-incentive-scheme-neis

SelfStart

From planning, finding local support, through to perfecting your pitch, the SelfStart website contains information and resources to support people through the stages of starting a business.

jobsearch.gov.au/selfstart

jobactive

jobactive employment providers can help you find the right staff, at no cost for your business, who are screened and job-ready.

jobactive.gov.au

Back to Work Program

Support for employers to build confidence to take on employees; support for regions doing it tough; and support for job seekers to build confidence, upskill and retrain for jobs in a more agile Queensland economy.

backtowork.initiatives.qld.gov.au

I want to understand my Intellectual Property (IP)

Intellectual Property Info Kit

Online tools to help SMEs understand Australia's IP system and how to identify, protect and commercialise IP.

business.qld.gov.au/running-business/protecting-business/ip-kit

IP Australia

The go-to place for your intellectual property rights, for patents, trade marks, designs and plant breeder's rights. Use the eservices tool to apply, register, renew and pay for IP rights.

ipaaustralia.gov.au/eservices

I want to export

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC)

EFIC provides businesses with access to finance products to help enter international markets. Loans of up to \$350,000 are available to businesses with an annual turnover of up to \$10 million.

efic.gov.au

Trade & Investment Queensland (TIQ)

The Queensland Government's global business agency offering advice and resources to help Queensland exporters take their products to world markets and promoting Queensland as the perfect place for investment.

tiq.qld.gov.au

Austrade

A network of advisors in Australia and overseas offering practical advice to exporters and education providers on how to do business in international markets.

austrade.gov.au/Australian/How-Austrade-can-help/trade-services

Tradestart

A network of advisers available to assist small and medium sized exporters.

austrade.gov.au/tradestart

I want to market my services or sell to government

Tendering for Government Business

A workshop that provides information on government procurement processes to assist businesses to maximise their chances of winning government and other work. Cost \$50. Places are limited.

dsd.qld.gov.au Phone: 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

Capability Statement Workshops

A workshop to help businesses develop a capability statement (an outline of the business capabilities and skills). It is essential for participating and securing tendering opportunities and helps businesses market their product or service. Cost \$50. Places are limited.

dsd.qld.gov.au Phone: 13 QGOV (13 74 68)

INNOVATION JOURNEY

For small to medium businesses (0-199 FTEs)

SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH (SBIR)

Supports innovators to develop and test new solutions to complex Government challenges. Innovators retain all IP they develop and have the opportunity to secure a government lead customer.
advance.qld.gov.au/SBIR

INNOVATE QUEENSLAND

Helping Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs) turn their ideas into income or boost their business by learning the skills of innovation development, preparing new technologies for market and investment, and practical collaboration.
innovateqld.com

BUSINESS GROWTH FUND PROGRAM

Provides targeted assistance of up to \$50,000 for small and medium businesses that demonstrate high-growth and employment aspirations.
business.qld.gov.au/growthfund

SMALL BUSINESS DIGITAL GRANTS PROGRAM

Enabling small businesses to access the latest digital technologies through matched grant funding up to \$10,000.
business.qld.gov.au/digital

IGNITE IDEAS FUND

The Ignite Ideas Fund supports Queensland based small to medium sized businesses to commercialise innovative products, processes and services and compete in a global market place and create new jobs.
advance.qld.gov.au/entrepreneurs-and-startups-industry-small-business/ignite-ideas-fund

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FUND (BDF)

Provides investment between \$125,000 and \$2.5 million to eligible Queensland businesses.
advance.qld.gov.au/entrepreneurs-and-startups-industry-investors-small-business/business-development-fund



EXPLORE



VALIDATE



DEMONSTRATE



LAUNCH

R&D TAX INCENTIVE

Tax offset to encourage more companies to engage in research and development. A self-assessment programme available to all industries.
business.gov.au/RDTI

ENTREPRENEURS' PROGRAMME ACCELERATING COMMERCIALISATION

Grants and advice to help commercialise novel products, processes and services.
business.gov.au/AC

TAX INCENTIVES FOR EARLY STAGE INVESTORS

Eligible investors who purchase new shares in a qualifying early stage innovation company may be able to access a non-refundable carry forward tax offset and modified capital gains tax treatment.
ato.gov.au/earlystageinvestors

ENTREPRENEURS' PROGRAMME INNOVATION CONNECTIONS

Access to expert technology advice to address technology and knowledge gaps, and collaborate with the research sector in developing new ideas with commercial potential. Support includes funding to work on collaborative projects.
business.gov.au/IC

AUSTRALIAN LANDING PADS

Provides Australian market-ready start-ups the opportunity to access global innovation hubs in San Francisco, Tel Aviv, Shanghai, Berlin and Singapore.
australiaunlimited.com/landing-pads

EXPORT MARKET DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Existing and potential Australian exporters are reimbursed up to 50 per cent of expenses above \$5,000 incurred for export promotional activities in new markets.
austrade.gov.au/EMDG



Australian Government
Department of Industry,
Innovation and Science

Phone 13 28 46
www.business.gov.au

The following information has been developed to help Queensland small-to-medium businesses find innovation funding and opportunities that are available through the Queensland and Australian Governments.

Assistance programmes are often designed to be accessed throughout different stages of the business lifecycle.

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