

## **DRAFT NCPST Policy for Interaction with Industrial Partners**

Interaction with commercial partners interested in collaborative research is strongly encouraged. The mechanism for involvement with commercial partners is normally via a defined Research Project. This Research Project (which may include funding from a State Agency such as EI Innovation Partnership) should include a document containing the following details :

- Objectives
- Milestones
- Resourcing
- Timeframe and Planning
- Costings and Budgets
- Confidentiality Agreement
- IP Agreement if appropriate

The Research Project needs OVPR approval prior to project commencement.

If the level of participation in Centre activity by a commercial partner merits the regular placement on-campus of company personnel, the following rules apply:

- Visiting Researcher Badges from HR
- Appropriate safety training
- Respect confidentiality of other research projects

Companies with significant collaborative activity with the NCPST will be offered Industrial Membership of the NCPST. Benefits include:

- Invitation to research seminars and workshops
- Representative on industrial steering/advisory committee
- NCPST Newsletter
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