

# HHP INDUSTRY ALIGNMENT FUNDS – PRE-POSITIONING (IAF-PP)

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# Overview

- To develop industry-ready capabilities towards deepening the alignment of public sector research
- To develop multidisciplinary and integrated programmes with early industry involvement
- Supports new programmes, as well as existing programmes that have demonstrated strong track record of success and industry potential
- Programmes supported should be aligned with domains' themes and strategies



# Governance

- **Strategic Oversight Committee (SOC\*)**
  - Makes decisions on all IAF-PP policies and programmes
  - Comprises CEO A\*STAR, MD EDB and CEO NRF



- A\*STAR has been tasked as the **Implementing Agency** and reports to the SOC



# General Assessment Criteria

Programmes supported by IAF-PP are expected to lead to industry investments within 3-5 years

- Key Criteria:
  - Potential for industry development and economic impact
  - Programme with Technological Readiness Level (TRL) between two and five
  - Alignment of programme to Domain strategic objectives and ability to deliver RIE2025 outcomes (Details can be found at <https://www.nrf.gov.sg/rie2025-plan>)
  - Pre-positioning for value creation and value capture in Singapore
  - Potential to attract corporate R&D spending and investments (e.g. joint or corporate lab, co-development of project, creation of high quality jobs)
  - Differentiation and competitiveness at regional or global level

# Eligibility Criteria

Programme directors (PD) / lead Principal Investigator (PI) should:

- a. Hold at least a 0.7 FTE primary appointment in a Singapore publicly funded research or tertiary institution;
- b. Run a laboratory or research programme that carries out research in Singapore; and
- c. Have a track record of leadership ability in coordinating research programmes, as well as achieving productive research outcomes.

# Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)<sup>1</sup>

Indicator	Definition	Data Collection Methodology
Amount of industry spending on R&D	This refers to the investment that a company commits to spend in Singapore on R&D activities as a result of projects funded by HHP IAF-PP in RIE2025. It comprises cash and/or in kind contributions.	<p>Data to be reported via company declarations that accompany annual progress reports, mid-term reviews and final reports.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Company contributions leading up to R&amp;D industry spending should be accounted for via Research Collaboration Agreements (RCAs);</li> <li>▪ Site of R&amp;D spending must be in Singapore.</li> <li>▪ Public sector contributions (cash/in-kind) are excluded from IRS computations.</li> </ul>

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No. of industry projects	<p>This measures the total number of R&amp;D projects (excluding services projects) undertaken companies as a result of projects funded by HHP IAF-PP in RIE2025.</p> <p>Industry projects should be segmented by sector and enterprise segment.</p>	Data to be reported via annual progress reports, mid-term reviews and final reports.

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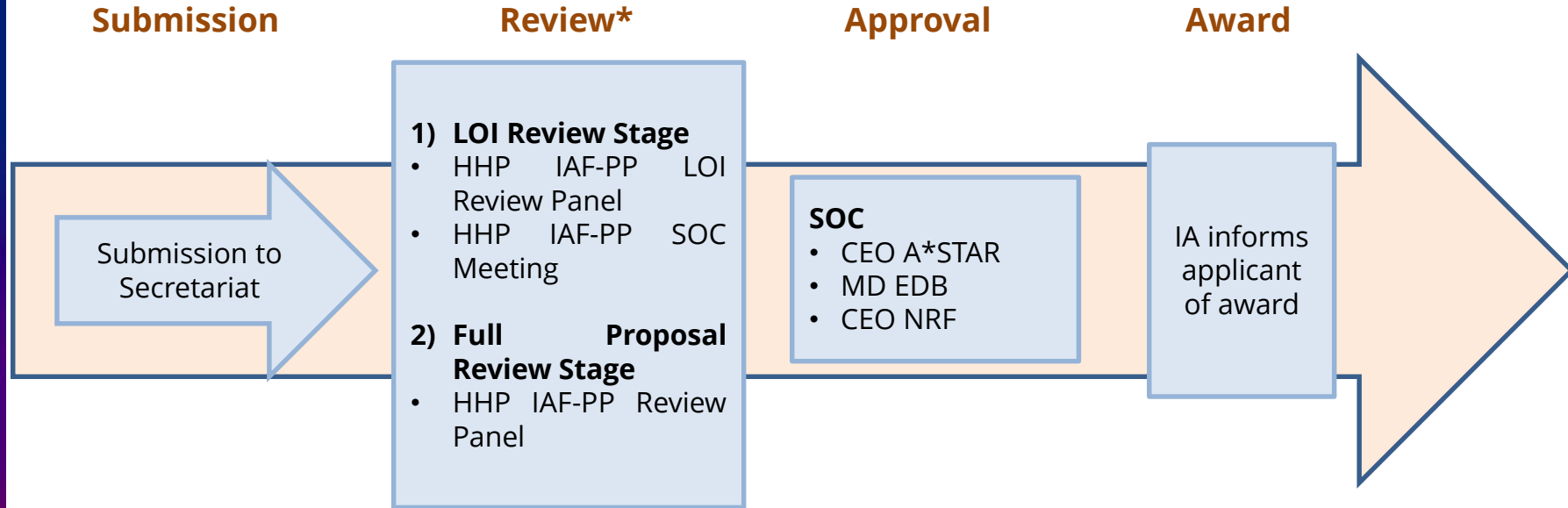


# Application Process

- Announcements will be made periodically to inform or solicit proposals from the R&D community on key focus areas via:
  - A\*STAR website
  - Thematic workshops and grant calls
  - Announcements through the Research Administration Office (or equivalent) of the institutes of higher learning, academic medical centres, hospitals and A\*STAR research institutes
  - Applications must be endorsed by applying Host Institution(s) prior to submission
  - All queries and applications must be submitted through A\*STAR (as the Implementing agency) at [IAF-PP\\_HBMS@hq.a-star.edu.sg](mailto:IAF-PP_HBMS@hq.a-star.edu.sg)
- There is no deadline for the Letter of Intent (LOI) submission. LOIs can be submitted any time throughout the year.

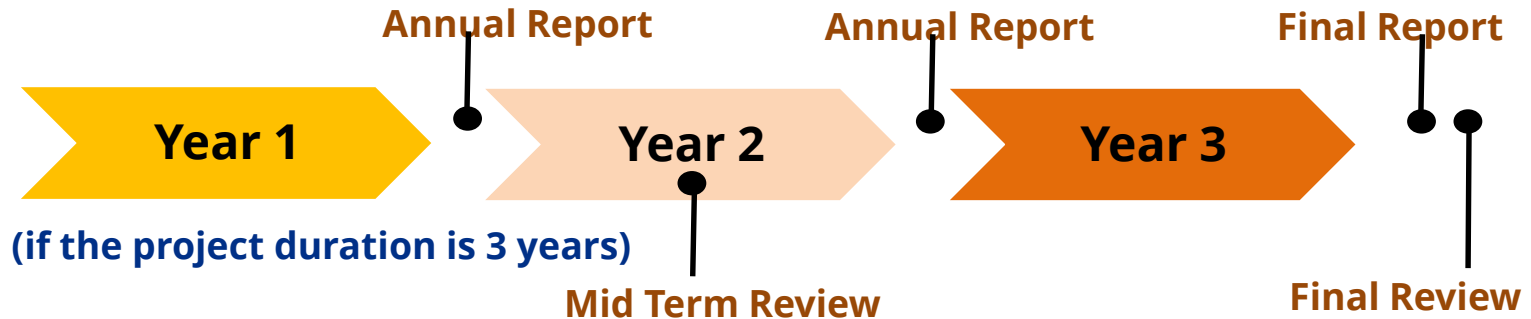


# Selection Process Workflow



# Post Award Grant Management

- Follow the A\*STAR Grants T&Cs and guidelines
- Yearly Progress Report within two (2) months from the end of the Financial Year
- Mid-Term and Final Review conducted approximately at the halfway mark and before the end of Term
- Final Report within three (3) months following the end of the Term
- FSOA within six (6) months from the end of the Term



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