**D1 Assessment Criteria**

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* **PAGE LIMIT = 5 A4 pages**
* ***Recommended* to use 12 point Times New Roman font or equivalent**
* **Text within tables and figures is recommended to be 10pt Font**
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* **Do not change the headings and their order**

**Applicants should ensure that information provided under these headings addresses the Assessment Criteria as detailed in the Grant Guidelines.**

**Please consider the assessment weighting of each section when completing your Assessment Criteria:**

Impact 25%

Commitment and Alignment 25%

Candidate Capability 25%

Research Quality and Innovation 25%

**PROJECT TITLE**

This title may differ from that shown in Question A1 of the application form and may exceed ten words.

**PROJECT AIMS AND BACKGROUND**

Briefly outline the aims and provide the background of this application.

Include information about national and international progress in this field of research and its relationship to this application.

Refer only to research outputs that are accessible to the national and international research communities.

**Criterion 1: IMPACT**

Describe the:

* The significance of the industry challenge or opportunity being addressed in the research project and its relevance to industry partners;
* The potential for short-, medium- or long-term outcomes, translation, adoption and/or commercialisation beyond Fellowship completion;
* The potential to build and expand sustainable relationships between industry partners and the research organisation and the wider research community; and
* The appropriateness, completeness and effectiveness of proposed pathways to impact, and related activities to support research translation, adoption and/or commercialisation, including IP management.

**Criterion 2: COMMITMENT AND ALIGNMENT**

Describe the:

* Demonstration of the mutual benefit to the Fellow and Key Industry Partner including potential to lead to longer-term collaboration;
* Strength of engagement between the Fellow and the Key Industry Partner, including previous projects (where applicable), and interactions to date on the proposed project; and
* The extent to which all parties demonstrate a commitment to the success of the project and to expanding a collaborative relationship, including the industry partners’ financial and/or in-kind contributions.

**Criterion 3: CANDIDATE CAPABILITY**

Describe the:

* The extent to which the candidate’s skills and experience, relative to opportunity, enable them to deliver the goals of the research project;
* The demonstrated capability of the candidate to lead research projects in collaboration with industry and/or other research end-user groups;
* Evidence of the candidate’s capability to effectively supervise and mentor more junior staff (in industry and university) and students; and
* The appropriateness and effectiveness of the proposed career development for the Fellow, including to enhance their research translation and/or commercialisation skills.

**Criterion 4: RESEARCH QUALITY AND INNOVATION**

Describe the:

* The clarity and novelty of the aim and conceptual framework and the innovativeness of the research method(s) to the industry challenge or opportunity;
* The novelty of the research in the context of previous research in the area;
* The involvement of the Key Industry Partner’s staff and resources in the design, method and delivery of the research; and
* The feasibility of the proposed research in terms of the project’s design, participants, requested duration, required resources/facilities, risk management and appropriateness of the budget.

If the project involves Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander research, additional criteria include:

* The project’s level of collaboration, engagement, relationship building and benefit sharing with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, and First Nations Organisations and Communities;
* The project’s strategy and mechanisms for Indigenous research capacity building within the project;
* The project’s adherence to the Australian Indigenous Data Sovereignty Principles; and
* The project’s understanding of, and proposed strategies to adhere to, the AIATSIS Code of Ethics for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research and NHMRC’s guidelines on Ethical conduct in research with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and communities.

**REFERENCES (if required)**

* Include a list of all references, including relevant references to the previous work of the participants.
* If preprints or comparable resources are cited, these should be explicitly identified in the reference list by including [PREPRINT OR COMPARABLE] after the reference. The reference should include a DOI, URL or equivalent, version number where available and/or date of access, as applicable. This indication is only required in the reference list and not in the project description itself.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS (if required)**

* Acknowledge any significant contributions to this application in terms of ideas and authorship, by persons not already named in this application.
* Note that this heading does not need to be included in the Project Description if it is not required.