

**Call for Proposals for Joint R&D and Innovation Projects
Between Singapore and Shenzhen Companies**
新加坡和深圳两地公司联合研发与创新项目建议书征集

Call Timeline

Call Opens	6 July 2026
Submission Deadline	10 August 2026

Enterprise Singapore (“EnterpriseSG”) and the Science, Technology and Innovation Bureau of Shenzhen Municipality (“SZTIB”) have announced the call for proposals for joint R&D and innovation projects between Singapore and Shenzhen, under the ambit of Singapore-China (Shenzhen) Smart City Initiative. This joint call aims to facilitate deeper cross-border collaboration between Singapore and Shenzhen enterprises on science, technology and innovation, and assist enterprises in their overseas ventures through co-development with foreign partners.

Interested companies from Singapore and Shenzhen are invited to submit their joint project proposals in the research and development of innovative products and applications with a strong market potential.

1. Project Scope

The call for proposals is open to projects in the technological and application areas listed in [Annex 1](#).

2. Partnership and Project Requirements

The project partners must meet the following requirements:

- The consortium must involve at least one company from Singapore and one company from Shenzhen, independent from each other.
- Academic/research entities and additional companies are welcomed as additional cooperation partners according to each country’s funding regulations.

- Academic/research entities and/or companies from other countries may also participate. However, EnterpriseSG will not fund these partners in this call.

The project proposals have to comply with the following guidelines:

- The project should focus on the development of new products, services or processes of industrial application leading to commercialisation in the domestic and/or global markets.
- The project should have an obvious advantage and differentiated value proposition resulting from the cooperation between participants from the two countries (e.g. increased knowledge base, commercial leads, access to R&D infrastructure, new fields of application, etc.).
- The project should demonstrate a balanced technological contribution between the partners from both countries. Each partner/country should contribute no more than 70% of total project contribution, in terms of person months.
- The project partners should agree in advance on the IP rights and on the commercialisation strategy of the product and process.

Any partners whose joint R&D project is consistent with the aforesaid criteria can apply to the current call for proposals in accordance with the national laws, rules, regulations and procedures in effect.

3. Eligibility Criteria

3.1 For Singapore Companies

The Singapore partner must meet the following criteria to apply:

- a. Be a business entity that is registered and operating in Singapore
- b. Have $\geq 30\%$ of its ordinary shares held directly or indirectly by Singaporean(s) / Singapore PR(s), determined by the ultimate individual ownership and;
- c. Be financially able to see the project through to completion.

Projects will be supported on a reimbursement basis, where successful applicants may receive up to 70% of total qualifying project costs.

4. Submission Guidelines

4.1 For Singapore Companies

To apply for the call, interested Singapore companies should:

1. Visit the Business Grants Portal (BGP) through the link [here](#).
2. Locate the grant titled “EDG (Co-Innovation programme)” and click “Log in to apply”.

- a. Please note that EDG (Co-Innovation Programme) is **not** the same as the Enterprise Development Grant (EDG). All applications for EDG(CIP) should be submitted through BGP2.0, which is different from the portal used for EDG. Do check the top of your web browser and ensure that you are using the right portal before you click on submit.
3. Log in to BGP using CorpPass. You may refer to the guide linked [here](#) for help.
4. Under the list of calls, select “Singapore-China Shenzhen Call”.
5. Complete the application form and include the necessary supporting documents where specified. This will include:
 - i. Latest ACRA business profile (retrieved within six months from application date)
 - ii. Applicant’s latest and previous two years’ audited financial statements (Company and Group level), or official management account
 - iii. Relevant key quotations (e.g., equipment & software, materials & consumables, professional services)

For reference, the fields to be completed on BGP are outlined in the sample template linked [here](#).

The online application form, along with the supporting documents, must be completed and submitted **by 10 August 2026, 18:00hrs (SGT, GMT +8)**, to be considered for funding.

4.2 For Shenzhen Companies

Interested Shenzhen companies may refer to [SZSTIB’s website](#) for the call document or contact SZSTIB for information regarding eligibility criteria and application process for Shenzhen companies.

5. Evaluation of Project Proposals

All applications are assessed against the eligibility criteria of the call before being put forward for the national assessment according to the national evaluation criteria.

EnterpriseSG and SZSTIB will carry out independent national assessments and will select the eligible projects to be financially supported in accordance with their national laws and regulations. Only projects that are selected and approved by both EnterpriseSG and SZSTIB will receive funding support under this call.

6. Announcement of Approved Projects

Both Shenzhen and Singapore partners whose projects have been selected will be informed of the results and the amount of funding for the successful projects by their respective funding agencies.

7. Main Contact Points

For further queries regarding this joint call, please contact the respective country representatives below:

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LIST OF ELIGIBLE TECHNOLOGICAL AND APPLICATION AREAS

20 Strategic Emerging Industrial Clusters

1. New-generation networks and communications
2. Semiconductors and integrated circuits
3. Ultra-high-definition video and display
4. Smart terminals
5. Artificial intelligence and applications
6. Software and information services
7. Biomedicine and life health
8. High-end medical devices
9. New energy
10. High-performance and cutting-edge new materials
11. High-end technical equipment
12. Precision instruments and meters
13. Intelligent robots
14. Intelligent connected new energy vehicles
15. Safety, energy conservation and environmental protection
16. Low-altitude equipment and applications
17. Commercial aerospace and aviation
18. Digital content and creativity
19. Upgrading of competitive traditional industries
20. Advanced marine manufacturing and high-end services

8 Future Industries

1. Biomanufacturing
2. Physical intelligence
3. Optical computing and optical-carried information
4. Quantum technology
5. 6th-generation mobile communications (6G)
6. Future energy
7. Deep-sea mineral resources
8. Brain science and brain-computer engineering