

ASC Research and Innovation Grant Program 2025 - Application Form

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Application

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ASC Research and Innovation Grants Program 2025

Please ensure you read the [ASC Research and Innovation Grant Program 2025 Guidelines](#) prior to applying.

This grant is made available to address the following research question:

What are the costs associated with the governance and operating structures in the delivery of sport, and what are the major factors that contribute to these costs?

We are seeking to expand on our current understanding and analysis of known governance and operating models within sporting organisations (for example, federated, one management, unitary, and hybrid) including:

- The cost associated with the delivery of sport within each model
- The major characteristics of the models, and in particular the major factors within the models that contribute to the cost to deliver sport
- The effect that these costs have on organisational resilience and sustainability

Identifying good and promising practice within and beyond the sport sector.

Program Timeline

- **Applications Open: 20 January 2025, 9am AEDT**
- **Applications Close: 28 February 2025, 12pm AEDT**
- **Notification of Successful Application(s): April 2025**

*Late submissions **will not be** considered unless there is a technical issue (refer to the Program Guidelines)*

For enquiries, please contact ASC Research and Innovation Office - AISResearch@ausport.gov.au

Eligibility

To be eligible, Organisations, must:

- Not be an organisation named by the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (www.nationalredress.gov.au) on its list of "Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme".

Additionally, the Administering Organisation must:

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- Have a current Australian Business Number; and
- additionally, the Administering Organisation and Other Eligible Organisation(s) must:
- Have demonstrated capabilities to undertake quality research projects to deliver outcomes aligned to the National Sport Research Agenda.
 - Have demonstrated capabilities of delivering tangible value to industry partners.

Does your organisation meet the criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Details

Administering Organisation *

Organisation Name

Name of Research Group *

Organisation Address *

Address

Primary Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Primary Email *

Must be an email address.

Organisation ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	

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ATO Charity Type [More information](#)

ACNC Registration

Tax Concessions

Main business location

Must be an ABN.

Principal Investigator

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In this section, you will be asked:

- to provide details for each member of the Research Group
- to provide Performance Evidence for each member of the Research Group

Information about Research Opportunity and Performance Evidence (ROPE) can be found within the [Australian Research Council \(ARC\) ROPE Statement](#)

Principal Investigator

Name of Investigator *

Please provide a brief outline of relevant Performance Evidence (max 250 words). Performance Evidence incorporates research activities, outputs and achievements evaluated in the context of research impact, as appropriate to each discipline, and research opportunity. *

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Do you have additional members in the Research Group? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Associate Investigator 1

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Associate Investigator 1

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

Is the organisation eligible as per the eligibility criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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Associate Investigator 2

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Associate Investigator 2

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

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- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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Associate Investigator 3

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Associate Investigator 3

Name of Investigator *

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Organisation *

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- ☐ Yes
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- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Associate Investigator 4

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Associate Investigator 4

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

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- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Associate Investigator 5

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Associate Investigator 5

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

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- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Associate Investigator 6

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Associate Investigator 6

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

Is the organisation eligible as per the eligibility criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Associate Investigator 7

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Associate Investigator 7

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

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- ☐ Yes
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- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Associate Investigator 8

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Associate Investigator 8

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

Is the organisation eligible as per the eligibility criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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- ☐ Yes

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☐ No

Associate Investigator 9

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Associate Investigator 9

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

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- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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Associate Investigator 10

Name of Investigator *

Organisation *

Is the organisation eligible as per the eligibility criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
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Do you have additional members in the Research Group? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Proposed Partner Organisations

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Partner Organisations support the application without the direct involvement of an Investigator (e.g. endorsing the project, or providing cash and/or in kind support). Please provide the details for the proposed partner organisation (if any) and the main contact within that organisation.

Eligible Partner Organisations must:

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- Not be an organisation named by the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (www.nationalredress.gov.au) on its list of “Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme”

Do you have a partner organisation? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Proposed Partner Organisation 1

Partner Organisation Name *

Is the organisation eligible as per the eligibility criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Partner Contact Name *

Title First Name Last Name

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Contact Number *

Email Address *

Partner Organisation contribution *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Do you have another proposed partner organisation? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Proposed Partner Organisation 2

Partner Organisation Name *

Is the organisation eligible as per the eligibility criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Partner Contact Name *

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Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Contact Number *

Email Address *

Partner Organisation contribution *

Do you have another proposed partner organisation? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Proposed Partner Organisation 3

Partner Organisation Name *

Is the organisation eligible as per the eligibility criteria above? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Partner Contact Name *

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Contact Number *

Email Address *

Partner Organisation contribution *

Do you have another proposed partner organisation? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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Expertise and Capability of the Research Group

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Please provide a description of the research group and why it would be best placed to conduct the proposed research project. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Please provide up to ten self-nominated publications (or, where relevant, examples of research projects) for the Research Group (i.e. one of the above mentioned investigators is an author) in support of the Group's expertise and capability, from the past 10 years (taking into consideration career disruptions). *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Please provide details related to the research teams' access and availability to data collection required to successfully complete the project. For example, if the main data collection are surveys, some indication of access to relevant participants. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

Project's Output

In plain language, clearly and briefly describe the proposed research project's output (i.e. in one sentence, what will be produced and delivered to the ASC at the completion of this proposed project). *

Word count:

Must be no more than 50 words.

Impact

Please describe the potential impact of the proposed activity (i.e. how will the information / insights from this work benefit the ASC and its stakeholders? What

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applied outcomes might be developed that will support quantifying the costs in the delivery of sport?) *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Project's Reach

Please describe the potential beneficiaries of the proposed activity. Where applicable, please report an estimate of the type of sports potentially impacted by the project *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Proposed Project

Please describe your proposed research project, including how you intend to address the research question/s and information related to the study design, feasibility, data collection and management procedures, data analysis, and reporting. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 600 words.

Responsible Research

Please state your commitment to conducting the activity according to the Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research 2018 and, when applicable, in line with the 'Recommendations for conducting AIS-supported research in high performance sport'. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Any additional comments

Any additional comments including any challenges that you foresee to address the research question/s.

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Word count:
Must be no more than 100 words.

Funding

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Total Funding Amount Requested *

\$

What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application (ex GST)?

Please provide detailed budget for the requested funding amount listed above, including timelines for expenditure. *

Co-Contributions (cash or in-kind)

If any of the eligible organisations are co-contributing (cash or in-kind), please use the table below to list details. Please note, there is special consideration for applications that demonstrate proposed leverage of ASC funding with other cash and / or in-kind contributions.

Contributor	Amount (ex GST)
Please list any other contributing organisations (applicant organisation/partner organisations etc).	Please list the amount of the contribution
<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

Total Co-Contributions (cash or in-kind)

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Partnership Engagement

Please provide contacts of previous partners who would be willing to discuss previous engagements with the research group. The ASC is particularly interested in applied outcomes with industry partners. *

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Submission of Application

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Conflict of Interest

Any conflicts of interest could affect the performance of the grant opportunity or Program. There may be a conflict of interest, or perceived conflict of interest, if ASC staff, any member of the Assessment Panel, a committee or advisor, and/or you or any of your personnel, for example:

- has a professional, commercial or personal relationship with a party who is able to influence the application selection process, such as an ASC officer, or a member of an external panel
- has a relationship with, or interest in, an organisation which is likely to interfere with or restrict the applicants from carrying out the proposed activities fairly and independently or
- has a relationship with, or interest in, an organisation from which they will receive personal gain because the organisation receives a grant under the grant Program.

*

- ☐ I declare that, to the best of my knowledge, no actual or perceived conflicts of interest arise in relation to this grant application or any resulting grant award OR;
- ☐ I have disclosed below all actual or perceived conflicts of interest, of which I'm aware, that may arise in relation to this grant application or any resulting grant award.

Conflict of Interest Declared

Please provide all relevant information regarding an actual or perceived conflict of interest relating to this grant application *

Certification, Privacy Personal Information

Personal information submitted via the online application is collected by ASC for the purpose of considering applications and administering the program. The information collected may be disclosed to the respective national or state sporting organisation, ministers' offices and government departments and agencies for this purpose.

The personal details of successful applicants or participants (including name, home state, sport, supporting organisation, and any photo or video footage of them produced in connection with the program; the value of the grant awarded; and a brief description of the purpose for the grant) will be released by ASC to the public and the media, and may be placed on the ASC websites, including for use of promotional purposes.

The Australian Sports Commission Privacy Policy can be found at https://www.sportaus.gov.au/legal_information/privacy_policy.

If you have any concerns about the privacy of your information, please contact privacy@ausport.gov.au.

I, the applicant *

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☐ Certify that the information supplied in this application is true and correct, and that I will contact the ASC immediately should any details change.

I also *

☐ Understand that this application will not necessarily result in funding approval.

I consent to *

☐ the Australian Sports Commission holding the personal information I have provided, and managing it under the provisions of the Australian Sports Commission Privacy Policy.

Submitter Name *

First Name

Last Name