



You are invited to attend
an online Pollination
Research Forum on:
Thursday 29 July 2021
Time 1pm–3pm AEST

A Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) for Pollination Security

Background

The Australian Government's CRC Program supports industry-led collaborations between industry, researchers and the community. The program aims to:

- Improve the competitiveness, productivity and sustainability of Australian industries, especially where Australia has a competitive strength, and in line with government priorities.
- Foster high quality research to solve industry-identified problems through industry-led and outcome focused collaborative research partnerships between industry entities and research organisations.
- Encourage and facilitate small and medium enterprise (SME) participation in collaborative research.

Since its inception in 1990, the CRC program has committed \$4.6 billion in funding to support the establishment of over 221 CRC grants and 76 CRC-P Grants – a total of 297 collaborations funded over the program's lifetime.

Aim of Forum

This Forum will brief the industry on the process and opportunities to forming a CRC for Pollination Security.

Why? (The value proposition)

- Have access to cost effective applied research through leverage of the grant income and research partner cash and in-kind contributions;
- Have the opportunity to network with other like-minded industry organisations, leading to further research and collaboration opportunities;
- Tackle large problems that can make a measurable impact on your organisation's ability to benefit and grow;
- Get access to a pool of Australia's leading researchers focusing on pollination;
- Enhance your organisation's reputation and be recognised as a leader that supports and delivers change to benefit the Australian agriculture industry;
- Leverage PhD candidates to support your organization through co-working arrangements and potential employees.

Why now?

Round 23 of CRC Funding for medium to long term industry-led research collaborations recently opened.

🔗 www.business.gov.au/grants-and-programs/cooperative-research-centres-crc-grants

Stage 1 applications for Round 23 close on 24th August 2021.

What is being proposed?

- Pollinator supply chain management
- Pollination efficacy
- The sustainable management of beneficial insects and ecosystem service delivery

Why you should attend

At the end of the Forum you will:

- Be able to evaluate the value and merit of you/your business joining the Pollination Security CRC bid
- Understand the next steps for how to be involved.

Agenda

| Time | Session title | Who |
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| 1pm | Introduction and Welcome Overview of how the Forum will run Housekeeping | Fiona Chambers, When Bee Foundation |
| 1.10 | Hort Innovation Gaps/Opportunities | Ashley Zamek, Hort Innovation |
| 1.15 | AgriFutures R&D Gaps/Opportunities | Annelies McGaw, AgriFutures |
| 1.20 | CRCs – Background to the opportunity | Liz Barbour, CRCHBP |
| 1.35 | Scope of proposal | Romina Rader, UNE |
| 1.40 | Case study – Benefits of undertaking research for business | Cameron Spurr, Seed Purity |
| 1.45–2.15 | Breakout Group 1 – Industry Needs Breakout Group 2 – Research Capacity | Fiona Chambers Liz Barbour |
| 2.15–2.30 | Return to Group & Recap | Fiona Chambers |
| 2.30–3 | Questions & Next Steps | Fiona Chambers |

Event registration

🔗 <https://events.humanitix.com/crc-for-pollination-security>