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Assessor Induction – (Part 2) ‘live’ Q&A

- The webinar will be starting at **11:30am**. We are currently on mute, whilst waiting for more people to join. We will conduct a sound check before the webinar starts.
- Please ensure that you are dialled in, either by computer or phone, so that you can hear the briefing.
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Case studies





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Case study 1



Case study 1, question 2:

What is the challenge you are trying to solve, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic?

Case study 1, question 5:

Who is in the project team, what are their roles, and how will you deliver the project?

Case study 1, question 6:

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

How are you ensuring that your organisation and idea do not discriminate?

Case study 1, question 2 - assessor score and comments

What is the challenge you are trying to solve, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic?

Score: 5.6

Feedback: The applicant outlines a business problem that they are clearly passionate about solving however the summary provided feels like a solution seeking a problem. There is no real data provided to outline the market need for this product and the link to COVID19 impacts is not demonstrated clearly enough.

Case study 1, question 5 - assessor score and comments

Who is in the project team, what are their roles, and how will you deliver the project?

Score: 5.8

Feedback: The team principals have significant domain experience and credibility, but key technical staff are yet to be recruited, and the fact that candidates are yet to be identified raises concerns over the likely readiness of the team for project kick-off, and over team coherence. Work packages are identified with leadership and cost breakdown defined, and a very basic timeline is provided. The plan appears appropriate to the project objectives.

Case study 1, question 6 - assessor score and comments

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

How are you ensuring that your organisation and idea do not discriminate?

Score: 6.2

Feedback: The application in this section could articulate how they are addressing and will continue addressing the matter of equality, diversity and inclusion within their teams and employees. It would be useful also to discuss EDI matters in terms of machine learning and the used questionnaire.

Full application

Overall score: 50 (unfunded)

Out of scope: 1

Not recommended: 3



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Case study 2



Case study 2, question 1:

What is the business need, technological challenge or market opportunity behind your innovation?

Case study 2, question 5:

How are you going to grow your business and increase your productivity into the long term as a result of the project?

Case study 2, question 10:

How much will the project cost and how does it represent value for money for the team and the taxpayer?

Case study 2, question 1 - assessor score and comments

What is the business need, technological challenge or market opportunity behind your innovation?

Score: 10

Feedback: The motivation for the project is compelling, well-evidenced, and identifies unmet needs with major economic and societal impacts. The technical readiness of the project is clear and the development goals are clearly described, as is its position relative to emerging, competitive technologies. Excellent.

Case study 2, question 5 - assessor score and comments

How are you going to grow your business and increase your productivity into the long term as a result of the project?

Score: 8.2

Feedback: In almost all respects a response of immense clarity. It is to be hoped that the anticipated licencing arrangements will be strictly differentiated to marketable product niches in order to maximise returns.

Case study 2, question 10 - assessor score and comments

Score: 9.8

Feedback: The costs of the project are entirely appropriate, and are only possible due to the waiving of [REDACTED] overheads - which is an achievement in itself. Subcontractor usage is well-justified and at an appropriate level, as expertise is required. ROI is excellent, although probably not in the timeframe proposed. [REDACTED] contribution is described.

Full application

Overall score: 93.2 (funded)

Out of scope: 0

Not recommended: 0



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Thank you for taking the time to complete the Assessor Induction!