Disruptive Technologies Innovation Fund
Call 2 – Stakeholder Communication

The DTIF is about developing and deploying innovative technologies for commercial use through collaborations between enterprises in Ireland, drawing on excellent publicly-funded research where that is appropriate. DTIF Call 1 saw 27 collaborative projects funded with over 100 partners involved.

DTIF Call 2 seeks to fund many more exciting collaborations. It will focus on collaborative research partnerships between enterprises and will also allow for Research Performing Organisations (RPOs) including universities and other institutes to be involved.

DTIF Call 2 **is about:**

Collaboration   **Disruption**   **Market Impact**

DTIF is about bringing researchers and enterprise together to use tools, technologies and techniques such as AI and machine learning, robotics, IoT, data analytics, AR/VR, digital platforms, blockchain, advanced and smart manufacturing techniques, biorefining and innovative business processes to develop and deploy solutions to help meet the challenges facing Ireland and to exploit opportunities.

DTIF is a key commitment for delivery under the Government's Future Jobs Ireland framework. Future Jobs Ireland is a structured response to the future needs of business and workers in Ireland. Future Jobs Ireland is organised under key thematic areas including Pillar One: **Embracing innovation and technological change.**

What are we looking for in DTIF Call 2?
DTIF Call 2 is about funding collaborations that demonstrate disruptive technologies innovation, collaborations that can:
  -   Alter markets;
  -   Alter the way business operates;
  -   Involves a new product or the emergence of a new business model.

Funding applications for Call 2 should be within the Research Priority Areas 2018-2023. We are particularly interested in projects of scale with a strong enterprise agenda to harness maximum medium-term economic impact for Ireland. Ideally, we are looking for enterprise-driven research and development challenges that can demonstrate commercial impacts within 3 to 5 years of project completion.

Collaborations eligible for DTIF Call 2?

➢ Collaborations with a strong lead partner and a strong project management structure that will target the development and deployment of disruptive technologies innovation to deliver medium-term impact in Ireland.

➢ Collaborations delivering projects of scale with a minimum funding request from DTIF of at least €1.5 million over 3 years.

➢ Collaborations are required to have at least 3 partners with at least one SME and one other enterprise partner.

➢ Enterprises can claim up to 50% of their eligible costs. RPOs can claim up to 100% of eligible costs. RPOs cannot receive more than 50% of the total DTIF funding in any collaboration.

To be eligible for funding, you will have to be a client or potential client of Enterprise Ireland, IDA Ireland or Údarás na Gaeltachta or an eligible Research Performing Organisation (RPO). If not, you may still be involved in a collaboration but you will not be eligible for funding. DTIF funding can only be accessed by clients of Enterprise Ireland, IDA Ireland, Údarás na Gaeltachta and eligible RPOs. All partners should be carrying out industrial research in a balanced and integrated consortium.

Application Process

DTIF Call 2 offers a simple, fast and effective application process with just one stage. Enterprise Ireland is administering this call on behalf of the Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation. Application documents and relevant templates will be issued in June 2019. We will also host an information session and webinars will be available during the call period.

Indicative Timelines for DTIF Call 2

Call 2 Opens **June 2019** → Closing date for applications **September 2019** → Announcement of successful projects **December 2019**

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