

NBIC at Nottingham University Innovation voucher guidance

This NBIC Innovation voucher scheme has been developed to foster initial contacts between the University of Nottingham NBIC core partner and SMEs from the Midlands by offering vouchers to subsidise the costs of collaborative projects which make use of the University facilities and researchers.

The scheme aims to fund projects that develop new products or services which help the industry partner innovate and grow as a business.

The value of each voucher can range from £1,000 to £3,000 and will be used to cover specific university costs. The company must contribute an equal or greater value in cash or in kind, or a combination of the two.

Benefits for Industry partner

- Funding for the University of Nottingham to support the develop of new innovations by the industrial partner.
- Introduction to NBIC at the University of Nottingham in the region and access to cutting edge facilities and expertise.
- Introduction into the wider NBIC network of academic and industry partners
- Ongoing NBIC support post project, including access to Proof of Concept and other funding

Eligibility

- Be defined as a small and medium sized enterprise (SME): micro (less than 10 employees and an annual turnover under €2 million), small (less than 50 employees and an annual turnover under €10 million) and medium-sized (less than 250 employees and an annual turnover under €50 million) businesses.
- Contribute via cash or in kind an equal or higher value than the voucher requested
- Have an unmet need or new innovation relevant to biofilms
- Need subject matter expertise to meet this unmet need or develop the new innovation
- Be located within the Midlands
- Demonstrate a keen interest in building an ongoing relationship with the core partner and NBIC as a whole

The voucher can be used by a company to carry out a particular piece of work towards the development of a biofilm relevant innovation at the University of Nottingham which can include: access to equipment, research staff support, consumables etc at the institution.

Attend our event on 17th May to find out more!

Deadline: Vouchers must be submitted by **5:00 pm Friday 16th June**