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Introduction

HKSTP-HKU iAXON is a new initiative supported by HKSTP and HKU to i) further strengthen the entrepreneurial eco-system in HKU; and to ii) extend the HKSTP Incubation Programs to Deep Technology Startup companies formed by students, faculty members, staff and alumni using technologies of HKU. iAXON is located within 5-minute walking distance from the MTR HKU station. It is situated on the 29th Floor of Pacific Plaza, 410 Des Voeux Road West, Hong Kong.

Program Benefits

- Companies admitted to iAXON may make use of the iAXON office space
- HKSTP’s Business, Marketing, Incubation and other related supports are extended to companies admitted to iAXON
- Companies admitted to iAXON under Category A and C below may further apply for
 - ITF’s RTH-SPC Research Talent Hub (<https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding-programmes/nurturing-talent/research-talent-hub/research-talent-hub-for-spc-projects-rth-spc-/index.html>)
 - ITF’s PSTS-SPC Public Sector Trial Scheme (https://www.itf.gov.hk/filemanager/en/content_53/psts-spc-guide-e_201905.pdf)
 - ITF’s TechTAS Technology Talent Admission Scheme (<https://www.itc.gov.hk/en/techtas/index.htm>)
 - HKSTP’s Incubation Programs (<https://www.hkstp.org/en/how-we-serve/incubation-programmes/>)
 - HKSTP’s Accommodation Support Scheme
 - HKSTP’s Student Internship Support Programme
- Companies admitted to iAXON are expected to graduate in one year in general and subject to their satisfactory performances, they may be relocated to the HKSTP campus to continue their business development and expansion

Eligibility

Deep Technology Startup companies, Individual and Teams belonging to one of the following categories are eligible for application:

Category		
A	Technology Startup companies for the HKSTP Incubation Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Technology Startup company which is a qualifying applicant/awardee of the HKU iDendron Incubation Program (iIP) or a qualifying applicant/awardee of ITC's Technology Start-up Support Scheme for Universities (TSSSU) program administered by HKU; and • such Technology Startup company is incorporated in Hong Kong under the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) for not more than five years from the date the company submits its formal application for the HKSTP Incubation Programs
B	Individual or Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Individual or Team which is a qualifying applicant/awardee of the HKU iDendron SEED Program
C	Technology Startup companies not fulfilling the conditions Category A and B above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Technology Startup company which is an eligible applicant for becoming a tenant or is an existing tenant at HKSTP; and • such Technology Startup company is commercializing technologies of HKU and/or HKU (through its commercial arm) is a shareholder

Information to Be Submitted

1. Application Form
2. Business Proposal
3. Pitching Deck
4. Supporting Documents
 - a. Hong Kong Business Registration Certificate;
 - b. Certificate of Incorporation;
 - c. Articles of Association;
 - d. Latest Annual Return (and other acceptable documents) showing the present directors and shareholders;
 - e. Latest Audited Financial Statements;
 - f. Patent certificate(s) and/or patent application(s) and/or license agreement of intellectual property with other parties, if any

- g. Other supplementary information such as pictures, diagrams and technology illustration, if any

How to Apply

1. Complete the Application Form.
2. Submit the completed Application Form, Business Proposal, Pitching Deck and all the relevant Supporting Documents electronically to:
Email: iaxon@tto.hku.hk on or before the Application Deadline.
3. **Application Deadline: August 27, 2021 (Friday) 5:00PM (HK Time)**

Application Review Process and Assessment Criteria

1. All applications will be reviewed by a vetting committee.
2. Assessment criteria include, but not limited to, the following:
 - innovation and technology
 - business model and business plan
 - competence of team / personnel
 - milestone plan for the next 3 years
 - exiting or ex-awardees of related HKU entrepreneurship / Incubation programs (not mandatory)
 - commercialising HKU technologies(not mandatory)
3. Short-listed applicants may be invited to pitch/make a presentation to the vetting committee

Acceptance of Offer for Admission

1. A successful applicant will receive a notification of offer for admission (the “Offer”) from iAXON. All successful applicant must reply in writing to iAXON regarding its acceptance of the Offer within **five (5) calendar days** from the date of notification; otherwise, such successful applicant is deemed to have relinquished the Offer and iAXON will dismiss the application of such successful applicant without further notice.
2. Successful applicant will be admitted to one of the programs under Hong Kong Science Park (HKSTP) and an agreement will be signed between the successful applicant and HKSTP. For the avoidance of doubt, there is no binding agreement unless and until such corresponding agreement and T&C is signed.

3. Successful applicant shall comply with all the regulation and requirement of the corresponding programs of HKSTP.

Terms and Conditions

1. iAXON will have the sole discretion in determining the length of occupancy of each admitted company. For example, for a non-performing company or a company that underutilizes its allocated resource at iAXON, iAXON will require the company to move out by serving a termination notice to it.
2. Admitted companies are not entitled to use the names, logo, trademarks or any intellectual property of HKU and HKSTP without prior written approval.
3. Successful applicants shall fulfil all corresponding regulation and requirement throughout the whole period of occupancy.

Appendix I – Business Proposal Guidance Notes

Please prepare your Business Proposal covering all the items below:

1. Executive Summary
2. Key Technology Focus
3. Products / Services being developed
4. Research and Development Content and Plan
5. Sales and Marketing Plan
6. Finance
7. Corporate Structure/ Organization Chart and Introduction of the Team (including the curriculum vitae of each member in the Team as the Appendices)
8. Key Milestones Summary