CIT
CRITICAL INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES

Development & Commercialization Program

Applications open for rolling intake, up to $100k per project.

THE OPPORTUNITY

Eligible Ontario Small-and-Medium Enterprises (<500 staff) can receive up to $100k to **de-risk and offset the costs of their product development activities**, including no-cost Dev Site access to validate products.

SME BENEFITS

- Project funding
- No-cost access to cutting-edge Dev Site testing facilities
- Increased momentum for market penetration
- Accelerate and de-risk product development activities
- Network development
- Ecosystem navigation support
- Publicity
- Strategic innovation partners

PROGRAM DETAILS

The **Development and Commercialization Program** provides companies a unique opportunity to accelerate the development & adoption of their critical technology solutions with up to $100k of OCI support and no-cost Dev Site access.

Technology Development Sites (Dev Site) unlock an operational environment that reflect target markets for SMEs to validate their solutions, accelerating their go-to-market timeline within CIT core sectors.

Companies may choose to collaborate with a strategic partner that represents potential for significant commercialization opportunities.

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ELIGIBILITY

- Open to Ontario-based, for-profit, Small-and-Medium-Enterprises (<500 staff)
- SME solution must incorporate at least one of the named Critical Technologies
- Required usage of at least 1 Dev Site
- Up to 6 months of no-cost Dev Site access
- Funding to be matched 1:1 by applicant company
- Optional strategic partner
- Explore the growing roster of Dev Site sites and their testing services online

APPLICANT PROFILE

This program is suitable for companies with critical technology products (fully realized or in-development) that are looking to accelerate commercialization within the core CIT sectors.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The first step is to contact an OCI Business Development Manager (BD) to determine project eligibility and program compatibility. See the Business Development Directory here.

1 Discussion with OCI Business Development Manager

2 Discussion with desired Technology Development Site

3 Submission of online application with BD Manager support

4 OCI Review Process (Internal /External)

5 Decision and next steps

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