

The Transport Department has set up a \$1 billion Smart Traffic Fund to provide funding support for research and application projects on innovation and technology to enhance the convenience, efficiency and safety of the commuting public.

#### **Overview of the Fund**

#### Scope

Support enterprises or organisations to conduct research and application on vehicle-related innovation and technology with at least one of the following objectives:

- enhancing convenience of motorists
- enhancing efficiency of the road network or road space
- improving driving safety

### **Eligibility**

Accept applications from companies, research institutions, professional bodies, trade associations and non-government organisations

Applicants are categorised into corporate sector or public sector

# Maximum Fund's Contribution

50% of the Estimated Project Cost for corporate sector 90% of the Estimated Project Cost for public sector

### Funding Ceiling per Project

Research & Application Project: HK\$20,000,000 Pure Research Project: HK\$8,000,000 (including project audit fee)

# Maximum Number of Projects per Applicant

Applicant can apply for funding for multiple projects However, each project should be distinct

## **Project Duration**

Generally not exceed 24 months

# Submission of Reports

The applicant is required to submit progress report(s) as well as interim report(s) until project completion

On project completion, the applicant is required to submit a final report

# **Submission of Audit Accounts**

The applicant is required to submit annual audited accounts until project completion

On project completion, the applicant is required to submit a final audited account

# Disbursement of Grant

For Public Sector Research Institutions\* -

Project Duration	Instalment	Cumulative Cap (% of the Fund's contribution)
More than 12 months	Initial Payment 1 <sup>st</sup> Interim Payment 2 <sup>nd</sup> Interim Payment Final Payment	40% 70% 95% 100%
12 months or below	Initial Payment Interim Payment Final Payment	40% 95% 100%
For all applicants except the Public Sector Research Institutions* -		
Project Duration	Instalment	Cumulative Cap (% of the Fund's contribution)
All	Initial Payment Interim Payment(s) Final Payment	30% 70% 100%

### **Application Time**

Applications can be submitted all year round

# **Application Submission**

Submit to the Secretariat electronically via email: stf\_sec@hkpc.org

\* Public Sector Research Institutions refer to Automotive Platforms and Application Systems R&D Centre, Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute, Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel, Logistics and Supply Chain MultiTech R&D Centre, Nano and Advanced Materials Institute, and Local Universities funded by University Grants Committee.

### **Enquiries**



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