The Australia-Vietnam Strategic Technologies Centre is thrilled to launch its Call for Proposals, offering a groundbreaking opportunity for talented Vietnamese academics and scientists to pioneer strategic technologies research and real-world applications in collaboration with Australian partners.

05 Exclusive Seed Grants are available to support innovative research projects that will push the boundaries of next-generation connectivity 5G/6G, AI, cybersecurity, by empowered semiconductor and their transformative impact on industries and society. Each successful application will receive seed funding of AUD \$15,000. Candidates can work individually but are encouraged to work in a team and collaboration with Australian partners.

This is your chance to lead breakthrough discoveries, contribute to global innovation, and strengthen Vietnam-Australia research ties in strategic technologies. Apply now and be part of the movement shaping the digital future!

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must be Vietnamese, at least 18 years old, and living in Vietnam.
- Excellent contributions and achievements for the development of Enabling Technologies for Digital Transformation.
- Grants are awarded for research in strategic technologies and related fields, such as AI, 5G/6G, IoT, Semi-conductor, Cyber Security and Privacy, Quantum, Blockchain, and Satellite.

We will prioritize applications with potential impacts, especially in collaboration with industry partners. The candidates must submit the proposal based on the template (next page). Any questions should be sent to jrcvn@uts.edu.au. All documents must be submitted in PDF format (incomplete or late submissions will not be considered). The successful candidate will be informed via email by 8 May 2025 and invited to participate in 2025 Australia-Vietnam Strategic **Technologies** Symposium on Advanced Technologies for the Future of Connectivity to introduce the project on 11-12 June 2025.

Submit proposal via email: ircvn@uts.edu.au with subject: "AVSTC_grant"

For more information email: <u>ircvn@uts.edu.au</u>

DEADLINE: 28 April 2025

EXTENDED/FINAL DEADLINE: 10 May 2025

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PROPOSAL TEMPLATE

Proposal Application Guidelines

1. Applicant's Details

Title: []
Full Name: []
Citizenship of: []
Email Address: []

2. Collaborators in Vietnam's Details

Australian Academic Institution/Organization: []

Collaborator Name: []
Collaborator Position: []
Collaborator Email: []

3. Collaborator's Details in Australia

Australian Academic Institution/Organization: []

Collaborator Name: []
Collaborator Position: []
Collaborator Email: []

4. Academic and Research Background

The R&D contributions of your Master's Degree by Research or PhD Degree or industry's work? (max 200 words)

List evidence of a high-level of industry or academic achievement and your experience? (max 200 words)

5. Project Proposal

Project Title: []

Please provide a well-defined research program, activities, with anticipated outcomes and potential impact (max 1000 words)

Preferred start and end dates (6 months): []

6. Impact and Collaboration

Please detail how this seed grant will benefit Australia-Vietnam Strategic Technologies Collaboration and your potential to foster ongoing collaboration and cooperation between Australia and Vietnam? (max 300 words)

Please detail how the international research would further your academic and/or professional career (max 200 words)

7. Referee Details (optional)

Referee 1 Title: []

Referee 1 Full Name: []

Referee 1 Relationship with applicant: []

Referee 1 Email: []
Referee 1 Position: []
Referee 1 Organization: []

8. Budgeting (for 6 months)

Provide budget and justification for each activity and item (limit to one page).

The grant (up to AU\$15,000) must be used ONLY for R&D purposes directly related to the project activities set out in the approved proposal.

Two thirds of the approved grant will be distributed after signing the contract agreement. The rest will be distributed upon submitting the final report of all deliverables that satisfies the grant committee.

9. Supporting Documents

- CV (up to 5 pages)
- Support Letter from Australia's collaborators
- Support Letters from others (optional), e.g., industry partners, etc.

All applications must include all required supporting documentation (to be combined in a single pdf file in the above order) to be assessed. The application is submitted via email: jrcvn@uts.edu.au with subject: "AVSTC_grant".

10. Privacy and Agreement Statements

Privacy Notice: This application is bound by the provisions of the Privacy Act. Your personal information will only be used for the purposes stated herein.

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