The Enterprise Project Fund

Funding for projects and activities to assess the potential of how academic research fits with the external environment.

What it funds

A package of activities which will leverage external funding and commercial development

Example projects

- Assessing the market for your research as a product/service
- Testing the viability of your idea in practice
- Finding a partner organisation/enterprise to match your expertise to

Example activities

- Market research
- Development of leads (via meetings, workshopping/sandpitting ideas)
- Development of a CPD/summer school programme
- Attendance at industry-specific events

It doesn't fund

- Buying out academic teaching time
- Research activities/technical development
- Attendance at academic events

How much funding is available?

Up to £5,000 per project

What is the application process?

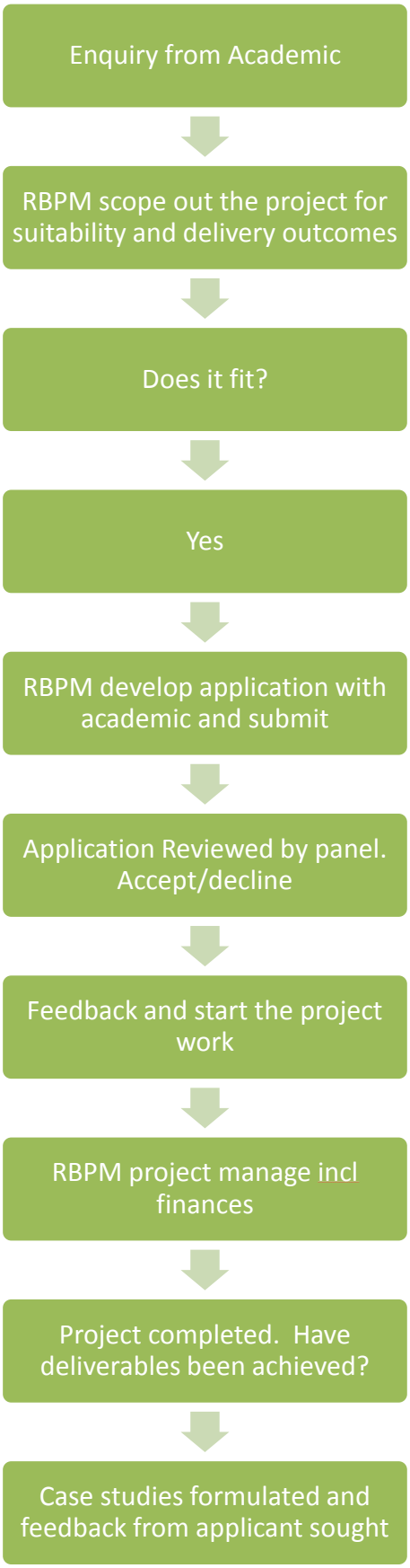
Contact your Knowledge Exchange Manager who will help you scope the project's suitability and outcomes.

Who decides whether my application will be funded?

A panel within the Research and Enterprise Office will assess each application on merit, and will support the delivery of successful applications. Selection criteria will include core capability, deliverability/achievability, strategic fit and sustainability.

How it works

The Process


Enquiry from Academic
RBPM scope out the project for suitability and delivery outcomes
Does it fit?
Yes
RBPM develop application with academic and submit
Application Reviewed by panel. Accept/decline
Feedback and start the project work
RBPM project manage incl finances
Project completed. Have deliverables been achieved?
Case studies formulated and feedback from applicant sought