



ActewAGL Endowment Fund 2024 Call for Expressions of Interest

ANU is seeking concept proposals from ANU researchers who wish to build partnerships with ActewAGL to work on key challenges of renewable energy.

Through the generosity of the ActewAGL Endowment Fund, ANU is calling for researchers to propose research projects related to ActewAGL's energy priority areas listed below. The research proposals are to have potential to transfer knowledge and expertise across disciplines and sectors, and create opportunities to work on larger joint projects.¹ Recipients will be expected to participate in outreach and engagement activities in the renewable energy sector.

The 2024 EOI will focus on the below priority areas relevant to the strategic objectives of ActewAGL:

1. Understanding electrification readiness in the ACT and factors such as consumer education, awareness, perceptions, empowerment, and cultural and social barriers.
 - ActewAGL Retail are conducting a pilot project in an ACT suburb to explore electrification readiness. Additional social research opportunities exist to further investigate factors that contribute to household electrification in the ACT in the context of the broader energy transition.
2. Consumer attitudes, behaviours and perceptions relating to the energy transition and energy retailing including, but not limited to:
 - Tariffs
 - Home solar systems
 - Electric vehicle adoption
 - Controllable load
 - Home electrification
 - Equitable transition

About the EOI 2024 Round

- Open to ANU researchers
- Funding up to a total of \$135,000 is available for this round
- It is preferred to allocate all or about to a single research proposal to the value of \$135,000
- Funding can be used for student stipends, salary, direct research costs and field studies
- Research activities are expected to commence in the first half of 2025
- Research activities are to be between 6 months to 2 years duration.

¹ The ActewAGL Endowment Fund was established in 2009 with a donation of one million dollars from ActewAGL. The Endowment Fund is ANU managed and distributed under ANU delegation, and therefore cannot count as an industry cash contribution in external funding proposals.

Stage One: Call for EoIs

The purpose of the Stage One Eoi is to seek information that will allow the Endowment Fund Committee (comprising ANU and ActewAGL staff) to assess alignment with strategic priorities of ActewAGL and ANU, and to identify project champions within ActewAGL to support and enhance delivery of the project outcomes.

If you would like to apply, please complete the attached 2-page concept call form and return to: innovation@anu.edu.au

The submission deadline is 10th December, 2024

A second stage will invite greater detail, including the approach and methodology, a project plan to be developed in consultation with your ActewAGL project champion, and budget to be submitted with the approval of your local delegate.

ANU and ActewAGL value diversity and inclusion and are committed to increasing the participation of women in non-traditional fields. Female researchers as well as researchers from diverse backgrounds, including Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islanders, people with disabilities, people from culturally diverse backgrounds and all ages are encouraged to apply.

ActewAGL Endowment Fund 2024 Stage One Eoi Call

submit to innovation@anu.edu.au by close of business 10th December, 2024

Section 1: Research Proposal Overview	
Q1. Principle Investigator	
Q2. College and School	
Q3. Project Title	
Q4. Proposed Research Team Please provide names and roles of key members of the proposed research team and how their experience and expertise relates to the proposed research project.	Principle Investigator name: Relevant experience/expertise: Team member name: Relevant experience/expertise:

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Section 2: Project Detail

Q5. Please give a summary of your proposed project (approx. 250 words)

Q6. Please elaborate on the significance and innovation of your approach (approx. 250 words)

Section 3. Partnership Potential

Q7. Please identify the relevance of your proposal to ActewAGL strategic objectives.

Which of the ActewAGL strategic priority areas is best aligned to your research proposal?

(approx. 250 words)

Q8. Please identify how ActewAGL could contribute to the delivery of your intended outcomes (approx. 100 words)

Section 4. Communication

Q9. Please describe how you intend to share information regarding project outcomes (approx. 100 words)

Contact: innovation@anu.edu.au