**WorldSkills UK Centre of Excellence Innovation Funding 2025–2026***Industry and Education Partnerships Supporting Dual Professionalism*

This document is intended to help you prepare your responses before completing the [official application form](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=2uNngVGMHEefNDJpiAU9Co8_l8uRZghNsn06BLSGZ5FUN1RIUFJIRlZTRTc3SlVPSFZHNzdNMTZXMy4u) with maximum word counts.

**Submission Deadline:** Please submit your completed proposal by 10:00am on 5 June 2025 using the designated [application form](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=2uNngVGMHEefNDJpiAU9Co8_l8uRZghNsn06BLSGZ5FUN1RIUFJIRlZTRTc3SlVPSFZHNzdNMTZXMy4u)

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**SECTION 1: Applicant and Partner Details**

**Lead Organisation Name**

**Lead Contact Name**

**Lead Contact Email**

**Partner Organisation(s) Name(s)** *Please list all partner institutions (education and employer) involved in the project.*

**Sector Focus** *(Multiple choice – select one or more)*

* Advanced Manufacturing
* Engineering
* Digital

**Confirmation of Eligibility** *In order to be eligible for funding, you must select ‘Yes’ to all three questions below*

* Are you a registered member of the WorldSkills UK Centre of Excellence?
* Do you have senior leadership support from all partners?
* Does your project include at least one confirmed employer/industry partner?

**SECTION 2: Project Proposal**

**Project Summary** *Provide a short overview summarising your project (150 words)*

**Trial Innovative Methods** *How will your project trial new approaches to integrating classroom teaching and workplace learning in your chosen sector(s)? (200 words)*

**Maintain Technical Currency** *How will you ensure occupational educators undertake immersive industry placements or activities that maintain their technical knowledge and skills? (200 words)*

**Build Pedagogical Expertise** *How will you support industry mentors to develop their teaching and assessment skills, aligned with WorldSkills UK’s methodologies? (200 words)*

**Measure Impact** *Please outline your evaluation approach, including how you will capture baseline and endline data, stakeholder feedback, and KPIs to measure success. (200 words)*

**Demonstrate Scalability** *Describe the potential for scaling your model to other sectors or regions. What are the enablers/barriers, and how will you share your learning? (200 words)*

**Project Timeline and Milestones** *Provide a summary of key milestones and delivery activities from June 2025 to September 2026. (200 words)*

**Equity, Diversity & Inclusion** *How will your project embed principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion in its design and delivery? (200 words)*

**SECTION 3: Declaration**

**Senior Leadership Confirmation** I confirm that all partners have senior leadership support for this proposal.

**Declaration** I confirm that the information provided in this application is accurate and that all partners are aware of the submission.