



GIDI: Commercial Buildings

Applicant & Supplier Briefing
26 September 2023

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- **Live Q&A** will be open **throughout** the session – we will keep an eye on what comes through and answer as many questions as possible at the end of the presentation.
- Both **mics and cameras** will be disabled for duration of the webinar
- The **webinar is being recorded** and will be made available in the coming days
- We expect this webinar to run about **45mins**
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GIDI: Commercial Buildings

- GIDI: Commercial Buildings launched 1 July 2023.
- Provides grant funding to commercial building owners for **space and water heating projects** over \$300k.
- Funding is for **replacement** of water and space heating with cleaner, more energy efficient tech.
- Applications funded on a **first-in-first-served** basis and will be open until **30 June 2024**, if not fully expended prior.
- **Eligibility and assessment criteria** are largely the same as GIDI Industrial.
- Business-As-Usual during election period and until advised by incoming Minister.



Minimum Funding Conditions

1. Minimum project size \$300,000 – Can involve multiple sites
2. Government co-funding up to 50% of eligible project cost
3. Funding **incremental capitalised project costs**, not operating costs
4. Projects must be fully commissioned and operational within two years of the project being approved by EECA
5. New Zealand-based and NZBN registered private sector businesses and local government
6. Delivered in New Zealand
7. Full and complete application.

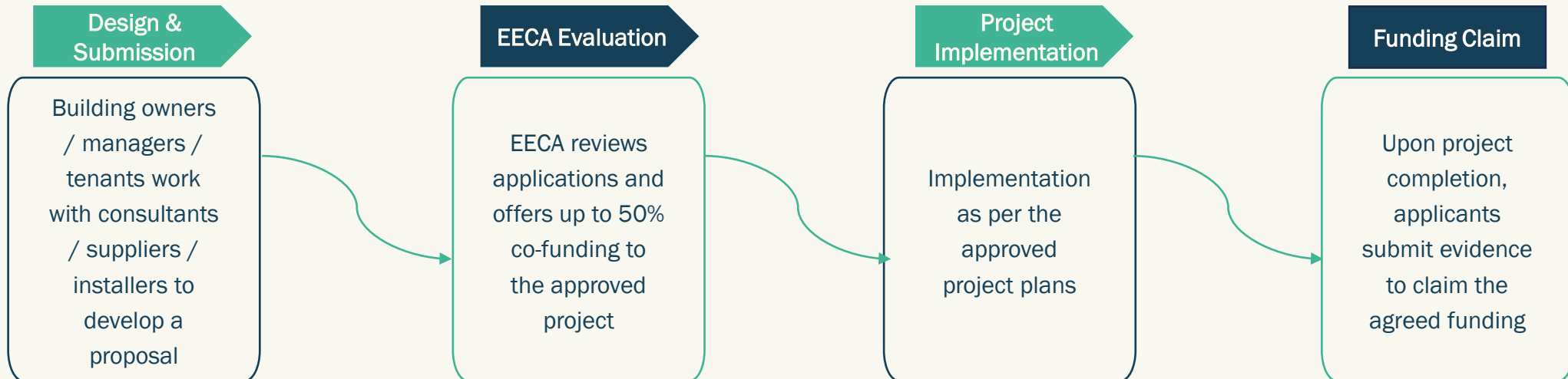
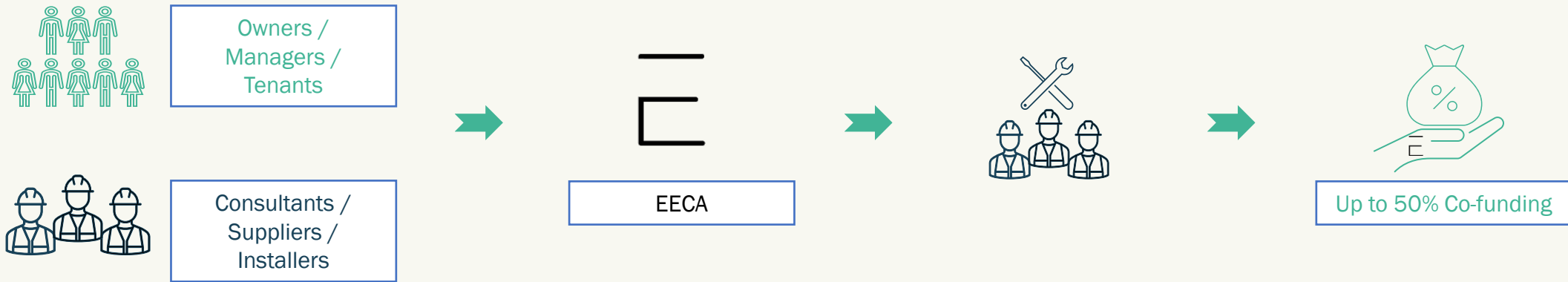


Key documents

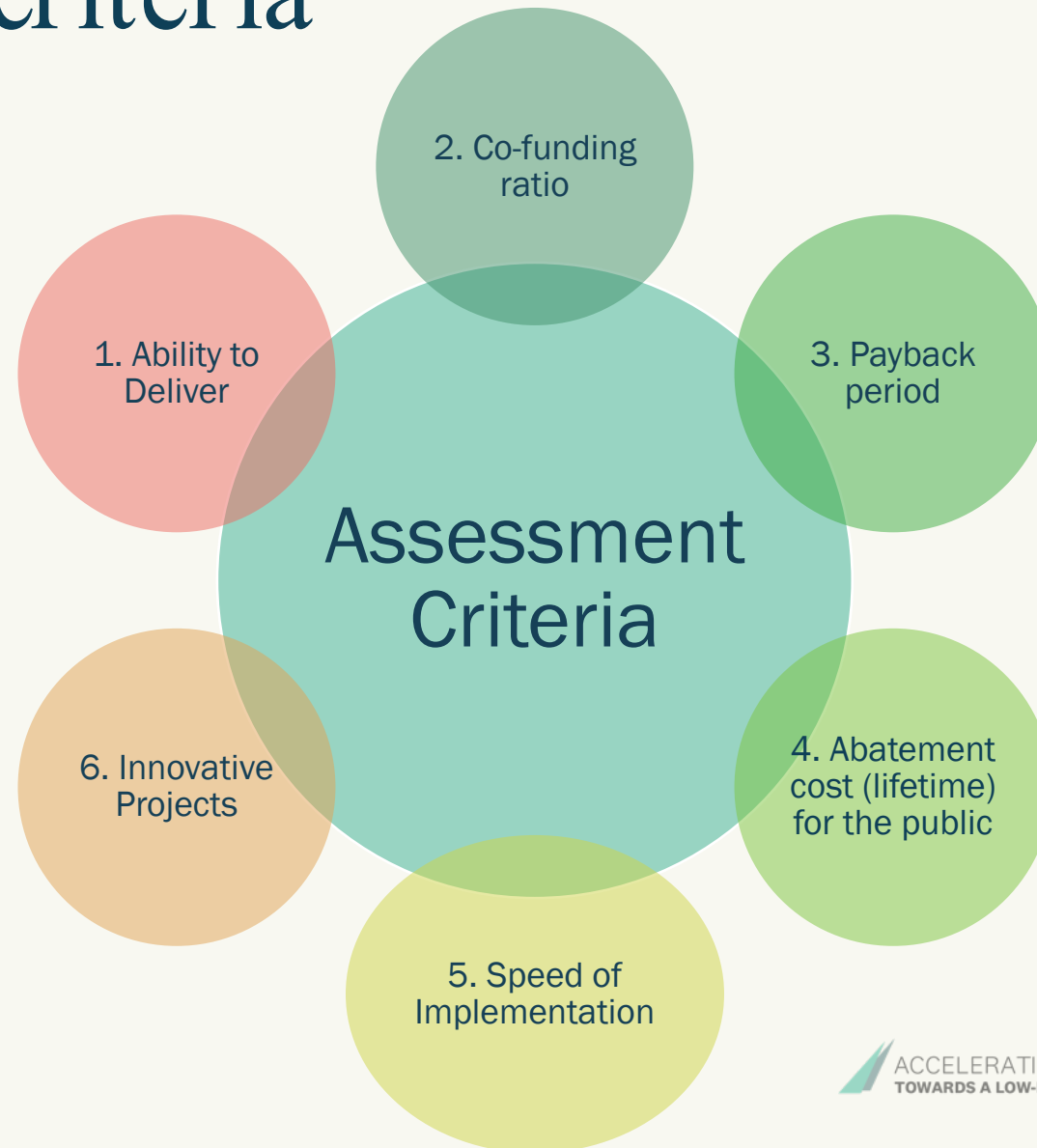
- Application documents:
 - Applicant Guide
 - Business Case Checklist
 - FAQs
 - Application Form
 - Financial Assessment Template
 - Proposed Funding Agreement (contract)



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Assessment criteria

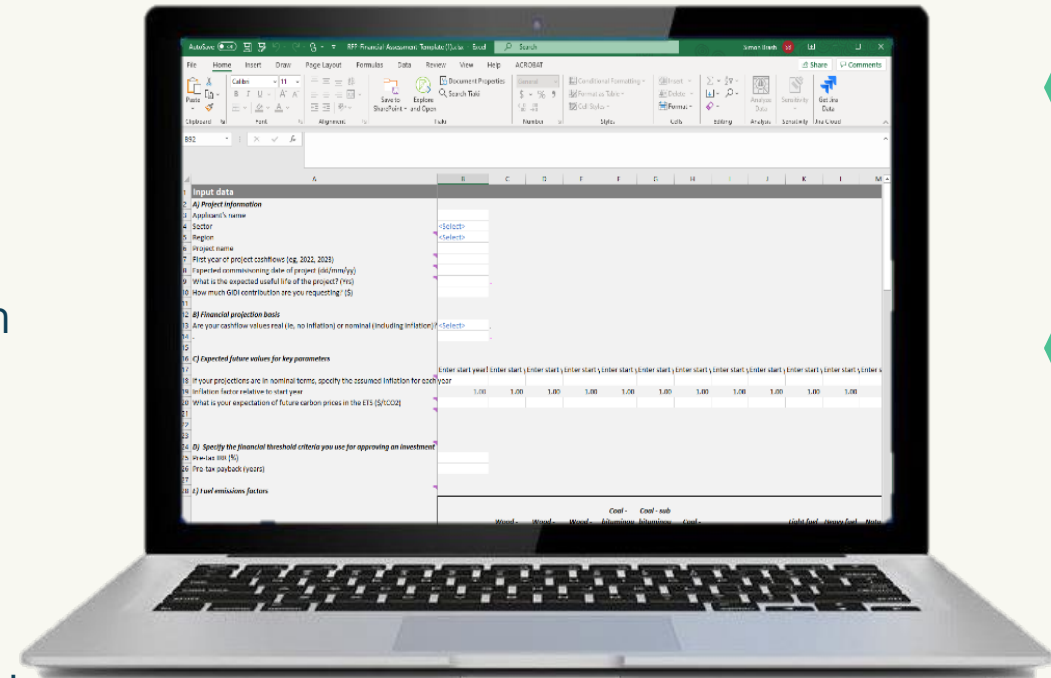


The Financial Assessment Template (FAT)

- You'll want to check this out early in the process, as some data needed in the Application Form is calculated for you in the Financial Assessment Template
- Upload completed template to the Application Form
- The FAT enables EECA to evaluate all projects on a like-for-like basis

The evaluation:

- Estimates CO2 abatement costs for both applicants and EECA
- Helps us understand project economics and the case for funding
- Provides evidence for project additionality
- Tests for 'unusual' cost assumptions



Abatement cost - \$/tonne

- EECA's financial evaluation of projects considers the abatement cost to business, and the abatement cost to society.
- These abatement costs are assessed against:
 - Cost of carbon to business – i.e. the ETS cost
 - Cost of carbon to society – using values provided by the NZ Treasury
- The financial evaluation also considers:
 - The discount rate for business – based on cost of capital or required IRR
 - The discount rate for society – using values provided by the NZ Treasury
- Societal carbon costs are higher than those for businesses, while societal discount rates are lower than those for businesses
- Together, these establish a preferred envelope for GIDI funding: Projects which are, without GIDI co-funding, NPV negative from a business perspective, but NPV positive from a social perspective.
- If these things aren't true, be ready to provide evidence for why we should still support the project – capital constraints, novel technical risk, flow on benefits, industrial allocation, etc.

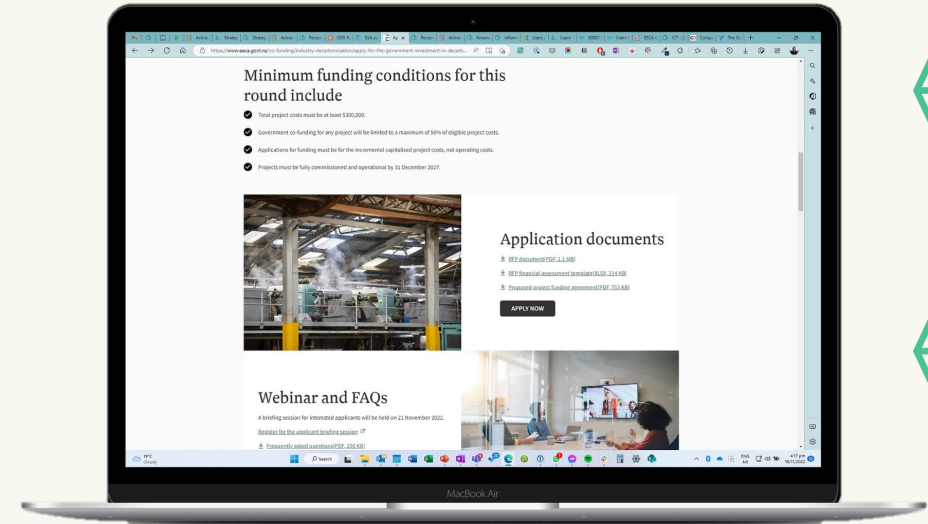


Questions from the floor



Ready to apply?

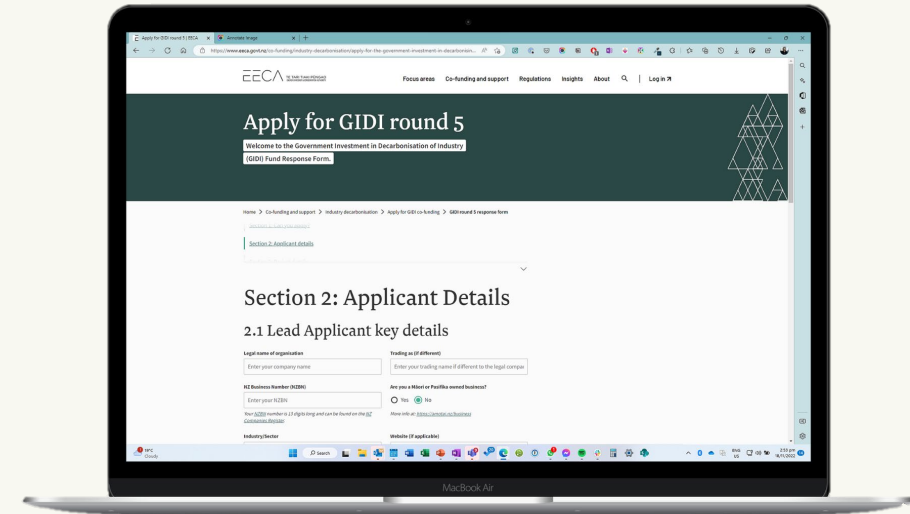
1. Go to <https://www.eeca.govt.nz/co-funding/industry-decarbonisation/gdi-commercial-buildings/>
2. Read the Applicant Guide in full, pay close attention to the Investment Principles & make sure your Proposal meets the Minimum Funding Conditions and that you can respond to the Application Requirements.
3. Click **APPLY NOW**
4. Fill in the online Application Form, remember to have your Financial Assessment Template, business case, and your project plan ready so these can be uploaded with the Application Form.
5. Submit your Application Form at any time, when your proposal is ready.



Tips for using the online application form

Pay close attention to the ‘tips for using this online form’ on the welcome page

- It’s long – get in early and familiarise yourself with how it works.
- We have made a Word version of the Application Form available on the Welcome page for reference and drafting with your team.
- Choose an ‘Application Form Owner’ – someone to own the application process on your side.
- Save as you go – when you click ‘save’ you will receive a unique link. Use this link to access your form from then on. The form saves every time you navigate between pages.
- One at a time – if multiple people go in at the same time you risk overwriting each other’s work.
- If you accidentally close the browser tab, pushing Ctrl-Shift-T will reopen it.



FAQs

Can multiple sites be combined into one application for GIDI: Commercial Buildings?

Yes, you can combine multiple sites into one project, and one application form, if the individual site level projects are similar. That is, if the applicant intends to install the same technology, with the same end use, transitioning all away from the same initial fuel type. The project should be highly replicable across sites and be undertaken within a similar timeline.

Is work to the electricity network within the scope of the fund?

Yes – distribution network work is in scope of the GIDI fund if required to enable the heating plant replacement. However, you need to have good information from your network about the cost and timing of this before applying. If the assets affected are shared ones, make sure you ask your network how the work could be optimised and if they would benefit from talking to EECA about GIDI Infrastructure support.

We are developing an extensive list of FAQs – check the [GIDI: Commercial Building page](#)



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Does a tenant need a landlord's consent?

Yes, just like your bank, we will need evidence that you have the right to do this work and that you've got all the consents you need to get going. A letter or copy of your lease should usually be enough.

What funding options are available for projects under \$300k?

The GIDI: Clean Tech Hot Water Heat Pump programme focuses on smaller hot water heat pump systems with output between 15-50kw, replacing existing califont instant/on demand hot water type boilers and/or providing new heat pumps to operate with existing combustions boilers (hybrid systems) for commercial buildings. The maximum total project cost for this programme is \$150k.

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