

Overview of Innovative Programmes administered by Intermediaries Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Fund



Programme		Innovator Farm (IF Program)	Impact Incubator	Good Seed	BEHub
Intermediary		Fullness Social Enterprises Society Ltd (FSES)	Hong Kong Council of Social Service (HKCSS)	PolyU Technology and Consultancy Co Ltd (PolyU)	The Society of Rehabilitation and Crime Prevention, Hong Kong (SRACP)
Eligibility of applicant	Main target	Young people	Hong Kong permanent residents and legal entities registered in Hong Kong	Students or graduates of higher education institutions in and outside Hong Kong with Hong Kong residency	Disadvantaged groups or individuals with no bankruptcy order or proceedings during the application
	Age	15-25, some team members can be above 25	18 or above	Non-specific	18 or above
	Individual	-	✓	✓	✓
	Team	✓ (Team of 3 to 6)	-	-	✓
	Organisation	-	✓	✓	✓
Stage of innovation development supported	Idea Generation	✓	-	✓	✓
	Prototype	✓	✓ (Late prototype)	✓	✓
	Start-up	✓	✓ (Including start-up and growing)	-	✓
	Scale-up	-	✓	-	-
Specific target beneficiaries		Non-specific	Non-specific	Non-specific	Disadvantaged population
Amount of grant	Idea Generation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Prototype	HK\$50,000 - 100,000	Up to HK\$300,000 (Late prototype)	Up to HK\$200,000	Up to HK\$100,000
	Start-up	Above HK\$100,000	No pre-defined ceiling (Including start-up and growing)	N/A	Up to HK\$100,000
	Scale-up	N/A	No pre-defined ceiling	N/A	N/A
Working space support		Working hub (IF hub)	-	-	-
Application period	2020	2 cohorts (exact date to be confirmed)	Four rounds in a year with deadlines at end of every March, June, September and December	Cohort 1 in Q1; Cohort 2 in Q3	Idea generation : at 2-month intervals (September 2020 - March 2023) Prototype : at 4-month intervals (September 2020 - January 2023) Start-up : at 4-month intervals (September 2020 - January 2023)
	2021	2 cohorts (exact date to be confirmed)		Cohort 3 in Q1; Cohort 4 in Q3	
	2022	N/A		Cohort 5 in Q1	
Main objectives		Innovator Farm (IF Program) provides young people with the necessary nutrition and environment to unleash their innate ability and inspire them to develop innovative ideas and creative solutions for tackling social problems and addressing the needs of underprivileged in Hong Kong. A physical co-working hub, IF Hub, will also be provided so as to enable them to learn and grow their social innovation dreams and explore all feasibilities through experimenting the "what if's".	The programme provides a one-stop platform that supports and incubates innovative projects in various stages, and connects social entrepreneurs to knowledge, resources and networks of social welfare agencies, social enterprises, philanthropic foundations, business associations, professional bodies, etc. This platform helps social entrepreneurs implement innovative solutions to address poverty and social exclusion problems in Hong Kong and drive sustainable impact.	The programme helps students and alumni of higher education institutions unleash their innate ability for innovation and develop creative solutions to tackle social problems and address the needs of the underprivileged in Hong Kong.	The programme empowers disadvantaged population or public through participation in social innovation programmes as social innovators (SIs) for alleviation of poverty and social exclusion of the disadvantaged population.
Unique features	An interactive and transformative approach to educate young people on social entrepreneurship and social innovation, so as to develop their high order thinking and awareness of poverty issues		Support for social innovation projects of various stages	Target students and alumni of higher education institutions who are new to social innovation	A theme-based programme covering issues faced by the disadvantaged population
	A friendly and supportive environment for young social innovators and companionship on their journey		Needs-based all-round incubation support	Structured training through interactive and action-oriented approach with design, technology and business concepts as focus	Competitions, briefing sessions and experiential workshops on different themes concerning disadvantaged population issues for potential SIs
	A series of incubation services taking the forms of experimental learning, coaching, customised training, peer group learning, alumni support, etc. will be provided to participants		Impact question bank and impact assessment support scheme	Experts from different sectors and professions to provide tailored mentorship	Customised support and trainings to SIs
	A physical co-working hub, IF Hub, will be provided for young social entrepreneurs to learn and grow together with peers		Pre-selected consultants to offer 1-month pre-vetting incubation support to shortlisted applicants		
Major support provided	Systematic yet playful social entrepreneurship training and tailor-made coaching for project incubation		1-month pre-vetting incubation support to shortlisted applicants provided by pre-selected consultants	Social Innovators' Classroom - equips participants with the knowledge and skills to develop innovative solutions	Service visits, experiential workshops, interviews with service users and social workers
	6 to 24 months' incubation with coaching and peer support		Assistance to social entrepreneurs in social impact assessment by means of an impact question bank and impact assessment support scheme	Idea Competition - participants to submit innovative solutions to compete for project funding to turn the solutions into prototypes	Individual consultations, professional implementation team support, advisory and mentoring services, project monitoring and regular Business Network Meetings
	Access to the physical co-working hub, IF Hub, during incubation period		Needs-based all-round incubation support including topic-specific training, external networking opportunities and individual bespoke consultation	Project Implementation - with support of PolyU, NGOs and mentors from the design and other relevant industry sectors	
	Opportunities to pitch funders, partners and/or customers				
Chances to network with stakeholders from social, business, education, government and other sectors					
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