



Innovate UK



Global Incubator Programme

AgriFood - Singapore

Calling agrifood innovators ready to scale in Singapore your Gateway to Asia

In partnership with  GROW

Ready to scale your business?

Innovate UK's Global Incubator Programme is an acceleration programme for innovative companies to work with world-leading incubators abroad. We are now accepting applications for up to 8 innovative SMEs in the agrifood and innovative food and beverage sectors to join our programme with GROW in Singapore.

The programme will be delivered virtually and include up to two visits to Singapore.

Why Singapore?

Since 2019, Singapore has nurtured a vibrant global ecosystem for agri-food tech companies to build their ventures and scale up quickly through a strong funding presence, cutting-edge regulatory frameworks, and robust private-public partnerships. The state has been especially active in supporting industry transformation towards being highly productive, climate-resilient, and sustainable, allocating over S\$309m to urban food production, future foods, and food safety research and innovation projects. International startups are undoubtedly capitalizing on local opportunities and using Singapore to open access to opportunities in Asia, as regional spending on food is set to double to over S\$10.65 trillion by 2030.

Why work with GROW?

GROW is an ecosystem catalyst advancing innovation, sustainability, and resilience in the food system.

We're on a mission to inspire and accelerate extraordinary founders developing technology solutions that positively impact people, places, and the planet.

Through our fund and accelerator programmes we work with startups to supercharge their growth on the global stage. For more information about GROW, visit gogrow.co

Key Dates

Application
Deadline
21 Jun
2024

Shortlist
Interviews
11 - 12 Jul
2024

Market Visit
Immersion
18 Nov
2024

Incubation
Programme
Sept 2024 -
Mar 2025

Market Visit
Showcase
Mar
2025



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What to expect:

- **Coaching and Mentoring** - 1:1 support and group support by GROW and our a network of agrifood experts, mentors, and industry partners.
- **Group Learning and Workshops** - Interactive online sessions with industry experts to tackle any internationalisation challenge.
- **Showcase Opportunities** - Exposure to strategic partners and support in building a strong Singapore business network.
- **Resources** - Access to community of trusted professional service providers to help you fast-track your expansion into the region.
- **Build a local team** - GROW can support your company with the EntrePass visa application (into Singapore) and help your company establish a local presence or incorporate in Singapore.
- **Community** - Plug into Singapore's agrifood ecosystem through two funded market visits.

What is the cost?

Innovate UK will fund and organise flights, accommodation, in-market travel, and any additional fees for successful applicants. Only one representative from each company will be funded. On acceptance to the initiative a commitment fee of £2000 will be obtained from each delegate, which will be refunded on completion of the full activities and agreed action plan. Non-completion after formal acceptance may result in forfeiting some or all the commitment fee.

How to apply:

The Global Incubator Programme has a competitive application process where only the best applications will be successful following an evaluation process. Those shortlisted will be interviewed by a panel and finalists will undergo financial eligibility checks. All applications must be made online through the Innovate UK Business Growth website and received no later than 23:45 on **21 June 2024**. To support potential applicants, a Global Incubator Programme briefing will take place on **08 May 2024**.

Please note: Successful applicants will be expected to fully comply with any conditions of travel to Singapore.

Innovate UK is committed to improving the diversity of who we support. As such we welcome applications from those under-represented in the agrifood sector.

Additional information & assistance:

Click [here](#) for the application form or [here](#) to register for the briefing event. For more information and assistance with your application or to discuss accessibility needs, please contact; Ian Holmes at Ian.Holmes@innovateukedge.ukri.org.



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To Apply for this programme you must:

Be a UK based company

Be a business with fewer than 250 employees

Be an agrifood or innovation food & beverage business

We welcome applications that focus on, but not limited to:

Precision agriculture and aquaculture

Food production optimisation & waste valorisation

Food science, functional ingredients production & bioprocess

Sustainable biomaterials (inc. packaging)

Carbon market solutions

Artificial Intelligence and digital transformation