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HOW TO GET STARTED

If you think you have a disruptive technology with commercial potential. Then join the community of vibrant entrepreneurial researchers.

Apply online for access to the three-phase program.

1. Phase I Venture Exploration Workshop*, successful applicants will be enrolled in a 16-week program comprising training through fundamentals of the Adaptive Innovation™ Framework and dedicated mentorship to help prepare their application for Phase II.
2. Phase II Venture Design Funding (S$ 300,000)
3. Phase III Venture Execution Funding (S$ 500,000)

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Note: Acceptance into the Phase I program does not guarantee an award for Phase II and Phase III funding grants.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 31st of August 2024

For more information, please contact IGINFO@smart.mit.edu or visit our website: https://smart.mit.edu/innovation-centre/our-program/innovation-2-0

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