

## Aquaculture Funding and Assistance Programs

The information on aquaculture funding assistance programs is divided into five sections:

- Business;
- Markets and Marketing;
- Infrastructure;
- Research and Development; and
- Miscellaneous.

Each section outlines financial and non-financial assistance programs that are available, summarises the objective of each of these programs and provides contact details, so further information can be obtained by would-be applicants. It is important to note that whilst the Department of Fisheries has endeavoured to compile a complete set of funding and assistance sources, there may be some omissions. As such we encourage you to use the other valuable sources of information available on the web, for example *GrantLink* (see below).

PROGRAM	FOR MORE INFORMATION
Grants and assistance programs for regional and metropolitan communities, businesses and local governments	Website: <a href="http://www.dlgrd.wa.gov.au/pub/docs/FAD2002/grdirectory.pdf">http://www.dlgrd.wa.gov.au/pub/docs/FAD2002/grdirectory.pdf</a>
GrantLink	Website: <a href="http://www.grantslink.gov.au">http://www.grantslink.gov.au</a>
The Rural Book 2001	Commonwealth Government Information Service GPO Box 594 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone: 1800 026 222 Download a copy from the internet: <a href="http://www.dotrs.gov.au/regional/pub">http://www.dotrs.gov.au/regional/pub</a>
Commonwealth and State Government Programs Supporting Innovation in Firms	For copies, contact: Innovation Systems Research and Evaluation Department of Industry, Science and Resources GPO Box 9839 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone: (02) 6213 7352 Download a copy from the internet: <a href="http://www.isr.gov.au/industry/innovation/programs.pdf">http://www.isr.gov.au/industry/innovation/programs.pdf</a>
Australian Government's Business Entry Point	Website: <a href="http://www.business.gov.au">http://www.business.gov.au</a>
Commonwealth Government programs relevant to the fishing and aquaculture industries.	Compiled by Aquaculture Section, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) Tel: (02) 6272 5918 Fax: (02) 6272 4875 E-mail: <a href="mailto:fisheries@affa.gov.au">fisheries@affa.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.daff.gov.au/docs/fisheries">http://www.daff.gov.au/docs/fisheries</a>

## Business

### *New Business Financial Support Programs*

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVE	FOR MORE INFORMATION
Feasibility Study Fund	For organisations seeking funding to conduct a feasibility study into the viability of establishing a Small Business Incubator	Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46 Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a>
New Industries Development Program (NIDP)	The main activity of the program is to provide funding assistance for the ‘pilot commercialisation’ of new agribusiness products and services.	Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46 Email: <a href="mailto:nidp@daff.gov.au">nidp@daff.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.daff.gov.au/agribiz">http://www.daff.gov.au/agribiz</a>
New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS)	Helps eligible unemployed people to establish their own small business. The package includes training in small business management; business skills and business plan development. During the first year of business operation it also provides income support and on-going business advice and mentor support.	Contact: Centrelink Phone: 13 10 21 Website: <a href="http://www.centrelink.gov.au">http://www.centrelink.gov.au</a>

### *Established Business Financial Support Programs*

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVE	FOR MORE INFORMATION
Department of Industry & Regional Development (DITARD)	Funds marine industry workshops, seminars, conferences. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 150 per cent tax concession for R&amp;D, including syndication.</li> <li>• Competitive grants for industry-based R&amp;D</li> <li>• National teaching company scheme.</li> </ul>	Contact: GPO Box 9839 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone: (02) 6276 1000
Pooled Development Funds program (PDF)	Promotes the establishment of private sector venture capital funds that provide long term equity investments in small to medium-sized Australian companies that are expanding production or markets.  The establishment of PDFs is encouraged by giving tax concessions to both the PDFs	Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46 Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a>

	and their shareholders. Companies undertaking innovation may be eligible, but this is not a necessary criterion.	
--	--	--

*Non-financial Assistance*

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVE	FOR MORE INFORMATION
Invest Australia	<p>Located within the Department of Industry, Science and Resources, Invest Australia, in partnership with AusTrade, has the task of promoting Australia as an attractive and competitive investment location and facilitating both domestic and foreign direct investment. Invest Australia facilitates major projects and provides a diverse range of key investor services to foreign and domestic companies considering establishing or investing in operations within Australia.</p> <p>The services of its Investment Commissioners in eleven overseas locations are provided under an agreement with the Australian Trade Commission (AusTrade), while the Invest Australia's offices in Sydney and Melbourne are staffed jointly by AusTrade and the Department.</p>	<p>Contact: Invest Australia Level 6, 20 Allara Street Canberra City ACT 2601 Phone: (02) 6213 6700 Phone: 1800 623 261 Fax: (02) 6213 6705 Internet: <a href="http://www.investaustralia.gov.au">http://www.investaustralia.gov.au</a></p>
Small Business Development Corporation (SBDC)	Various programs, including small business guarantee scheme.	<p>Contact: Small Business Development Corporation 553 Hay st Perth WA 6000 Phone: 9220 0222 Fax: 9221 1132 Email: <a href="mailto:mike@sbdc.com.au">mike@sbdc.com.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.sbdc.com.au">http://www.sbdc.com.au</a></p>
Business Enterprise Centres	Foster the establishment and development of successful businesses throughout Australia by providing free or low-cost independent and confidential counselling, support and other practical assistance to new and existing small business proprietors.	<p>Contact Small Business Development Corporation 553 Hay st Perth WA 6000 Phone: 9220 0222 Fax: 9221 1132 Email: <a href="mailto:mike@sbdc.com.au">mike@sbdc.com.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.sbdc.com.au">http://www.sbdc.com.au</a></p> <p>Or dial 1800 093 340 for the location of you nearest Business Enterprise Centre.</p>
Business Entry Point	This is a central point for acquiring the government information to set up and run your small business.	<p>Contact: 13 28 46 Website: <a href="http://www.business.gov.au">http://www.business.gov.au</a></p>

BizLink	<p>BizLink is the major product of the National Business Information Service. It is designed to provide small business and business advisers with easy access to comprehensive, relevant and up-to-date information on business regulation and assistance. It does this by providing information on all licences, permits and codes of practice required for business to operate.</p> <p>It also contains essential information on important business-related issues such as taxation, record keeping, superannuation, occupational health and safety, customs, intellectual property and workplace relations.</p>	<p>Contact: BizLink is available through key government business portals such as the Business Entry Point (<a href="http://www.business.gov.au">http://www.business.gov.au</a>) and the AusIndustry web site.</p>
Business Information and Licence Centre	A one-stop source of business licence and general information relating to small business	Contact: Small Business Development Corporation (see above for contact details).
Business Information Service	Simplifies small business access to government information including licence, employer obligations, taxation and business assistance programs	<p>Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46 Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a></p>
AusIndustry	Provides business with a direct line to government for development and support. Through a national delivery network it provides industry with accurate, high quality business information and referral services and delivers government business support programs to small and medium sized enterprises	<p>Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46 Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a></p>
Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Provides WA members with services relating to information, documentation, export trade promotion and secretariat, as well as international trade centre membership	<p>Contact: 190 Hay Street EAST PERTH WA 6004 Phone: (08) 9421 7555 Website: <a href="http://www.cciwa.asn.au">http://www.cciwa.asn.au</a></p>
Department of Industry and Technology	Focuses on industry, trade and regional development and provides a variety of services, including information, advice and financial assistance.	<p>Contact: Department of Industry and Technology Phone: (08) 9481 2525, or Freecall: 1800 199 251 Email: <a href="mailto:gatewaywa@commerce.wa.gov.au">gatewaywa@commerce.wa.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.commerce.indtech.wa.gov.au/industries/kflash/index.htm">http://www.commerce.indtech.wa.gov.au/industries/kflash/index.htm</a></p>

Department of Primary Industry & Energy (DPIE).	Export marketing skills program Agri-Business program (includes marketing). Rural access program for non-profit community groups.	Contact: GPO Box 858 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone(02) 6272 4156
Department of Employment, Education & Training (DEET).	Helps unemployed start new businesses and provides an income support	Contact: GPO Box 9880 PERTH WA 6000 Phone: (08) 9429 3748 Website: <a href="http://www.deet.gov.au/">http://www.deet.gov.au/</a>
AusTrade	Provides services to Australian companies to reduce the time, risk and cost of exporting. Specific services include an export hotline, expert counselling, market research, information on opportunities and the provision of financial assistance.	Contact: AusTrade Hotline 13 28 78. Website: <a href="http://www.austrade.gov.au">http://www.austrade.gov.au</a>
Western Australian Trade Enquiry Service	A clearing house for international trade enquiries and business opportunities received by the International Trade Centre, the Chamber of Commerce and Industry, AusTrade and the Department of Commerce and Trade.	Contact: Group Manager, Trade Services Chamber of Commerce and Industry Phone: (08) 9365 7684.
International Trade Centre Service (ITC)	A 'first-base' information and referral centre for exporters and importers. The ITC provides an information and advisory service on all aspects of international business, including export and import procedures and documentation, overseas market information and contacts for foreign buyers and suppliers. It houses a comprehensive library with business directories, journals, catalogues and other publications for most countries.	Contact: Import Assistance Group Manager Chamber of Commerce and Industry Website: <a href="http://www.ciwa.asn.au">http://www.ciwa.asn.au</a>
Enterprise Development Services	Offers a range of enterprise development services to help small and medium sized firms improve their international competitiveness. Provides access to expert assistance to diagnose, plan and improve their performance through a comprehensive range of information, referral and advisory services.	Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46 Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a>

<p>Regional Development Commissions</p>	<p>There are nine Regional Development Commissions. Their role is further detailed in their enabling legislation, the <i>Regional Development Commissions Act 1993</i>.</p> <p>The objectives of the Regional Development Commissions are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximise job creation for people working in regional WA;</li> <li>• Develop and broaden each region's economic base;</li> <li>• Identify and promote the provision of infrastructure; services to enhance economic and social development;</li> <li>• Identify and encourage regional investment opportunities;</li> <li>• Provide information and advice to enhance business development;</li> <li>• Seek to ensure that regional government services are comparable to the metropolitan area; and</li> <li>• Facilitate coordination between relevant agencies aimed at economic and social development outcomes.</li> </ul> <p>Your local Regional Development Commission may be able to help your economic development initiative. Contact them direct.</p>	<p>Contact: Regional Development Division  Department of Industry and Technology  168-170 St Georges Terrace, PERTH 6000  (PO Box 7234, Cloisters Square PERTH 6850)  Phone: (08) 9327 5666  Fax: (08) 9327 5921  Freecall: 1800 628 767 (for country callers)  Website: <a href="http://www.regional.wa.gov.au">http://www.regional.wa.gov.au</a>  Website:  <a href="http://www.regional.wa.gov.au/contacts.asp#com">http://www.regional.wa.gov.au/contacts.asp#com</a></p>
<p>Regional Economic Information</p>	<p>You can gain a strong and comprehensive insight into the industry, business outlook and economic performance of non-metropolitan regions. For the prospective investor, this data can be valuable.</p>	<p>Contact: Department of Local Government and Regional Development.</p> <p>Department of Industry and Technology  168-170 St Georges Terrace, PERTH 6000  (PO Box 7234, Cloisters Square PERTH 6850)  Phone: (08) 9327 5666  Fax: (08) 9327 5921  Freecall: 1800 628 767 (for country callers)  Website:  <a href="http://www.regional.wa.gov.au/reg_resource.asp">http://www.regional.wa.gov.au/reg_resource.asp</a></p>
<p>AusTrade</p>	<p>This is the federal agency dedicated to helping Australian exporters take</p>	<p>Contact: AusTrade 13 28 78  Website: <a href="http://www.austrade.gov.au">http://www.austrade.gov.au</a></p>

	their goods and services into overseas markets. AusTrade also works to attract overseas investment for Australian enterprises and to help Australian companies make export related investments overseas.	
Regional Development Council	<p>The Regional Development Council is the peak advisory body to Western Australia's Minister for Regional Development on all regional development issues. The functions of the Council are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote development in the regions;</li> <li>• Develop policy proposals on development issues;</li> <li>• Assist commissions and relevant government agencies; to work closely on regional issues; and</li> <li>• Report on matters referred to it by the Minister.</li> </ul>	<p>Regional Development Division  Department of Industry and Technology  168-170 St Georges Terrace, PERTH 6000  (PO Box 7234, Cloisters Square PERTH 6850)  Phone: (08) 9327 5666  Fax: (08) 9327 5921  Freecall: 1800 628 767 (for country callers)  Website: <a href="http://www.regional.wa.gov.au">http://www.regional.wa.gov.au</a></p>

## Markets and marketing

### *Financial Support Programs*

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVE	FOR MORE INFORMATION
Chamber of Commerce & Industry (CCI)	Accommodation subsidies for export marketing trips	Contact: 190 Hay Street EAST PERTH WA 6004 Phone: (08) 9421 7555
National Seafood Centre (NSC)	Funds post-harvest handling/processing R&D via grants.	Contact: 19 Hercules Street HAMILTON QLD 4007 Phone: (07) 7268 8595
Australian Quarantine & Inspection Service (AQIS)	Subsidy/accelerated inspection for export samples. Who's who in export facilitation (Directory)	Contact: PO Box 606 WELSHPOOL WA 6986 Phone: (08) 9334 1555 Fax: (08) 9334 1666

*Non-financial assistance*

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVE	FOR MORE INFORMATION
AusTrade	<p>This is the federal agency dedicated to helping Australian exporters take their goods and services into overseas markets. AusTrade also works to attract overseas investment for Australian enterprises and to help Australian companies make export related investments overseas.</p>	<p>Contact: AusTrade 13 28 78            Website: <a href="http://www.austrade.gov.au">http://www.austrade.gov.au</a></p>
Trade Watch	<p>Trade Watch is an interactive on-line information service for Australians doing business overseas. The service focuses on market access issues in a progressively expanding range of our key markets. It enables business to feed in directly market-specific concerns which will be factored into the government's market access strategies. Trade Watch will respond to e-mail enquiries via the new Trade Watch feedback system.</p>	<p>Contact:            Website: <a href="http://tradewatch.dfat.gov.au">http://tradewatch.dfat.gov.au</a>.</p>
Market Access	<p>The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade offers a range of trade, economic and socio-economic statistics and publications that can be obtained as publications or as a specific request using its Market Information Service.</p> <p>Services include advice on access to overseas markets and international business networks; briefings and seminars on trade-related issues; opportunities to meet and discuss trade and foreign policy issues with visiting heads of Australian diplomatic missions overseas;</p>	<p>Contact            Tel: (02) 6261 3186.            Website: <a href="http://www.dfat.gov.au">http://www.dfat.gov.au</a></p>

	and access and advice on the Department's research and publications.	
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation	Official export credit agency providing credit risk management and specialist finance services to Australian exporters, investors overseas and their financiers.	Contact: (08) 9321 4222.
Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service	Facilitates the importation of animals, plants and related products through integration of Commonwealth, State and Territory operations, while maintaining the practical protection against the entry and spread of exotic diseases.	Contact: General freecall number Phone: 1800 020 504 or 9311 5333 Fax: 9455 3052 Email: <a href="mailto:qwa@aqis.gov.au">qwa@aqis.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.affa.gov.au/outputs/quarantine.html">http://www.affa.gov.au/outputs/quarantine.html</a>
Australian Bureau of Statistics	Gathers, analyses and disseminates information on almost every facet of Australia's economy, industry and society. Among other things, it can provide information on economic and social indicators and measures of performance.	Contact: ABS on (08) 9323 5140. Website: <a href="http://www.abs.gov.au/">http://www.abs.gov.au/</a>
Farmfax	An interactive fax-back system to provide farmers, pastoralists, consultants, scientists, and marketers with continuous access to rural information.	Contact: Pat Thorn Phone: (08) 9368 3789 Fax: (08) 9367 4051 Email: <a href="mailto:pthorn@agric.wa.gov.au">pthorn@agric.wa.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.agric.wa.gov.au/customer_services/AgFax.htm">http://www.agric.wa.gov.au/customer_services/AgFax.htm</a>
Australian Customs Service	Regulates the import and export of goods into and out of Australia through the implementation of Government policy relating to control of imports and exports, assistance to Australian industry, and revenue collection in relation to imported goods.	Contact: Customs Information Centre Phone: 1300 363 263 from anywhere in Australia Email: <a href="mailto:information@customs.gov.au">information@customs.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.customs.gov.au">http://www.customs.gov.au</a>
Seafood Services Australia (SSA)	SSA operates under a joint agreement between the FRDC, the Centre for Food Technology of the Queensland Department of Primary Industries and the	Contact: Phone: 1300 130 321 Fax: 07 3633 6776 E-mail: <a href="mailto:ssa@seafoodservices.com.au">ssa@seafoodservices.com.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.seafoodservices.com.au">http://www.seafoodservices.com.au</a>

	<p>Queensland Seafood Industry Association.</p> <p>SSA offers an Australia-wide service to anyone in the business of catching, farming, processing, transport, wholesaling, retailing, exporting, importing or cooking seafood. SSA offers information and advice on technical issues, guidance on food safety, quality management standards and assistance, with adding value to a business through developing new products and processes.</p>	
--	---	--

## Research and Development

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVE	FOR MORE INFORMATION
Strategic Partnership with Industry-Research and Training (SPIRT) Scheme	<p>Encourages collaborative research between universities and industry organisations, commercial enterprises or public sector organisations.</p> <p>SPIRT has three elements, which may sought separately, or combined in a larger research project proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborative research projects;</li> <li>• Australian postgraduate Awards; (industry); and</li> <li>• Australian postdoctoral research fellowships (industry).</li> </ul>	<p>Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46            Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a>            Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a></p>
R & D Tax Concession	<p>The concession aims to encourage increased investment in R&amp;D by Australian companies in order to make them more innovative and increase the international competitiveness of Australian industry. The tax benefit derived from the concession can provide companies with the opportunity to reinvest resultant tax savings in their future. With new and improved products and services, companies can enjoy the benefits of greater competitiveness through increased sales and consequent profits.</p>	<p>Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46            Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a>            Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a></p> <p>Contact: See your local ATO listings            Website: <a href="http://www.ato.gov.au">http://www.ato.gov.au</a></p>
Core Start, Start Plus and Start Premium	<p>The <i>R&amp;D Start</i> program, available to Australian companies, is a merit-based program designed to assist Australian industry to undertake research and development (R&amp;D) and commercialisation through a range of grants and loans.</p> <p>Projects must involve R&amp;D, but can also include related product development and market research activities. Projects should have clearly identified commercial potential and applicants need to be able to demonstrate that they are able to fund their share of project costs. Grants up to \$15 million are available, typically ranging between \$50,000 and \$5 million. Grants available are dependant on company size:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Core Start</i> provides grants of up to 50 per cent of project costs for</li> </ul>	<p>Contact: AusIndustry Hotline 13 28 46            Email: <a href="mailto:ausindustry@isr.gov.au">ausindustry@isr.gov.au</a>            Website: <a href="http://www.ausindustry.gov.au">http://www.ausindustry.gov.au</a></p> <p>Or</p> <p>Contact: R&amp;D Start Information Officer.            Phone: 18 28 46.</p>

	<p>Australian companies, with an annual turnover of less than \$50 million.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Start Plus</i> provides grants of up to 20 per cent of project costs for larger Australian companies with group turnover of \$50 million or more.</li> </ul> <p>High-quality projects can obtain further assistance through <i>Start Premium</i> which offers companies an additional repayable amount which 'tops up' either <i>Core Start</i> or <i>Start Plus</i> assistance to a maximum of 56.25 per cent of project costs. For larger companies which receive a grant of 20 per cent of project costs, <i>Start Premium</i> can provide an additional 36.25 per cent of repayable financial assistance. Applicants are required to provide a repayment plan as part of the application.</p>	
Fisheries Research & Development Corporation (FRDC)	Funds Fisheries and aquaculture research and development via grants	Contact: FRDC PO Box 9025 DEAKIN ACT 2600 Ph. (02) 6272 5485 Website: <a href="http://www.frdc.com.au">http://www.frdc.com.au</a>
Australian Council for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR)	Improves production, trains people and develops products of developing countries.	Contact: GPO Box 887 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone: (02) 6527 8411
International Science Technology & Commerce (ISTAC)	Australian participation in overseas research, including conferences and bringing keynote speakers to Australian conferences	Contact: 51 Allara Street CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone: (02) 6276 1069
Grains R&D Corporation (GRDC)	Funds R&D of aquaculture feeds	PO Box E6 Queen Victoria Terrace CANBERRA ACT 2600 Phone: (02) 6272 5525
Rural Industries R&D Corporation (RIRDC)	Works closely with Australian rural industries on the organisation and funding of their R&D needs. RIRDC manages research and development investments on behalf of government and industry. Funds Rural R&D, particularly innovative animal cultures. Might be a source of funds for aquaculture (remote areas) or joint Ag/Fish projects, e.g. innovative packaging.	Contact Communications Officer, RIRDC PO Box 4776 KINGSTON ACT 2604 Phone: (06) 272 4539 Fax: (02) 6272 4539 Website: <a href="http://www.rirdc.gov.au">http://www.rirdc.gov.au</a>

Cooperative Research Centres	Brings together researchers, private industry and other users of research, with an emphasis on developing internationally-competitive industry sectors. The strong collaborative links between researchers and industry in CRCs provide industry with access to highly-skilled personnel and leading-edge research results.	Contact: CRC Committee Department of Industry, Science and Tourism. Phone: (06) 2136429
CSIRO	Responds to industries' needs for technology in mining, agriculture/rural, manufacturing, and service sector and works to improve the management and protection of Australia's natural resources. Undertakes contract research and development and can provide technical advice on a range of issues.	Contact: CSIRO Information Officer Phone: 1300363 400.
Land & Water Resources R&D Corporation (LWRDC)	Funds interdisciplinary R&D related to water resources use, particularly freshwater ecology and the effect of fertiliser run-off on marine ecology. Funds the Centre for Environmental Modelling at the University of Western Australia.	Contact: GPO Box 2182 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone: (02) 6257 3379

## Miscellaneous

### *Financial Support Programs*

PROGRAM	OBJECTIVE	FOR MORE INFORMATION
Directory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AQIS: Who's Who in Export Facilitation</li> <li>• DPIE: Australian Fishing Industry Directory. Rural Business &amp; Marketing Guide. The Rural Book.</li> <li>• SCITECH: Technology Directory</li> <li>• FRDC: Fisheries R&amp;D Agencies &amp; Funding Source</li> <li>• DITARD: Australian Development Capital Directory ,</li> <li>• ABARE</li> </ul>	Contact: GPO Box 858 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Phone: (02) 6272 5044
Science and Technology Innovation Fund	Innovation fund designed to encourage the development of partnerships between industry and TAFE colleges or private VET providers. Other initiatives will assist in developing infrastructure, equitable access and professional development.	Contact. Department of Training. Phone: (08) 9235 6082 Fax: (08) 9235 6044 Website: <a href="http://www.training.wa.gov.au">http://www.training.wa.gov.au</a>
National Heritage	To promote a partnership between the	Contact: NHT Secretariat

Trust-community grants program	community, industry and all levels of government in the pursuit of better environmental and natural resource outcomes.	PO Box Y3455 East St George's Terrace PERTH WA 6832. Telephone: (08) 9325 0000 WA Toll free: 1800 198 231 Facsimile: (08) 9225 4970 Website: <a href="http://www.nht.gov.au">http://www.nht.gov.au</a>
International Conference Support Scheme	Provides support for international scientific, technology or engineering conferences held in Australia to encourage their staging in Australia and the participation of overseas organisations and persons who can contribute knowledge and information of benefit to Australia.	Contact: Institution of Engineers Australia 712 Murray St West Perth 6005 Phone: (08) 9321 3340 Website: <a href="http://www.wa.ieaust.org.au">http://www.wa.ieaust.org.au</a>