Adapter Allocation Scheme Q2 2023
Key Dates and Important Information

This document outlines specific information relevant to the Q22 2023 Call for Applications to NCI's Adapter Allocation Scheme.

This document should be read in parallel with the **Adapter Scheme Information for Applicants**.

Background

The Adapter Scheme has been funded for two years (2022-2023) by the Australian Government's Department of Education, Skills and Employment under the NCRIS initiative.

This new scheme aims to facilitate access to data, high-throughput and high-performance computing, and support other new and emerging ways of engaging with Tier-1 high-performance computing and high-performance data resources. The Adapter Scheme is intended to identify meritorious research projects and provide them with flexible access to NCI's Tier-1 computational systems, including cloud services and storage.

Adapter is designed to identify meritorious research projects that need flexible compute access over a short period. This scheme caters for those users who need smaller compute and data resources in short bursts, rather than those who need millions of compute hours over the course of a whole year.

Adapter Scheme allocations in the Q2 2023 call will be up to **250 kSU** per project, valid for a **3-month period from 1 April 2023**.

All fields of research are eligible to apply.

Details for the Q2 2023 Call for Applications

The Q2 2023 Call for Applications is the fourth open call of the Adapter Scheme. The Call for Applications is offering HPC resources on the Gadi supercomputer, cloud resources on the Nirin research cloud, and storage resources on NCI's global filesystems.

There is an Application Form Template which applicants are encouraged to use in producing their application proposal. In particular, there is a requirement to briefly explain the research team structure and HPC track record in the proposal.

The eligibility criteria for the Adapter Scheme have been broadened: postdoctoral researchers are now eligible to apply as Lead CIs on their own, regardless of whether they have received grant funding in their name. They must specify their supervisor's name and grant funding source as part of the application.

The Information for Applicants has been updated to make clear that any grants named as part of the proposal must be current.

Key Dates

16 January 2023	Call for Applications opens
24 January 2023	Online information session
12 February 2023	Application submission deadline (11pm AEDT)
28 February 2023	Allocation Committee meeting
8 March 2023	Allocations announced
1 April 2023	Allocations start date

Information Session

NCI User Support will run one online information briefing, which will be recorded. The information session will take place on the 24th of January 2023 from 11-12pm AEDT. Click here to register:
https://anu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpdeqrrz0pGNB85ZPDSdm8q7HBuu4BAPy6.

How to Apply

Applicants should carefully read the Adapter scheme webpage and the **Information for Applicants** document to understand eligibility, funding and application requirements for the Adapter Scheme.

Adapter applications are a one-step process using the online form at https://anu.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eQxzfjMGPq46fTo.