Academic Research Fees – CFA Policy

Introduction
This paper summarises the CFA’s policy with respect to membership fees and license fees for leading academic institutions and research projects which will benefit the CFA and which have been approved by the CFA’s Innovation Hub Science Committee (I-Hub).

Academic Membership of the CFA & Fees
Membership of the CFA by academic institutions is welcomed. If an academic institution wishes to become a member of the CFA, then a full membership fee will be required according to the fee structure published on the website.

Whilst CFA membership is desirable, there is no necessity for an academic institution to be a member of the CFA to be part of the Innovation Hub.

Research Projects & Licensing
All projects will be subject to review according to the I-Hub’s approval process. If there are no associated CFA costs, e.g. where just a letter of support is requested, then this should be clearly noted in the project’s I-Hub application.

Research projects being undertaken by academic institutes and/or consortia, howsoever funded, will need to include any CFA incurred costs and software license costs.

All CFA labour costs, and any other directly incurred CFA costs necessarily associated with a project, including 10% contribution towards overheads, are to be fully costed within any project being put forward.

For all projects an annual CFT software license fee for access and use of the CFT must be paid by the project or institution. This fee will be on a similar basis to the membership fees for the CFA see CFA Fee Structure and will depend on the size and duration of the project.

For Innovation Hub members, by exception and where the project will result in material enhancements to the CFT functionality, then the software license fee may be discounted. This will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Innovation Hub Science Committee Chair, and the CFA General Manager.

NB: For further details the I-Hub please separate documents available in the Research Funding section of the CFA website.