

Project for Enhancing the Environment to Create Innovation in National Universities

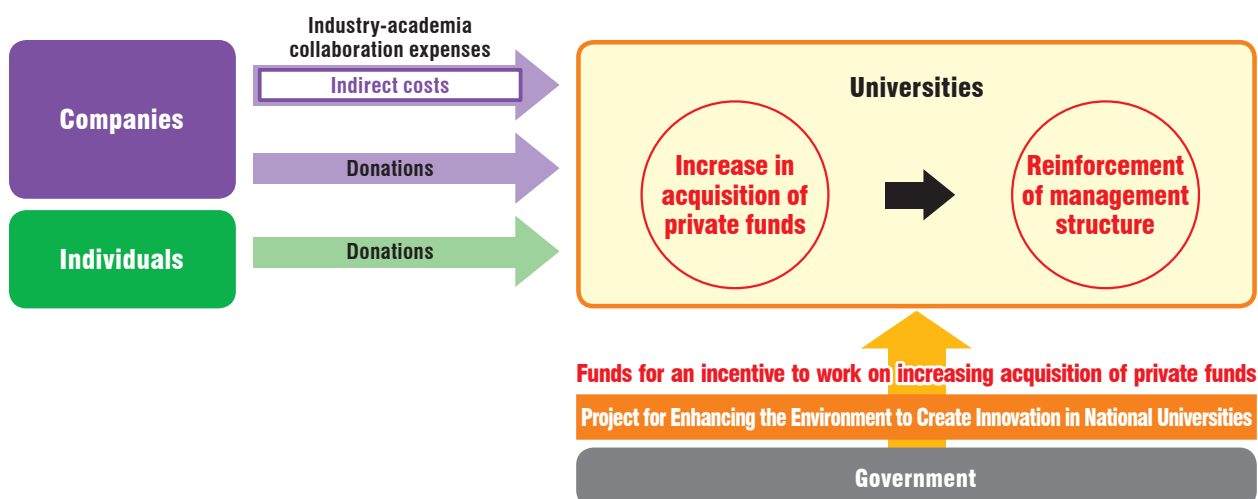
Background/objective

National universities promote efforts to acquire private funds and induce public/private R&D investment.

While securing adequate indirect costs in joint research with private companies, national universities increase the amount of acquired private funds, and reinforce the management structure to diversify financial resources required for creating innovations.

Project summary

- Narrow down the target universities in reference to the result data regarding acquisition of external funds before a public call
- For the applied universities, the screening committee will conduct interviews in accordance with the “Plan to Increase Acquired Private Funds in the Future”.
- The selected universities will receive grants which can be spent at their own discretion for two years in principle. (It is possible that additional funds are allocated in the third year, only if it makes significant progress in the plan in the second year.)
- The following facts will be considered as data used for the selection standard to prove the results of acquiring the external funds
 - The ratio of indirect costs and their growth in joint research as an indicator which reflects the organizational efforts in securing funds.
 - For non-research universities, the ratio of the income from external funds (donations, commissioned research expenses, joint research expenses, etc.) and its growth will be considered as well.



Flow of funds



Expected results

Expand investment from private sectors to national universities which leads to creation of innovations.

Through the increase of the ratio of indirect costs and external funds at the selected universities, foster a perspective on market trends which will raise the level of national universities in general.