

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In August 2021, the Roadmap Team launched an Ideas Jam on 'Enabling better collaboration with industry', to collect ideas from a diverse range of stakeholders. Over a two-week period, 83 ideas were posted and a total of 488 participants were involved in reviewing, commenting and voting on those ideas. This document presents the highlights of the Ideas Jam.

## BARRIERS MOST COMMONLY ADDRESSED

- When posting ideas, participants were asked to nominate which of the identified barriers/needs was the primary focus of their idea: *Better visibility*, *Better access*, *Better co-ordination*, *Better co-operation*, *Better protections* or *Something different*.
- *Better access* and *Better co-operation* were the two barriers most commonly addressed in the ideas posted, attracting 29% and 28% of ideas respectively

## KEY THEMES

- Overall, the solutions to better collaboration posed by participants clustered around the following themes:
  - *People Power* (related to the time and expertise required to pursue and maintain collaborations)
  - *NRI Adaptation, Expansion and/or Consolidation* (recognising the strengths of existing NRI and the potential benefits of greater integration)
  - *Data Development* (again, emphasising the benefits of integration)
  - *NRI Promotion* (referring to the need to raise awareness of NRI capabilities)
  - *Structural Integration* (including co-location, collaborative governance, and partnership grants).

## HIGHEST RATED IDEAS

- At the close of the Ideas Jam, the 2021 Roadmap Team reviewed all ideas posted, and identified two distinct groups: those which either directly or partially addressed the theme of industry collaboration, and those which provided recommendations for new or expanded NRI, without a specific connection to the industry collaboration theme. Only those that addressed the theme have been included in the analysis of the Ideas Jam and in this report. Ideas for new or expanded NRI have been considered by the NRI Taskforce.
- Among those that did address the theme directly or partially, the two most highly rated ideas were 'Space infrastructure to grow our space industry' and 'Connecting critical mineral explorers with research data' (211 and 177 votes respectively). The latter reflects a recurring theme across many aspects of the 2021 NRI Roadmap consultations that data represents a considerable opportunity, and there is an urgent need to consider how data is used, shared and stored.