

## Evaluation Criteria – Climate Impact Fund

At NBIF, we do not conduct peer reviews and are therefore are not evaluating the application on its scientific merit, however, the expectation is that you are submitting an application that is scientifically sound, which can be demonstrated through Tri-council (or other organizations) reviews, earlier or other publications of your work in the given area, letters of support from industrial partners applying the innovation or other similar means.

It is assumed that applications are written in plain language (where possible), while addressing the evaluation criteria listed below:

1.	The project addresses a clearly defined climate change challenge, either through development of climate mitigation/GHG reduction technology or informing measures for adapting to climate.
2.	The project has potential to make significant impact to either climate change mitigation or adaptation and is there an attempt to quantify the impact with data. Impact refers to either the scale or potential importance of the project to reducing GHG emissions or in protecting NB’s industries, communities, or human health.
3.	The project plan establishes well thought out milestones that will contribute to the overall success for the project. Milestones are achievable and there is an established way of assessing progress (for example TRL scale progression for technology development). The proposal incorporates a plan for implementing results or the potential for a follow-on project.
4.	The project engages one or more collaborators or partners (e.g., industry, or not-for-profit organizations) for mobilization or potential commercialization of research outcomes in an impactful way. The involvement of the partner aligns with the context and needs of the project?
5.	The project includes a strong HQP component. One or more researchers (students or research professionals) will be engaged full-time in the project for the duration.