



GRANT FUNDING FOR INNOVATIONS

With focus on
Biotechnology Ignition Grant (BIRAC)
And TREMAP (TIFAC)

Organized by Venture Center, Pune

Learn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learn about BIG scheme from DBT-BIRAC which funds proof-of-concept studies for life sciences start-ups• Learn from past BIG recipients.• Learn about TREMAP funding scheme & the application procedure
Organizers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BioIncubator (Supported by DBT-BIRAC), Venture Center• DST-TIFAC's Technology Commercialization Facilitation Agency at Venture Center (u/s TREMAP)
For whom	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Entrepreneurs and innovators• Scientists/ researchers• Academics/ lecturers• Students of science and engineering
When	Friday, January 24th, 2014 1500-1700 hrs
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ABOUT THE EVENT

The primary aim of this event is to raise awareness around an important grant funding opportunity in the biotechnology and healthcare space, viz. the DBT-BIRAC Biotech Ignition Grant (BIG) scheme. The focus of this event is to provide background information on this grant, the application through funding process-flow, guidance on writing winning proposals, and an opportunity to interact with BIG recipients.

DBT-BIRAC's BIG scheme- BIG provides for high level of discovery and innovation in the Biotechnology sector to establish and validate proof of concept, and enable creation of spin-offs. Venture Center is a BIG partner. Venture Center BIG page: www.bioincubator.venturecenter.co.in/big.php

TIFAC's TREMAP:

This event also covers the awareness about TREMAP funding scheme meant for technology refinement and marketing in order to license the technology & or to help make it start up investment ready. Venture Center is one of the Technology Commercialization Facilitators (TCF's) for TREMAP scheme www.venturecenter.co.in/tremap

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Time	Session title	Speaker
1500-1515 hrs	Venture Center movie	
1515-1530 hrs	Introduction to Venture Center and the speakers	Ms Pradnya Aradhya
1530-1545 hrs	Introduction and overview of the BIG scheme of BIRAC	Ms Pradnya Aradhya
1545-1555 hrs	Tips and pointers for writing BIG proposal	Ms Pradnya Aradhya
1555-1605 hrs	Process followed after BIG proposal submission: Review, due diligence and monitoring (by BIG partner)	Mr Piyush Joshi
1605-1615 hrs	Q&A session	
1615-1630 hrs	TREMAP overview and application procedure	Ms Uma D Patil
1630-1645 hrs	Closure	

SPEAKERS/ PARTICIPANTS/ MODERATORS



Pradnya Aradhya is currently Associate, Bioincubator, Venture Center. She has done her M.Tech in Biological Sciences and Bioengineering from IIT Kanpur. Currently she is handling all BioIncubator activities at Venture Center. She is responsible for creating a pipeline of potential and signing-up incubates for the Bioincubator. Contribute to building scientific support systems and resources for VC incubates including specific expertise. Discussions with scientists to understand their competencies.



Piyush Joshi brings with him a unique experience of commercializing technology from public funded research via spin-off route. He is currently project manager at Venture Center and charged with a responsibility of creating technology based start-ups. In his current role, He actively scouts the technologies that have potential to create several products and facilitates the process of injecting these technologies into start-ups. Piyush also mentors pre-incorporation stage projects (probable future start-ups) from material science and medical device domain on business planning, start-up incorporation and fund raising. Piyush holds bachelor's degree in Polymer engineering from MIT, Pune. He has completed a post graduate diploma in patents law from NALSAR university of law, Hyderabad. He is currently pursuing his MBA in finance.



Uma Patil is currently associated with Venture Center as an Associate Technology Marketing. She has done MBA in Biotechnology from DMS-PUMBA, PG Diploma in IPR Law & B.Sc in Biotechnology from University of Pune. Currently she is handling all the TREMAP related activities at Venture Center including technology scouting & mining, in-depth analysis of the technologies with a focus on market research, data analysis, IP search & techno commercial feasibility study.



ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS



Entrepreneurship Development Center (Venture Center) – a CSIR initiative – is a Section 25 company hosted by the National Chemical Laboratory, Pune. Venture Center strives to nucleate and nurture technology and knowledge-based enterprises by leveraging the scientific and engineering competencies of the institutions in the Pune region in India. The Venture Center is a technology business incubator supported by the Department of Science & Technology's National Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (DST-NSTEDB). Venture Center's focuses on technology enterprises offering products and services exploiting scientific expertise in the areas of materials, chemicals and biological sciences & engineering.

For more information about Venture Center, visit www.venturecenter.co.in



BioIncubator at Venture Center was created with support from DBT-BIRAC under the Bioincubator Support Scheme. It has been conceptualized to help innovators in the spectrum of biomass, bioengineering, bio informatics, biomed and agro based industries to ease their enterprises into the ecosystem. Along with infrastructural support in the form of biosciences labs and office spaces, the BioIncubator also provides advisory services, referrals, scientific support, library and information services, Intellectual property services, seed funding and access to talks, workshops and technical training programs.

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Technology Refinement and Marketing Programme (TREMAP) initiated by Technology Information, Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC) in the year 2009 is a unique program to support the nation's innovation pool by pushing the innovative technologies from working prototype stage towards a viable commercial product stage through a network of Technology Commercialization Facilitators (TCFs). This facilitates an early assessment of innovative technologies by identifying their commercial potential and provides the required financial, marketing and operational skills for commercialization.

For more information about TREMAP, visit www.venturecenter.co.in/tremap/