Email Invitation

Dear Convergence Accelerator Cohort Phase II Participant:

As your team completes the Phase II Convergence Accelerator innovation training, we need your feedback to understand the utility of the training and improve it for future cohorts. **Please complete a short survey** about your curriculum experience. It will take 15-30 minutes depending on each user. The answers you provide are confidential and will be used to help NSF improve the Convergence Accelerator innovation curriculum. Participation is voluntary and will not influence any future award decisions made by NSF.

Please follow this link to complete the survey by Friday April 2nd: (Insert Survey Monkey link)

We value your time and feedback and thank you in advance for completing the survey!

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PUT SURVEY HERE

Convergence Accelerator Phase II Training Post-Participation Survey

Please complete this 15-minute survey to help us improve the Convergence Accelerator innovation training for future cohorts! Participation in this survey is voluntary but CRITICAL to the Convergence Accelerator. **The answers you provide are confidential and will be used to inform future Convergence Accelerator curriculum planning and activities.** Your participation and responses will not influence any current or future funding award decisions made by NSF.

Thank you! The Convergence Accelerator values your time and appreciates your participation!

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Phase II Training

Sustainability

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Unsure	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. The CA training helped our team better understand the challenges of developing a sustainable model for our project.					
2. The CA training helped our team identify potential sustainable models for our project.					

Overall Relevance

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Unsure	Agree	Strongly Agree
3. The CA training was relevant to our team's project.					
4. The CA training should have been provided earlier for our team.					
5. The CA training should have been provided later for our team.					

6. What aspects of the curriculum do you feel did NOT apply to your team's project?

Follow-Up:

7. [If 'Agree' or 'Strongly Agree' to Q6] When do you think would be an appropriate time to introduce the curriculum during Phase II?

Convergence Accelerator Training: Specific Content

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Unsure	Agree	Strongly Agree	I do not recall or I did not participate in this session
8. The CA training helped our team to better assess the societal problem we had identified during Phase I.						
9. The CA training helped our team better understand the product-market fit of our technology.						
10. The CA training helped our team understand what business model or structure would best serve our team.						
11. The CA training helped our team develop a long-term plan for Phase III.						
12. The CA training helped our team better understand how to build the team required for Phase II and eventually Phase III.						
13. The CA training helped our team define objectives and/or metrics we will need to achieve.						
14. The CA training helped our team better estimate the financial requirements of developing our technology.						
15. The CA training helped our team better understand the various methods of funding we could use to support Phase III.						
16. The CA training helped our team improve upon our storytelling and/or pitching.						

Training: Overall Feelings

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Unsure	Agree	Strongly Agree
17. The value our team gained from the CA training was worth the time investment we made.					
18. Our team feels better prepared for completing **Phase II** of our project as a result of the CA training.					
19. Our team feels better prepared for **Phase III** of our project as a result of the CA training.					
20. The CA training was valuable, but required too much time commitment.					

Coaching

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Unsure	Agree	Strongly Agree	I do not recall or I did not participate in these sessions
21. Coaching sessions were valuable for our team.						
22. Coaching sessions were well-aligned with the Idea to Market curriculum.						
23. Our coach has provided insights that have changed how we think about our project.						
24. I would recommend coaching sessions for future cohorts.						

25. Please describe in what ways coaching sessions influenced your project.

26. What changes could make or could have made the coaching component of the training more useful to you/your team?

Other Thoughts

27. Please indicate which topics you would have liked (or would like) the Convergence Accelerator training to focus on: [up to 6]
    a. Opportunity assessment, Product Market fit, Team Science/Internal team dynamics, Business models, Long-term planning, Building the right team,

Developing objectives/metrics, Financing technology development, Pitching, Interdisciplinary communication, Project management, Intellectual property, Non-profit/foundation sustainability model, University technology transfer, Partnerships, Negotiation tactics, Channel strategy, Roles of PI and staffing a new enterprise, advisory boards

b. Other: Please describe additional topics

28. Please tell us what part of the Convergence Accelerator Phase II training was **most** useful to you?

29. Please tell us what part of the Convergence Accelerator Phase II training was **least** useful to you?

30. Please describe any additional recommendations you have for adjusting the Convergence Accelerator Phase II training for future cohorts.