

## Option 1

### STW takes the lead in making Intellectual Property and Publication\* arrangements ('STW IP&P arrangements')

- Part 3 of STW's 'General Conditions' on 'Intellectual Property & Publication' is applicable.

#### Access to foreground IP rights for private party or parties / consortium:

- 0-10% private contribution private party or parties: private party/parties have no automatic right
  - 11-30% private contribution private party or parties: private party, parties or consortia have right of option
  - 31-50% private contribution private party or parties: non-exclusive non-transferable commercial licence + right of option to exclusive right. Contribution towards patent costs can be required
  - Private parties can combine their contributions so as to achieve a more favourable ranking
  - Confidential information remains confidential
  - Results can always be published but publication may be suspended for a maximum of 9 months in connection with the protection (patent) of the results
- Agreements must be confirmed in writing within six months of the project being awarded
- *Further information on Options 1 and 2 can be found in STW's 'General Conditions' and in the relevant/underlying 'Guidelines for financing applications'*

## Option 2

### Knowledge institution takes the lead in making Intellectual Property and Publication\* arrangements ('Own IP&P arrangements')

- 'Own IP&P arrangements' fulfil the following criteria:
  - i All necessary foreground information (IP ensuing from the STW project) and - insofar as legally possible - background information (already existing IP from company and/or knowledge institution) is available for the execution of the project
  - ii The agreement is aimed at the application or allocation of the results by way of publication
  - iii Publication of scientific knowledge from the project will not be obstructed by users, but the beneficiary and users may determine the publication schedule
  - iv Any results generated from the project by the beneficiary remain available for the beneficiary for educational and research purposes
- On submission: The knowledge institution(s) and all users agree that the provisions under 'Own IP&P arrangements' will apply to the STW project and declare that they do or will satisfy the criteria from i to iv above  
After award: The knowledge institution(s) and all users approve the agreement in writing
- STW will receive, no later than three (3) months after awarding the project:
  - i. The signed agreement in which IP&P arrangements are made with the user(s)
  - ii. A signed IP&P statement in which the knowledge institution declares that the agreement relating to the IP&P arrangements with the user(s) satisfies all the pre-determined criteria.
- STW reviews the agreement against the pre-determined criteria; if STW approves the agreement, STW informs the project leader - in accordance with Article 2 (4) of STW's 'General Conditions' - that the project can be started.

**\*NB:** All scientific publications resulting from research that is funded by grants derived from this Call for proposals are to be immediately (at the time of publication) freely accessible worldwide (Open Access). There are several ways for researchers to publish Open Access. A detailed explanation regarding Open Access can be found on [www.nwo.nl/openscience-en](http://www.nwo.nl/openscience-en).