

**Request for Proposals:
Startup Accelerator Support Program
Uruguay Innovation Hub
Evaluation Closing Report**

1. Background

On July 17, 2023, through Decree 216/023, the implementation of the Uruguay Innovation Hub program was approved. This is a national public-private and interinstitutional initiative aimed at promoting projects in the fields of science, technology, and innovation. The goal is to propel the country towards a knowledge-based economy and society, establishing itself as a world-class innovation center that attracts international investments. The program aims to increase the country's potential economic growth rate and generate quality employment opportunities for its residents.

The Program operates within ANII, which is responsible for its administrative management. The Program has its own governance and management structure. The political and strategic direction of the program is entrusted to a four-member Steering Committee, composed of a representative from the Ministry of Industry, Energy, and Mining (who will chair it), a representative from the Ministry of Education and Culture, a representative from the Ministry of Economy and Finance, and a representative from the Office of Planning and Budget.

In accordance with Decree 216/023, one of the instruments through which it will be developed is the Acceleration Program. For this purpose, the "Startup Accelerator Support Program" instrument was designed to create conditions for the launch of an acceleration program in Uruguay focused on early-stage innovative ventures. This program aims to facilitate growth through methodologies, mentoring, networking, and financing.

2. Request for Proposals Results

The call remained open from Wednesday 20th September at 2pm to Tuesday 5th December 2023 at 2pm. At the close of the call, a total of 14 proposals were submitted.

3. Outcomes of the Evaluation Process

After the technical evaluation, the CES (Evaluation and Monitoring Committee) recommends to the UIH Steering Committee the approval of the following proposal:

Proposal Code	Project Title	Applicant Organization	Other Participating Institutions
ACE_X_2023_1_179061	Uruguay Accelerator	Our Crowd	Universidad ORT Uruguay / Centro de Innovación y Emprendimientos Laboratorio Tecnológico del Uruguay Ingenio

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Furthermore, the committee suggests designating a second proposal on the priority list, available in case the first option is canceled or withdrawn.

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ACE_X_2023_1_179618	VENTIUR UY - THE HUB FOR LATAM STARTUPS INTERNATIONALIZATION	VENTIUR Investimentos em Novos Negocios S.A.	

Below is the list of the 12 proposals that were not selected on this occasion (sequentially ordered by project code):

Proposal Code	Project Title	Applicant Organization	Country	Other Participating Institutions
ACE_X_2023_1_179141	Draper Accelerator	Draper Latam LLC	USA	Amalgama Lawi Serviços Para Startups Ltda Integra Negocios S.A Draper University
ACE_X_2023_1_179362	Plug and Play Acceleration Program	Plug and Play, LLC	USA	-
ACE_X_2023_1_179374	Impulsando innovadores: acelerando ideas, invirtiendo en	Seedstars	Switzerland	-

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	el futuro			
ACE_X_2023_1_179460	Incutex Startups accelerate . Uruguay	Incutex	Argentina	Fundación GEN E
ACE_X_2023_1_179476	SPEED UP UY	DMZ accelerator (Ryerson University)	Canada	Thales Lab Tokai Ventures
ACE_X_2023_1_179507	Uruguay Acceleration Institute by MIU	Mexican Innovation University	Mexico	-
ACE_X_2023_1_179556	Creating a launchpad for early-stage Uruguayan/regional startups to scale rapidly through the combined global expertise and local insight from the partnering organisations, Startup Wise Guys and KOI Ventures	Startup Wise Guys	Estonia/Spain	Koi Ventures
ACE_X_2023_1_179635	mentorDay Uruguay	mentorDay	Spain	-
ACE_X_2023_1_179688	South Atlantic Innovation Launchpad: Accelerating Innovation-Driven Entrepreneurship from Uruguay to the	Universidad de Montevideo / Universidad de Montevideo - Facultad de Ingeniería / INITIUM - Entrepreneurial Center	Uruguay	MITdesignX EBITAL S.A

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	World			
ACE_X_2023_1_179693	We Partner, Boost UP Program - UY	We Partner	Argentina	Universidad Nacional de Córdoba - Aceleradora UNC Redwood Ventures Antom
ACE_X_2023_1_179699	Uruguay Innovation Hub - Barrabés Accelerator Program	INNOVA NEXT SL - BARRABÉS BIZ	Spain	FE THINK STUDIO
ACE_X_2023_1_179721	Propuesta técnica para el programa de apoyo a aceleración de emprendimientos presentada por Garra VC	Pantera Makers	Colombia	EF Aceleradora