## <u>Correspondence: Science and technology</u> <u>for economic benefit across the UK</u>

In this letter to the Prime Minister, CST outlines 7 proposals that the government and others can carry out to deliver economic benefits across the UK. The proposals seek to build on the UK's science and technology strengths.

The proposals include:

- encouraging local economies to identify the range of science and technology related assets they already have
- maximising their existing assets
- creating the right conditions for further investment
- encouraging greater innovation in businesses across the UK's sectors and regions

### <u>Correspondence: Advice on the</u> <u>Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund</u>

In this letter to Innovate UK and the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC), CST considers the selection of challenge areas and how the fund is administered.

They advise that the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund should be seen in the wider perspective of the economic challenges that the country faces:

- improving productivity
- encouraging growth
- delivering economic opportunities more widely across the UK

They recommend that potential challenges are selected and evaluated against criteria that use these priorities as their basis.

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