Aerospace Christchurch

SUPPORTING YOUR BUSINESS TO PIVOT

Aerospace Christchurch is an industry body that promotes the interests of our city, our region and our nation. We encompass broad aspects of aerospace: aviation, space flight, rocketry, manufacturing, engineering, geospatial mapping, data analytics, education, training and services. Aerospace Christchurch works with individuals and organisations that want to grow the economic wealth and aerospace capability in New Zealand. Check out resources available to you below.

STARTUPS		
Ministry of Awesome	Provides startups with incubation, mentorship, and access to the investor networks commercial partners, and professional services they need to succeed.	
ThincLab	ThincLab Canterbury is a founder-led incubator that supports ambitious founders to validate, build and scale business ideas and to commercialise new knowledge and create extraordinary economic value for our region.	
B.Linc	By connecting across industry, science, and agriculture they develop innovation for the future. Work with leading organisations, startups, researchers, growers and universities, to address topical challenges.	
MBA at University of Canterbury	Upskill and reshape your career by becoming a well-rounded leader who harnesses purpose-driven change.	
Callahan R&D Funding	Structured to meet your business needs, whether you're a young startup, an established R&D performer, or want to bring students on board to assist in your R&D activities.	
Canterbury Employers' Chamber of Commerce	Offers a comprehensive range of services and resources designed to help your business grow.	
NZTE	Economic development and trade promotion agency that offers strategic advice, access to networks and influencers, research and market intelligence, and targeted financial support to help businesses on their international journey.	
SpaceBase	Provides online assessment tools (spacebase.thinkific.com) and in-person workshops to catalyse a space industry in a city or region for adjacent industries and local businesses.	
ChistchurchNZ – Regional Business Partners Programme	The Regional Business Partner Network is a gateway that connects you to the right advice, people and resources. Working together, we can help you strengthen and grow your business in many different ways. Funded by the New Zealand government the RBP Network consists of 14 regional growth agencies throughout the country. This means you'll get support from people who live and work in your region.	









BUSINESS SUPPORT	
Business and Investment Attraction Team ChristchurchNZ	Focus on positioning Christchurch for long term growth by working with organisations who will create impactful change for our people and economy. Attracting organisations and corporate and foreign direct investment to our city. Cluster development in our Aerospace and Future Transport.
Strategic Partnerships at CCC	Community funding opportunities.
Strategic Science Investment Fund – MBIE	Funds strategic investment in research programmes and scientific infrastructure that have long-term, beneficial impact on New Zealand's health, economy, environment and society.
The Partnerships Scheme – MBIE	Supports high-quality research aimed at increasing the competitiveness and sustainability of New Zealand's economy.
The Artemis Accords	The Artemis Accords are an international agreement between governments participating in the Artemis Program, an American-led effort to return humans to the Moon by 2024, and to ultimately expand and deepen space exploration.
The Catalyst Fund – Royal Society	Advancing global science partnerships for New Zealand.
Pilot Tech Incubator Programme	
- Callaghans	Invest in and actively help commercialise complex technologies. Concentrating on taking your concept to the next level by building a business around the technology – with the aim of growing globally competitive hi-tech businesses.



TEST FACILITIES	
MBIE	Plays a central role in shaping and delivering a strong New Zealand economy.
New Zealand Space Agency	The lead government agency for space policy, regulation and sector development.
CAA	Ensures everyone involved in New Zealand aviation meets the legal standards set by the Minister of Transport.
Halt & Hass	Development testing using expertise to provide advice when things go wrong and providers of end-to-end solutions for clients.
Project Tāwhaki – Kaitōrete Spit	A 1,000 hectare block of land on the Kaitōrete Spit near Christchurch, Project Tāwhaki aims to develop aerospace activities and R&D facilities, including a possible launch site.

INVESTORS	
WNT Ventures	Empowering pioneers at the start of their frontier tech journey and solving global problems by commercialising complex research, science and innovative technologies.
Bridgewest Ventures	Helping founders turn deep tech ideas into successful New Zealand businesses. Commercialising ideas into viable export opportunities to reach the global market.
Brandon Capital	Invests in the most promising biomedical opportunities that have the potential to improve the lives of patients.
Sprout	Part management consulting, part human resources, part recruitment agency, helping organisations plan, find and grow the best talent, as well as supporting individuals in their career journey.

COMMUNITY NETWORKING	
Aerospace Christchurch Meet Up's	Bi-monthly events hearing from industry professionals with networking pre and post presentations.
SpaceBase	Webinars and in-person sessions to educate local businesses on space benefits and opportunities.



