

Program Leader	Time Commitment (as Full Time Equivalent – for each year)
Professor David Pannell	0.7
Key Researchers	Time Commitment (as Full Time Equivalent – for each year)
Dr Rick Llewellyn	0.6
Private Sector Participants	

Education and Training Strategy/Program

An effective Education and Training Program will make a critical contribution to the FFI CRC's capacity building objective. Key elements of education and training are:

- Establishment of a nationally accredited training program for agribusiness and wider client networks, and
- Provision of industry ready science professionals for engagement with the wider research community, an important element in the 'pathway to adoption' for FFI CRC products.

In addition, postgraduate research will deliver a significant contribution to the body of knowledge generated by all research programs, and to the development of innovative new farming systems.

Number of expected post-graduate enrolments (commencements) for each year						
2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
15	20	15				

The strategies we have developed for delivery of education and training are:

- A comprehensive postgraduate education program encompassing industry supervision of research students, accredited training in generic leadership skills, together with postdoctoral opportunities and access to conference and travel assistance will provide a cohort of industry ready FFI CRC graduates with capacity to influence contemporary Australian farming practices.
- A national program of accredited (Australian Qualification Framework) training in FFI CRC and NRM will be established. Extension specialists within Landmark and other influencers linked into adoption networks will have the opportunity to undertake this training. Program graduates will inform knowledge networks sustained by other support activities. Many graduates will be embedded within FFI CRC research programs, forming a key link in the programs' path to adoption and two way communications between research activities and industry.
- A number of innovative education projects will be developed including:
 - Provision of accredited training in NRM for PhD students
 - Post graduate level short courses that promote interdisciplinary knowledge for graduates employed in agribusiness and within wider client networks
 - Coordination of an internship program that will enhance the industry readiness of our research graduates, and provide opportunities for industry participants to participate in research.

<i>5.2 Program Leader</i>	<i>Time Commitment (as Full Time Equivalent – for each year)</i>
Mr Scott Glyde	0.6
Key Staff	
Scott Glyde (CSU)	
Deb Slinger (NSW DPI)	
John Powell (CRC Salinity)	
Daryll Richardson (CRC Salinity)	
Private Sector Participants	
Landmark and Kondinin Group	
MLA, GRDC and AWI	
Primary Industry and NRM agencies	

Governance Arrangements

The core participants will incorporate a research company limited by guarantee to focus on effective utilisation and commercialisation processes that maximise adoption rates to achieve FFI CRC outcomes. This will include forming a Members Council to represent members’ interests. The council will appoint a nine-member skill-based board and be given responsibility for delivering the strategic direction for the company. The board will have an independent chair and a majority of industry or members independent of the research providers. The nature of engagement will be determined in accordance with the strategic fit of core participants, supporting participants and other stakeholders (figure 4). The strategic direction and purpose of the company is determined by members and embodied in the Commonwealth Agreement as reflected in the participants’ agreement and company constitution for implementation under the direction of the board. The participants’ agreement will set out the governance arrangements and objectives (meeting the objectives of the CRC Programme and partner investment) for contracting supporting participants and key responsibilities will be passed through from the Commonwealth Agreement. Members will meet annually in accordance with normal governance practice.

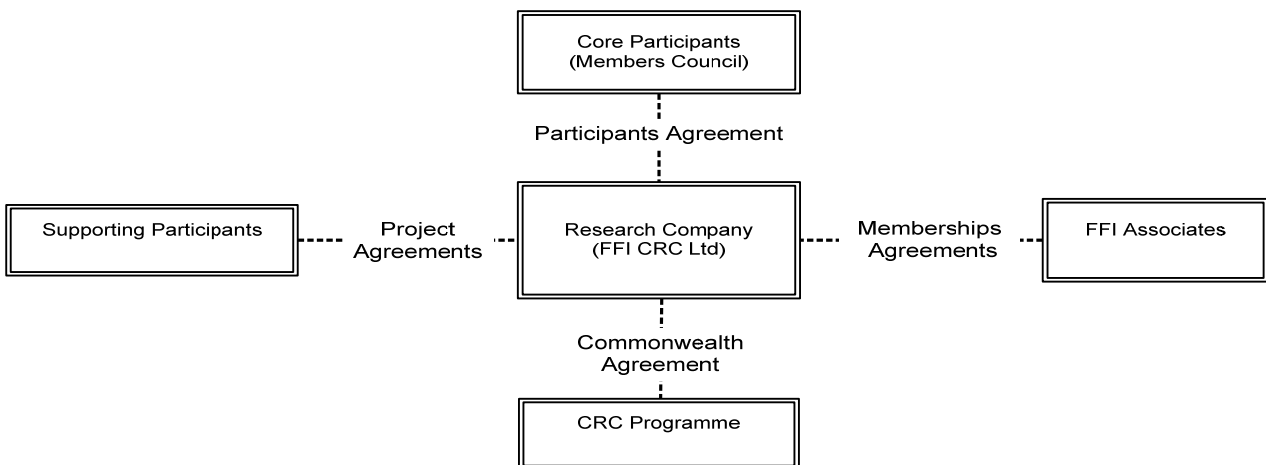


Figure 4. Relationship of partners to the Research Company