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Australia grants $87M to establish new Zero Net Emissions Research Centre by Corteva Agriscience

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Australia has approved $87M in funding for the establishment of the Zero Net Emissions from Agriculture Cooperative Research Centre (ZNE-Ag CRC), partnering with key industry players such as Corteva Agriscience, to help Australia reduce agricultural emissions and advance the sectorâ??s reputation in sustainability.

The 10-year funding commitment will be matched by 73 partners across industry, education and government to tackle some of the most important issues facing Australian agriculture while supporting its continued growth and the target of $100B in economic value by 2030.

The CRC will begin work in 2024 andÂ **Corteva Agriscience Country Leader, Ian Corr,** said the company would partner to pursue research on input products for managing nutrition efficiency to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from fertiliser losses.

Ed Husic, Minister for Industry and Science, said ZNE-Ag CRC would coordinate research projects including ways to improve crop quality and production, and soil and fertiliser management.

â??The message from the latest Climate Statement is clear, weâ??re close but we need to pull out all the stops to get over the line on our 2030 climate commitments, We need to mobilise Australian industry to play its role in the transition to net zero now. But we also need to think about the next big steps, which is why it is important to get Australian science and industry

working together on thisâ?• Minister Husic added.

TheÂ ZNE-Ag CRC Chair, Dr Debra Cousins, said "The national collaboration has secured $300M in funding over 10 years, with the Federal Governmentâ??s contribution of $87M making it the largest CRC in the programâ??s history".