

1) Was 2018 a positive year for your business?

Please select one: **Yes**

Spacecubed saw new spaces, programs and events ramp up through 2018 with a number of Spacecubed's members raising capital to grow including uDrew, Humm, Quizjam and Unocart to name just a few. We also saw huge growth from scale ups with Virtual Gaming World hiring a significant number of people to maintain its impressive growth.

2) Do you expect WA's economy will improve in the year ahead?

Please select one: **Yes**

Why or not?

With the number of resources projects that are underway or about to be underway we can expect significant hiring and a flow on to the broader WA economy over the next 12 – 24 months. This will not be an overnight change however we are already seeing work flow through to many of Spacecubed's members and they are hiring to be ready for this.

3) How do you think the upcoming federal election will impact your business and our state?

The Federal election will impact our business and other innovation businesses as it will represent a loss of momentum. If a change of Government does happen there will be a lag in rebranded and new initiatives coming into effect. The key thing we do not want to see again is the shutting down of programs like Accelerating Commercialisation while they are reviewed.

4) How do you rate the performance of the current federal government in supporting business?

Average

Why?

Some of the Federal Governments innovation policies have positively impacted the innovation ecosystem however Western Australia didn't leverage these policies like other states did with matched funding for projects that would ensure large innovation support and research projects would be based in WA.

5) How do you rate the performance of the current state government in supporting business?

Average

6) Which three reforms should the federal government prioritise to support business?

- 1) Reboot the national innovation agenda
- 2) Tax system reform
- 3) General stability for longer than 2 weeks

7) Which three reforms should the state government prioritise to support business?

- 1) Significant investment in the innovation ecosystem and new industries that will leverage Western Australia's competitive advantages while really diversifying WA industry. I like the

stadium as much as the next person however we haven't seen that scale of investment in diversifying WA.

2) Investments in enterprise skills in the education system to equip young people with the skills to operate in a world where they will have more than one job and operate in much more diverse teams.

3) Investment in real engagement with South East Asia considering this region is the fastest growing and it is up to WA to position to deliver real value, because we are not doing this others are.