

# SUNSHINE COAST

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## Our Entrepreneurial Ecosystem

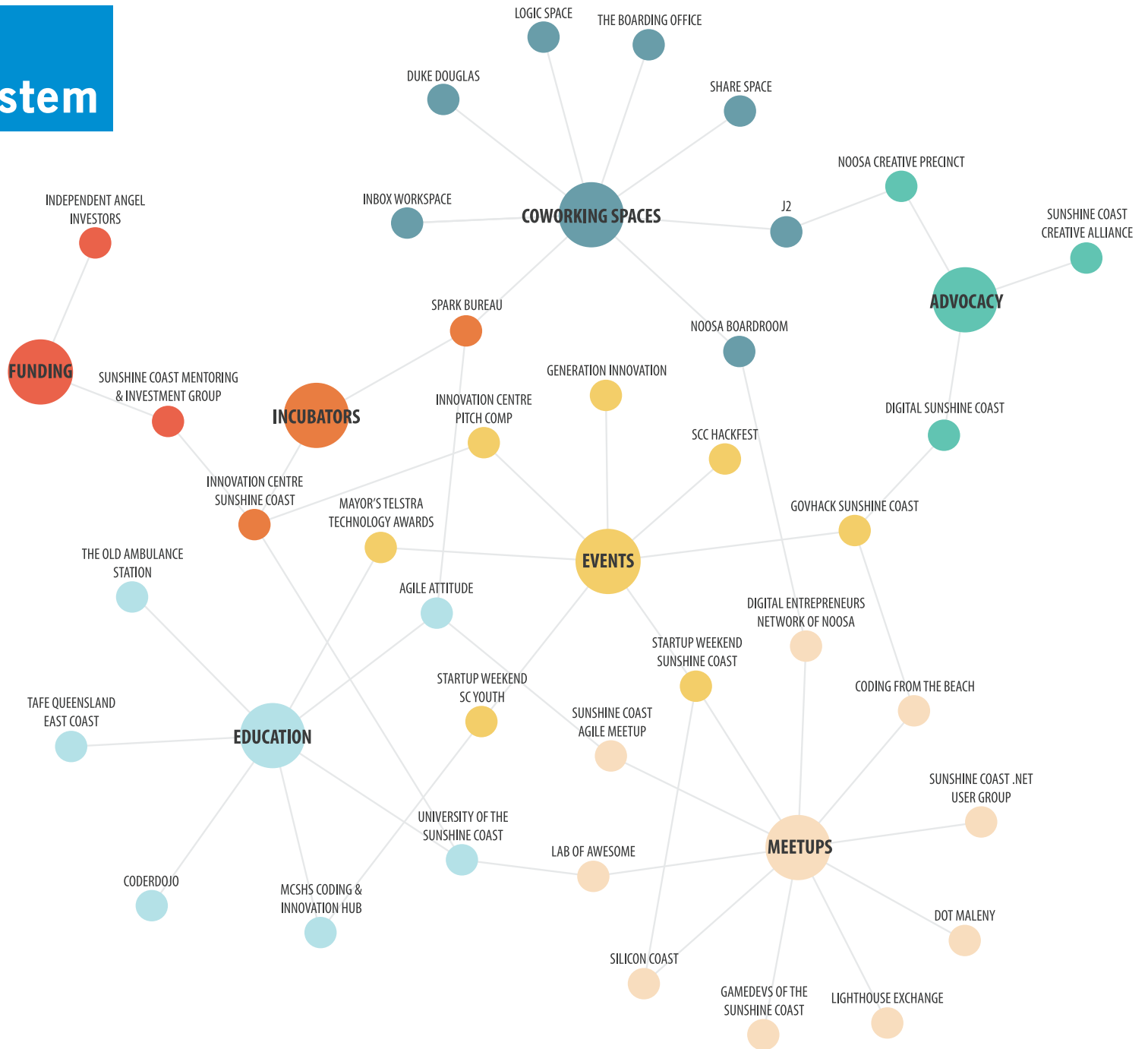
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# SUNSHINE COAST Entrepreneurial Ecosystem

One of the most important factors to ensure entrepreneurs thrive is collaboration. For an innovative idea to grow, you need a supportive environment where entrepreneurs are encouraged, ideas are nurtured through industry collaboration and supported by mentoring, and where start-ups thrive.

The Sunshine Coast has a unique Entrepreneurial Ecosystem, where industry contemporaries, and even competitors, collaborate, and where new ideas, entrepreneurs and start-ups are not only encouraged – they are actively supported.

Across the region's high-value industries – Knowledge and Professional Services, Food & Agribusiness, Clean Technologies, Aviation & Aerospace, Education & Research, Health & Wellbeing and Tourism, Sports & Leisure – ideas and entrepreneurs are supported through the Sunshine Coast's Entrepreneurial Ecosystem, a network of education programs, business incubators, coworking spaces, advocacy, events and meetups that has developed organically throughout the community.



This map was created by Digital Sunshine Coast to provide a visual representation of the Sunshine Coast's growing Entrepreneurial Ecosystem. It is designed to capture the support and resources available for new, emerging and established entrepreneurs within the Sunshine Coast region.

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# COLLABORATE WITH US

By mapping the Sunshine Coast's Entrepreneurial Ecosystem we want to encourage closer partnerships that will cement the Sunshine Coast's position as a leading region for innovation and business development.

This beta draft has been produced in collaboration with the local entrepreneurial community. However, it is a draft, and we are seeking your feedback. If you would like to suggest an addition or have ideas on how we can improve this representation, please let us know.

# DIGITAL SUNSHINE COAST

**Digital Sunshine Coast** is a collaborative project that aims to connect people on the topic of digital innovation. Led by Regional Development Australia Sunshine Coast and Sunshine Coast Council, the project is inclusive of all governments, educational institutions, business and industry leaders, as well as digital champions.

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