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The University of Tasmania welcomes the news that the University has been successful in its bid for \$50 million funding over the next 10 years for ongoing Antarctic research.

The University is working with core partners the Australian Antarctic Division, CSIRO and the Bureau of Meteorology to create the Australian Antarctic Program Partnership (AAPP), which will be funded through the Antarctic Science Collaboration Initiative.

The AAPP will also include contributions from Geoscience Australia, the Tasmanian Government and the Australian Antarctic Program.

In announcing the grant, the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology, Karen Andrews, said more than 1200 people are employed in Antarctic and climate research, contributing more than \$180 million to the Tasmanian economy each year.

Vice Chancellor Rufus Black said the new research partnership would maintain the University's role at the forefront of Antarctic and Southern Ocean science.

"We are delighted that this funding will help us to grow that contribution over the next 10 years."

"Our proximity to the Southern Ocean and the strong collaboration between the

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