



# Knowledge - Based Development Newsletter

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The UNECE Committee on Economic Cooperation and Integration promotes the knowledge-based economy and innovation. This newsletter provides a platform for disseminating its results and dialogue within its stakeholder community.

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### Innovation and Entrepreneurship Conference in Croatia, Dubrovnik, 23-24 May 2013



Innovation is a key driver of sustainable prosperity everywhere, and entrepreneurship is the powerful engine that drives innovation. Many of the challenges of innovation and entrepreneurship policies are shared

throughout the UNECE region. **Snjezana Ivic Pavlovski**, Head of Department, Ministry of Entrepreneurship and Crafts of Croatia, discusses the current state of innovation policy in Croatia and announces an international conference discussing the challenges and prospects of innovation and entrepreneurship policies. [\[Read more\]](#)

### Innovative Development in Kazakhstan: the contribution of the UNECE Innovation Performance Review



Kazakhstan, as other fast-growing countries, focuses on the development of knowledge-based industries and more sophisticated technological processing as a way to strengthen its position in the global market. **Zhumatay Salimov**, Director at Kazakhstan's National Agency for Technological Development, discusses the results of its technology forecasting exercise, and the country's innovation strategy.

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### Implementation of recommendations of the UNECE Innovation Performance Review of Belarus



**Vladimir Nedilko**, Head of Department of External Economic Affairs, Belarusian Innovation Fund, discusses the recommendations emanating from a review of the country's innovation system carried out by UNECE experts and the steps being taken to implement these

recommendations. [\[Read more\]](#)

### Social enterprise as an example of social innovation



Social innovation can be defined as new responses to pressing social demands. Better services and different solutions are needed to generate social value by enabling any citizen to become an active part of the

innovation process, says **Anna Kaderabkova**, Research Director at the Czech University of Economics and Management. [\[Read more\]](#)

- 7<sup>th</sup> session of the UNECE Committee on Economic Cooperation and Integration, Geneva, Switzerland, 5-7 December 2012 [\[Read more\]](#)
- Workshop on promoting innovation as a source of international competitiveness, Minsk, Belarus, 15 November 2012 [\[Read more\]](#)

Recent  
Events

- 65th Session of the UN Economic Commission for Europe, including a debate on the role of innovation in creating a dynamic and competitive economy, Geneva, Switzerland, 9-11 April 2013. [\[Read more\]](#)
- International workshop on "Developing the Regional Dimension of Innovation Policy", Astana, Kazakhstan, 19 April 2013. [\[Read more\]](#)
- International Workshops on Intellectual Property and Innovation, organized by the State Intellectual Property Service of Ukraine and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Kiev and Odessa, Ukraine, 25-26 March and 28-29 March 2013 [\[Read more\]](#)
- The 9th INSME Annual Meeting on "The governance of innovation: building an innovative eco-system for SMEs, Izmir, Turkey, 21 – 24 May 2013 [\[Read more\]](#)

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