

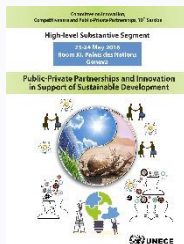


Knowledge - Based Development Newsletter

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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.

Innovation and PPPs in support of Sustainable Development



Fostering innovation is an important part of sustainable development goal 9 in the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Beyond that, achieving most if not all of the sustainable development goals requires massive investments in innovation. The tenth session of the Committee on Innovation, Competitiveness and Public-Private Partnerships (CICPPPs), held on 23-25 of May, 2016

discussed how innovation policies can contribute to achieving national priorities for sustainable development, with the focus on people, planet and prosperity and people-first Public-Private Partnerships. [\[Read more\]](#)

UNECE supports Belarus in promoting innovation for sustainable development



UNECE is assisting Belarus to better align its innovation policies with national development objectives, with a particular focus on promoting innovation as a way to implement the 2030 UN Sustainable Development

Agenda. A Team of experts under the guidance of UNECE undertook a fact-finding mission in Minsk on 14-18 March 2016. Its findings will contribute to the publication of the second Innovation Performance Review of Belarus. The review will identify options to further advance Belarus' sustainable development priorities, in particular with regards to innovative policies for the diffusion of green technologies. It will also assess progress made since 2011 about the reforms in the legal and institutional framework for innovation, transfer of technologies, access to finance, and the role of SMEs in innovation. [\[Read more\]](#)

UNECE Innovation Performance Review of Ukraine: impact on S&T and innovation policies and prospects of future co-operation



The UNECE Innovation Performance Review of Ukraine was prepared in 2013 by the group of international experts with support of Ukrainian specialists. Economic crisis and political problems of the previous two years had negative impact on Research and Development (R&D) sector and innovation activities when key efforts were concentrated on social and economic reforms. Therefore Ukraine was interested in the more comprehensive implementation of the recommendations of the Innovation Performance Review of Ukraine and the country expects to continue co-operation with UNECE in the sphere of S&T and innovation policy in the future say Igor Yegorov, Professor of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine and Victor Shovkaluyk, Department Head, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine. [\[Read more\]](#)

UNECE Innovation Performance Review of Kazakhstan: outcomes and challenges



In 2012 year, UNECE prepared a Review of Kazakhstan's innovative development with recommendations that provided a basis for many strategies and policy documents in the field of science, technology and innovation development. The country has put great efforts into development of innovation ecosystem. In the World Economic Forum's Global Competitiveness Ranking 2015-2016 Kazakhstan was ranked 42nd. However, enhancing human competences is one of the main challenges Kazakhstan is facing nowadays, writes Yelena Shevchenko [\[Read more\]](#)

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Recent event Committee on Innovation, Competitiveness and Public-Private Partnerships, Geneva, Switzerland, 23-25 May 2016

Upcoming events

Ninth session of the Team of Specialists on Innovation and Competitiveness Policies, Geneva, Switzerland, 3-4 November 2016

Eighth session of the SPECA Thematic Working Group on Knowledge-based Development, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 22 September 2016