Innovation for Sustainable Development Review (I4SDR) of Uzbekistan

Project Overview and Initial Findings
The Innovation for Sustainable Development Review (I4SDR) is one of UNECE’s flagship publications;

The I4SDR reviews innovation policy governance and mechanisms of a country and provides recommendations and policy options to:
- Stimulate innovation activity in the country;
- Enhance innovation capacity;
- Improve the overall efficiency of the national innovation system;

Methods of work involves:
- International experts;
- Collaboration with authorities and wide involvement of local experts;
- Elective chapters to complement core chapters.
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- Significant progress in recent years, Uzbekistan has shown strong political commitment to economic reform, sustainable development and innovation policy.
- Uzbekistan is among the few countries posting positive overall growth in 2020.
- Imperative now, is to keep up this momentum and strengthen economic resilience for long-term sustainable development – to which innovation is key.
- Uzbekistan has significant, but not fully leveraged potential for innovation.
- To ensure the effectiveness of policies in place, reviewing recently introduced initiatives ahead of the new innovation strategy will be important.
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- Making sure as many people try out as many new things as possible, examine what is happening, detect the opportunities and remove constraints.
- This requires maintaining efforts to create a vibrant and resilient private sector, including building absorptive capacity of private sector.
- Ensure efficient innovation policy coordination, allowing for the integration and cooperation between all policies areas that impact innovation.
- Provide effective support and sufficient access to resources and services within the innovation infrastructure to SMEs, entrepreneurs and start-ups across sectors for experimenting with new ideas for creating value.
- Develop public and private capacities and linkages to ensure knowledge transfer and technology upgrading for innovation.
Project timeline

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Thank you!

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