



## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON KNOWLEDGE-BASED DEVELOPMENT

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**in cooperation with the Secretariat of the Commonwealth of Independent States, the UN Development Programme Office in Belarus and the Belarusian Institute of System Analysis and Information Support of the Scientific and Technical Sphere**

Venue: "BELARUS" Hotel, Storozhevskaya str. 15

### PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

#### Wednesday, 10 June 2009

**9.00 – 10.00**

Registration of participants

**10.00 – 12.00    OPENING SESSION**

Welcoming addresses:

**Mr. Andrey Vasilyev**, Director, UNECE Economic Cooperation and Integration Division

**Mr. Vladimir Matiushkov**, Chairman of the State Committee for Science and Technology of the Republic of Belarus

**Mr. Vladimir Garkun**, First Deputy Chairman of the CIS Executive Committee – CIS Executive Secretary

**Ms. Liudmila Istomina**, UNDP Office in Belarus.

#### **Opening presentations:**

**Mr. Rumen Dobrinsky**, Chief, Innovative Policies Development Section UNECE Economic Cooperation and Integration Division, *"Good Practices and Policies for Promoting Knowledge-Based Development. Overview of the Objectives and Achievements of the UNECE Subprogramme on Economic Cooperation and Integration"*

**Dr. Vladimir Matiushkov**, Chairman of the State Committee for Science and Technology of the Republic of Belarus, *"Science, Technology and Innovation Policy in Belarus"*

**Mr. Andrey Kyshnirenko**, Director of the Department for Economic Cooperation, CIS Executive Committee, *"The Strategy of CIS Economic Development till 2020 and the Main Tasks of its Realization in the Context of Innovative Development"*

**12.00 - 14.00 Lunch**

**14.00 - 18.00 SESSION 1. CREATING A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR INNOVATIVE DEVELOPMENT**

**Moderator:** **Mr. Rumen Dobrinsky**, Chief, Innovative Policies Development Section  
UNECE Economic Cooperation and Integration Division

**14.00 – 15:30 Presentations by invited speakers**

**Dr. Liana Marina Ranga**, Senior Lecturer, University of Newcastle Business School, U.K.,  
*“National and Regional Innovation Systems and Policies for Development: From ‘Learning Regions’ to Research-Intensive Clusters”*

**Dr. Malcolm Parry**, Managing Director, Surrey Research Park, U.K., *“Innovation Support Institutions: Good Practices in Managing Business Incubators and Science Parks”*

**Mr. Andrea di Anselmo**, Vice President META Group, Italy, *“Innovation Support - Challenges and Solutions. The Experience of Regional Innovation Strategies in NAC (Newly Associated Countries) Regions”*

**15.30 – 15:45 Coffee break**

**15.45 – 17:30 Presentations**

**Dr. Igor Voytov**, Deputy Chairman, State Committee for Science and Technology of the Republic of Belarus, *“The State Programme of Innovative Development of Belarus for 2007-2010 and Creation of the National Innovation System”*

**Prof. Sergey Ablameyko**, Rector, Belarusian State University, *“Belarusian State University in the Scientific and Innovation Context”*

**Mr. Dmytro Lyapin**, Chairman of the Board, Property and Freedom Institute (PFI), Ukraine, *“The Experience of Ukraine”*

**Mr. Erkin Atabekov**, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kyrgyz Republic, *“National Innovation System and Information Resources Development in the Kyrgyz Republic”*

**Ms. Diana Stratulat**, Ministry of Economy and Trade of the Republic of Moldova, *“Policies and Opportunities for Innovations in the Republic of Moldova”*

**Ms. Lianna Mkrtchian**, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Armenia, *“The Experience of Armenia”*

**Mr. Odilkhuja Parpiev**, Head of Department, Committee for Coordination of Science and Technological Development, Uzbekistan, *“The System of Support to R&D and Innovation in Uzbekistan”*

**Prof. Nina Bogdan**, Dean of the Faculty of Finance and Banks, Belarusian State Economics University, *“The National Innovation System in the Context of Creating a Knowledge-based Economy”*

**17.30 – 18:00 General discussion**

**18.15 – 20.15 Reception for Conference speakers at the invitation of the State Committee for Science and Technology of the Republic of Belarus and other local co-organizers, “Belarus” Hotel, 21th floor.**

**Thursday, 11 June 2009****9.00 - 13.00      SESSION 2. FINANCING INNOVATION****Moderator:**      **Mr. José Palacín**, UNECE Economic Cooperation and Integration Division**9.00 – 10:30      Presentations by invited speakers****Dr. Dimo Dimov**, Associate Professor of Management, School of Business, University of Connecticut, USA, *“The Landscape for Early-Stage Financing of Innovative Companies”***Mr. Andrea di Anselmo**, Vice President META Group, Italy, *“Talents and Risk Taking to Boost Knowledge Intensive Economy”***Mr. Jacek Błoński**, Vice-President of the European Business Angel Network (EBAN) and CEO of Lewiatan Business Angels (Poland), *“Business Angels – an Alternative Source of Financing Innovative SMEs”***10.30 – 11:00      Coffee break****11.00 – 12:30      Presentations****Dr. Vladimir Nedilko**, First Deputy Chairman, State Committee for Science and Technology of the Republic of Belarus, *“Financing innovations in Belarus”***Dr. Andrey Markov**, Deputy Director, Institute of Economics, National Academy of Sciences of Belarus, *“Financial Mechanism of Stimulating Innovation Processes in Belarus”***Mr. Anatoli Hryshanovich**, Director, Belarusian Innovation Foundation, *“BIF’s Capacity for Supporting Innovation Activities in Belarus”***Mr. Igor Yemelyanovich**, Technical Director-Deputy Director General on Development, Minsk Tractor Plant, Belarus, *“Investment and Innovation Activities of Minsk Tractor Plant and the Enterprise Competitiveness”***Prof. Baris Husakov**, Belarusian National Technical University, *“Partnership Concepts in Risky Innovative Activities in Belarus”***Mr. Doniyor Ubaydullaev**, Chief Specialist, Committee for Coordination of Science and Technological Development, Uzbekistan, *“Promoting Innovative Projects and New Technologies through Annual Trade Fairs: The Experience of Uzbekistan”***12.30 – 13:00      General discussion****13.00 - 14.00      Lunch**

**14.00 - 18.00      SESSION 3. COMMERCIALIZATION AND PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

**Moderator:**      **Mr. Ralph Heinrich**, UNECE Economic Cooperation and Integration Division

**14.00 – 15:30      Presentations by invited speakers**

**Mr. Victor Korsun**, Deputy Executive Director (USA), STCU-Science and Technology Center in Ukraine, *“Good practices in Technology Transfer, Business Planning and Commercialization of Intellectual Property”*

**Mr. Serguei Zotine**, World Intellectual Property Organization, Geneva, *“WIPO`s Activities in Support of Innovation Development”*

**15.30 – 16:00      Coffee break**

**16.00 – 17:30      Presentations**

**Mr. Evgeny Sesitski**, National Centre of Intellectual Property, Republic of Belarus, *“Economic and Legal Aspects of Introducing Objects of Intellectual Property in Civil Turnover”*

**Mr. Zahir Hajiyev**, State Committee on Standardization, Metrology and Patents Science, Republic of Azerbaijan, *“Protection of Intellectual Property in Azerbaijan”*

**Mr. Irakli Khursidze**, Georgian Intellectual Property Center “Sakpatenti”, *“Commercialization and Protection of Intellectual Property in Georgia”*

**Dr. Yuri Alekseev**, Director General, Scientific and Technological Park “METOLIT” at Belarusian State Technical University, *“Commercialization of Technologies and Development of Small Innovative Entrepreneurship in Belarus”*

**Ms. Marinat Bapiyeva**, Managing Director, National Centre of Scientific and Technical Information of Kazakhstan, *“Commercialization of Intellectual Property in Kazakhstan”*

**Dr. Alexander Yspensky**, Director, Republican Center of Technology Transfer, Minsk, *“Support for Technology Transfer and Commercialization in Belarus: State-of-the-art, Problems and Ways to Address Them”*

**Ms. Aiana Tokbaeva**, Department of International Economic Cooperation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Kyrgyz Republic, *“Protection of Intellectual Property in the Kyrgyz Republic”*.

**17.30 – 18:00      General discussion**

**Friday, 12 June 2009****9.00 - 13.00      SESSION 4. PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS AND INNOVATIVE DEVELOPMENT**

**Moderator:**      **Mr. Geoffrey Hamilton**, Chief, Cooperation and Partnerships Section  
UNECE Economic Cooperation and Integration Division

**9.00 – 10:30      Presentations by invited speakers**

**Mr. Geoffrey Hamilton**, Chief, Cooperation and Partnerships Section UNECE Economic Cooperation and Integration Division, *“Public-Private Partnerships and the Importance of Multilateral Cooperation”*

**Mr. Valdas Vitkauskas**, EBRD Office in Minsk, *“Establishing the Right Legal and Regulatory Framework for Public-Private Partnerships”*

**Mr. Anthony Pearce**, Honorary Director General, International Road Federation, Geneva, Switzerland, *“Public-Private Partnerships in the Transport Sector”*

**Mr. Arthur L. Smith**, President, Management Analysis Incorporated, U.S.A., *“The case of Public-Private Partnerships in the new Obama Administration of the United States”*

**10.30 – 11:00      Coffee break****11.00 – 12:30      Presentations**

**Dr. Piotr Nikitenko**, Academician of NASB, Director, Institute of Economics, National Academy of Sciences of Belarus, *“Public-Private Partnership Relations in the Innovation Sphere of the Republic of Belarus”*

**Prof. Irina Novikova**, Academy of Management at the President of Belarus *“Private-Public Partnership in the Republic of Korea and Opportunities to Use the Korean Experience in Belarus”*

**Dr. Olga Apatenko**, Consultant-Adviser to Member of Ukrainian Parliament, VERHOVNA RADA, Ukraine, *“Prospects of Public-Private Partnerships in Ukraine”*

**Prof. Evgeny Naumov**, Centre for Science Research and Statistics, Moscow, Russian Federation, *“PPPs in Innovation Sphere: Institutional Relations and Legal Norms”*

**Ms. Daria Zanoga**, Ministry of Economy and Trade of the Republic of Moldova, *“Legal and Regulatory Framework for PPPs in the Republic of Moldova”*

**Ms. Marina Gulyamova**, Free-lance road transport expert, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, *“Information on PPPs in Uzbekistan”*

**Mr. Vache Kirakosyan**, Head of High Tech and IT Department, Ministry of Economy, Armenia, *“Public-Private Partnerships for Innovation Development in Armenia”*

**12.30 – 13:00      General discussion****13.00 - 14.00      Lunch****14.00 - 18.00      STUDY TOUR**

Visit to the Belarusian **High Tech Park (Buses start from “Belarus” Hotel)**