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**Multi-stakeholder policy discussion on the main
outcomes of the
Innovation Performance Review of Kazakhstan**

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Chapter 4 “Knowledge generation”

- The statistics for 2010 is available on the website of Kazakhstan Agency for Statistics. The experts could include fresh data in the review;
- The measures to increase R&D spending:
 - 150% tax deduction on R&D spending for companies;
 - Natural-resource based companies are to spend 1% of their revenues on R&D;
 - more types of innovation grants for companies on matching principle;
 - Samruk Kazyna added chapter dedicated to innovation in its corporate strategy;
 - Subsidiary companies of Samruk Kazyna spend up to 10% of their net profit on innovation;
- Launch of technology programs from 2012;
- Kasipkor holding was established in summer 2011;

Suggestion:

We would really appreciate if the experts supplement the review with additional instruments on how to increase the interest of the private companies in R&D.

Chapter 5 “Industry-science linkages and collaboration in the innovation process”

- Despite all the previous initiatives the linkages are still weak and here we have to fully admit the experts’ assessment;
- Ministry of **industry** and new technology becomes a coordinator of the innovation process;
- Analytical center at NIF conducts annually the evaluation of overall National Innovation System;
- Launch of technology programs from 2012;
- Developing the network of commercialization offices;
- Technical regulation and standardization as a tool of innovation stimulation;

Suggestion:

We would really appreciate if the experts supplement the review with the international practice on how to use technical regulation and standardization to stimulate innovation activity

Chapter 6 “Innovation support institutions”

- The most of the innovation support institutions are established;
- Government defined 5 institutions of innovation development (NIF, CETT, SF, KAI, CZHKH);
- Since SPAIID was signed all the institutions directed to support the innovation-intensive projects;
- The review could contain information about all these institutions (KCM, IFK, KazNex, KIDI, NadLoc, KDB, Damu, others) and their role in NIS;
- Establishing regional VC funds;
- Establishing technoparks in all the regions of the country;
- Technology agreements and design offices as technology commercialization instrument;
- New Law on SEZs was signed in summer 2011: more tax incentives, foreign managing company.

Chapter 6 “Innovation support institutions” (cont.)

- Economic assessment of the projects is required;
- Innovation grants are given as matching funds;
- 25 offices of technology commercialization will be opened till 2014 (already opened 9);
- Innovation management major is available in universities since 2011

Suggestion:

We would really appreciate if the experts supplement the review with the information on missing elements of the National innovation system. Also it would be really useful if the experts defined the role of existing institutions in NIS and their goals and possible KPIs.

Thank you!

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