Status of Programme Implementation

Capacity-building Activities


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Mandates & principles

Terms of Reference
CECI Sessions (1-6)

3 characteristics:
• Demand-driven
• Direct linkages between policy recommendations and activities
• Cooperation and partnership with CECI Teams of Specialists and international organizations
Five areas of capacity-building

Innovation and competitiveness policies/Financing innovative development

Commercialization and protection of Intellectual property rights

Public-private partnerships

Entrepreneurship and enterprise development

Fostering wider and deeper international economic integration in the UNECE region (SPECA & Biomass)
51 capacity-building events in 21 countries
(Sept. 2011 – Nov. 2012)

Trained over 4,800 people

Prepared training tools and materials
Innovation and competitiveness policies/Financing innovative development

Trained total of 500 policymakers and experts

Organized 8 capacity-building events in 5 countries

Direct links between CECI policy recommendations (i.e. Innovation Performance Review) and their implementations in the country
Commercialization and protection of intellectual property rights

Trained over 550 policymakers and experts

Organized 8 capacity-building events in 5 countries

Strong emphasis on IP and Competition Policy, and IP valuation
Public-private partnerships

Trained over 1,700 policymakers and experts

Organized 14 events in 9 countries, some events had global coverage

Helped develop PPP programmes in the economies in transition, CIS and Southeast European countries
Entrepreneurship and enterprise development

Trained total of 475 policymakers and experts

Organized 3 events in 3 countries

Deepened understanding of policymakers on options to foster innovative entrepreneurship
UN Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA)

- Strengthening regional cooperation in Central Asia and integrating the region into the world economy
- Supporting SPECA Project Working Group on Knowledge-based Development
- Conducting capacity-building activities in knowledge-based development
- Organizing economic forums
- Trained over 550 policymakers and experts
Demand-driven capacity-building
Using CECI expertise in different thematic areas

• International Conference on Knowledge-based Development and Innovative Entrepreneurship, Baku, November 2011
• Seminar on Information and Communication Technology Policy and Legal Issues for the Heads of Ministries and Agencies of Turkmenistan, Ashgabat, June 2012
SPECA Project Working Group on Knowledge-based Development

New UN Development Account Project on Green Technologies

- Support integrated policymaking on green technology for climate change adaptation
- Practical training on financing of innovative green technology projects through PPP
- Prepare national assessments
- Organized the Joint National Seminar and Stakeholder Meeting on Promotion and financing of Innovative Green Technologies, Bishkek, 7-9 November 2012
SPECA Economic Forums

• 2011 SPECA Economic Forum, “20 Years of Regional Economic Cooperation and Integration in Central Asia: Successes, Challenges and Prospects”, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, November 2011

• 2012 SPECA Economic Forum "Strengthening Regional Economic Cooperation and Integration in Central Asia by Sharing the Asian Experience”, Bangkok, November 2012
Support to Russian biomass sector

- Technical cooperation project – supporting development of all aspects of the biomass sector in the UNECE region
- Facilitating introduction of innovative technologies in biomass sector
- Organized 11 events and trained 1,058 policymakers and experts
- 10 Russian regions already showed interest in developing regional biomass action plans based on UNECE blueprint
- Other member States expressing interest
Forthcoming capacity-building activities in 2013

• Seminars and Stakeholder Meetings on Promoting Financing of Innovative Green Technologies, in Turkmenistan and in another SPECA member country

• International Conference on Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Dubrovnik, May

• Field-based activities to support the implementation of the recommendations of the Innovation Performance Review, during 2013

• PPP readiness assessments in countries with economies in transition
The way forward

• Responding to growing demand for capacity-building activities subject to the availability of resources
• Seeking synergies between policy-oriented & normative activities and capacity-building activities
• Fundraising
• Exploring links between different thematic areas of work
• Working closely with CECI Teams of Specialists and networks of experts
• Deepening cooperation with other international and partner organizations
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