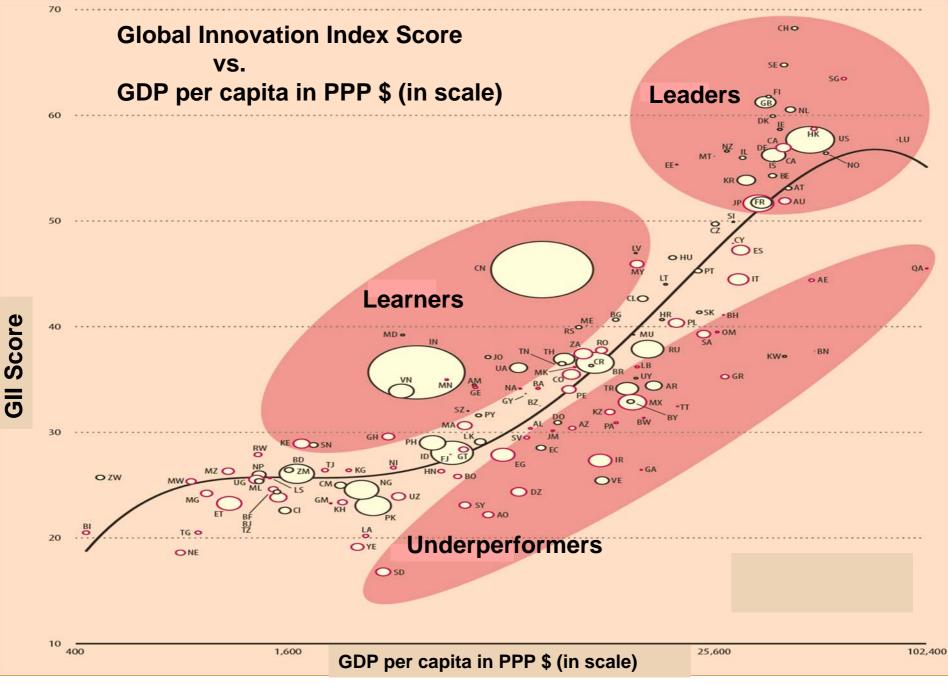
Report of the Multi-year Expert Meeting on

Enterprise Development Policies and Capacity-building in Science, Technology and Innovation

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Source: INSEAD and WIPO (2012) The Global Innovation Index 2012

MYEM on Enterprise Development Policies and Capacity-building in Science, Technology and Innovation

First cycle (2009-2012)

Terms of Reference (TD/B/55/9)

- "To highlight lessons of successful (and unsuccessful) experience (..),
- effective ways to apply science, technology and innovation (STI) capacitybuilding to development, and
- how countries (...) improve the productivity, innovation and competitiveness of their enterprises through transfer and diffusion of technology and the promotion of innovation,
- taking into account the results of UNCTAD's STIP reviews."

Participation

- 116 panellists contributed with their case studies, experiences and analysis to the interactive discussions
- Over 110 states participated in at least one of the sessions







Discussions

- **2009** Policies to promote productivity and competitiveness, reduce poverty and stimulate economic growth
 - Identified the fundamental elements for establishing an enabling STI environment
- **2010** Comprehensive STI policy frameworks and indicators
 - Encouraged UNCTAD to further its research and policy analysis on STI issues including through conducting reviews of national STI policies
- **2011** Policies and practices to reinforce science and technology education
 - Identified some best practices in cooperation between academia and enterprises
- **2012** Technology and innovation strategies relevant to poor regions and communities
 - Confirmed the suitability of national systems of innovation approaches to help ensure STI policy is part of national development strategies and relevant to local economic conditions

Overall outcome

Conclusions

- STI policy frameworks that correspond to the needs of developing countries are required
- Importance of building all the elements of innovation systems
- The cross-cutting, inter-sector and interdisciplinary nature of the STI demands the participation of all development stakeholders.
- To sustain national development strategies policy solutions require targeted yet concerted approaches
- The lack of STI indicators remains a persistent problem for monitoring and assessing STI policy

Overall outcome

- Formulation of a new, more articulated framework for the implementation of technical cooperation in the field of STI policy
 - A Framework for Science, Technology and Innovation Policy Reviews (UNCTAD/DTL/STICT/2011/7)



A guide for UNCTAD's technical assistance programme on building STI capacity

Overall outcome

- Member Governments have requested UNCTAD to provide technical cooperation support in STI policy.
 - Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (STIP) Reviews



Ad-hoc, needs-based training workshops





Next?

- MYEM on Investment, Innovation and Entrepreneurship for Productive Capacity-Building and Sustainable Development
 - Second cycle (2013-2015)
 - To focus on operational issues:
 - How to implement innovation policies in developing countries?

Draft Terms of Reference

- •Continuation of pre-Doha multi-year expert meetings
- Expanding the scope of the expert deliberation to the new topics of the Doha mandate
 Applying the outcome tools of the previous multi-year expert meetings, including UNCTAD's framework for science, technology and innovation policy
- Support network of STI policy makers in developing countries
- Collection of best practices

Thank you