



POLICY LESSONS FROM PROMOTING SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION FOR DEVELOPMENT

**Side Event organised by UNCTAD during the
High-Level Segment of ECOSOC's Annual Ministerial Review**

**11:00-13:00, Thursday, 4 July 2013
Room XXVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva**

As the need for knowledge-based alternatives to finance-led development strategies becomes more evident, UNCTAD provides strategic advice on science, technology and innovation (STI) policy to developing countries, among others, through national STI Policy Reviews.

STI Policy Reviews are undertaken at the request of members States and comprise an extensive review and evaluation of the national innovation system and the presentation of policy options to national STI policy makers and other stakeholders. The outcome of the analysis, diagnosis and policy options formulation process is documented in a STI Policy Review report which sets out an action plan for the consideration of the Government.

This event will discuss the design and implementation of national STI policies and present some conclusions regarding lessons learnt and good practices to ensure increased effectiveness in the design and implementation of STI policies in developing countries.

The discussion will draw on UNCTAD's accumulated experience in conducting STI policy reviews, as well as on the national experience of Ghana and other international experiences.

PROGRAMME

11.00 UNCTAD's Science, Technology and Innovation Policy Reviews: main lessons learnt

Ms. Anne Miroux, Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD

11.30 Ghana's experience in promoting science, technology and innovation

Dr. George Essegbey, Director, Science and Technology Policy Research Institute (CSIR-STEPRI), Ghana

12.00 International experiences in implementing science, technology and innovation policies

Dr. Jean-Eric Aubert, International Expert on STI policies

12.30 Open discussion

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