



Multi-Stakeholder Workshop on the Roadmap to Support STI Parks in Uzbekistan

Programme

6 May – 8 May 2025

Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Venue: Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation of the Republic of Uzbekistan, 100174, Tashkent city, Almazor district, University street, 7th house
2nd floor, room 221

Objective. The Multi-Stakeholder Workshop on Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Park Policies and Practices aims to advance the development of STI parks in Uzbekistan by fostering stakeholder consensus on the way forward, building on insights from previous capacity-building workshops in China and Uzbekistan. The workshop will support the development of a draft STI park roadmap and action plan, ensuring alignment with national innovation priorities. It will focus on international best practices, financial and non-financial support mechanisms, technology transfer and commercialization, incubation and acceleration, investment attraction and multi-stakeholder collaboration. Through expert presentations, case studies and interactive discussions, participants will engage in identifying challenges, proposing solutions and strengthening partnerships to enhance the effectiveness and sustainability of STI parks in Uzbekistan.

Target audience. This multi-stakeholder workshop will bring together key actors involved in STI park development and policymaking in Uzbekistan, including:

- Policymakers, including representatives from the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology, the Ministry of Industry, the Ministry of Finance and other relevant government agencies
- STI park managers, incubator and accelerator operators, including representatives from full-fledged STI parks, technology parks, innovation hubs, incubators, start-up studios, industrial techno-parks and special economic zones or free trade zones hosting STI-related activities
- Industry representatives, such as members of industrial associations
- Startups and firms operating in STI parks, incubators and accelerators
- Women entrepreneurs' Association and Youth entrepreneurs' Association
- Academia, researchers and experts engaged in STI-focused policy and STI park development

The diverse mix of participants will help strengthen multi-stakeholder partnerships, which are essential for ensuring the long-term success of STI parks as drivers of innovation-led economic growth in Uzbekistan.

DAY 1: International Best Practices and Lessons for Uzbekistan

08:30–09:00 Arrival and Registration

09:00–09:30 OPENING CEREMONY

- *Welcome Remarks by Mr. Otabek Mukhtarovich Mahkamov, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation, Uzbekistan*
- *Opening remarks by Ms. **Liping ZHANG**, Chief of STI for Development, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD*
- *Special address by Ms. **Sabine MACHL**, UN Resident Coordinator in Uzbekistan*

09:30–11:00 Session 1: Key Elements for successful STI parks

- *Presentation by Mr. **Michael (Zhicheng) WANG**, General Manager, Space Techtronic Industrial Services (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd., China*
- *Discussion and Q&A*

11:00–11:15 Coffee Break

11:15–12:45 Session 2: Key Elements for successful STI parks (cont.)

- *Presentation by Mr. **Jakob LINDVALL**, CEO and Senior Advisor, ALDAB Innovation, Sweden*
- *Discussion and Q&A*

12:45–14:00 Lunch Break

14:00–14:45 Session 3: Uzbekistan's STI Park Policies and Current Landscape

- *Presentation by **Mr. Sarvar Djalalov**, Director, InnoWIUT Entrepreneur's Lab, Uzbekistan, Discussion & Q&A*

14:45–15:45 Session 4: Identifying Areas for Improvement in Uzbekistan's STI Parks

Group Discussion

15:45–16:00 Coffee Break

16:00–17:00 Session 5: Priorities for Uzbekistan's STI Park Roadmap

Plenary Discussion

17:00 *End of Day 1*

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DAY 2: Building the Roadmap Together

09:00–09:30	Arrival and Registration
09:30–11:45	Session 6: Group discussions
11:45–12:00	Coffee Break
12:00–13:00	Group discussions (continued)
13:00–13:45	Lunch Break
14:00 –15:15	Tour to the Inno Techno Park and interaction with start-ups
15:30–15:45	Coffee Break
15:45–16:45	Group discussions (continued)
16:45 – 17:00	Drafting team to prepare the roadmap
17:00	End of Day 2

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DAY 3: Finalization of Roadmap/Action Plan

09:00–09:30	Arrival and Registration
09:30–11:45	Session 7: Reviewing the Draft STI Park Roadmap <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by Mr. Farkhod DJUMAEV, Director-General, National Office for Innovation Implementation and Technology Transfer, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation, Uzbekistan• Open Discussion & Consensus-Building
11:45–12:00	Coffee Break
12:00–12:55	Session 8: Presentation of the Final Roadmap <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Farkhod DJUMAEV, Director-General, National Office for Innovation Implementation and Technology Transfer, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovation, Uzbekistan•
12:55–13:00	Closing remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Liping ZHANG, Chief of STI for Development, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD
13:00	End of the Workshop and lunch