



STI policy framework for harnessing rapid technological changes for sustainable and inclusive development

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Harnessing Rapid Technological Change (The need for Policy framework)

In most theories of the growth from Schumpeter to Solow and Romer technological change is “the engine of growth”. But this change lead to:

Positive effects



- Improves our well-being and life expectancy
- Reduce cost and affordability
- New product and service
- Increases living standards

Negative effects



- Destroys the environment**
- Increases technology gap between youth and old, male and female
- Causes the Job loss and automation
- unequal access to new tech



Theoretical Background For Policy Framework



Three building blocks of policy framework for Harnessing rapid technological changes

1ST Sustainable development oriented national foresight program

The expected results of Iran national foresight program is Setting priorities and promoting innovative technological start-ups as a cultural change.

2ND Restructuring and enhancing innovation ecosystem

- Transition from government related and funded STI system to sustainable development oriented innovation ecosystem is necessary.

3RD Harnessing new technologies through regulation

- The regulatory system role is supporting startups to diffuse innovation in society and encouraging or forcing conventional industries to innovate: e-health, waste,....

1st approach: Sustainable development oriented national foresight program

- I.R Iran's national foresight program has focused on sustainable development challenges such as social innovation, education, water, waste management, energy, health along with food security.
- The expected results of Iran national foresight program is Setting priorities and promoting innovative technological start-ups as a cultural change (business model learning).



1st Approach: approach: Sustainable development oriented national foresight program (Analyzing and promoting new business models and core technologies in global experience of startups)

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The global experiences of startup companies
in the Waste management sector
(Business areas, Core technologies and Business models)

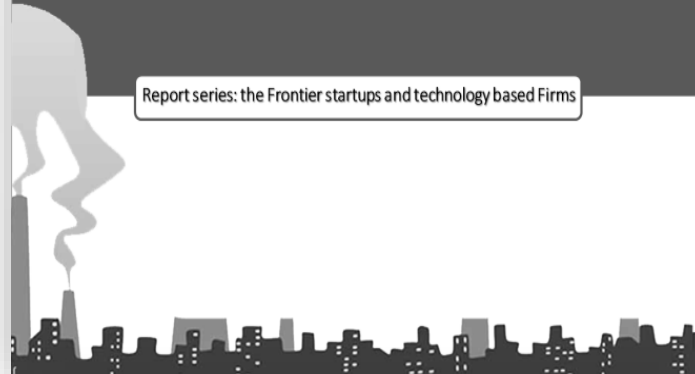
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The global experiences of Startup companies
in the Air Pollution sector
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The global experiences of Startup companies
in the Agriculture sector
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The global experiences of Startup companies
in the Water Resources and drought sector
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The global experiences of Startup companies
in the Social innovation sector
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The global experiences of Startup companies
in the Energy sector
(Business areas, Core technologies and Business models)

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1st Approach: Iran National Foresight Program for SDGs

(Example: International Business Model Learning of digital health)

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Citizens / Patients



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1st Approach: Iran National Foresight Program for SDGs

(Evaluation of global experiences of startups in the field of digital health: Business Model Learning)

2 Health service providers

Advanced diagnostics and care	      
knowledge management	      

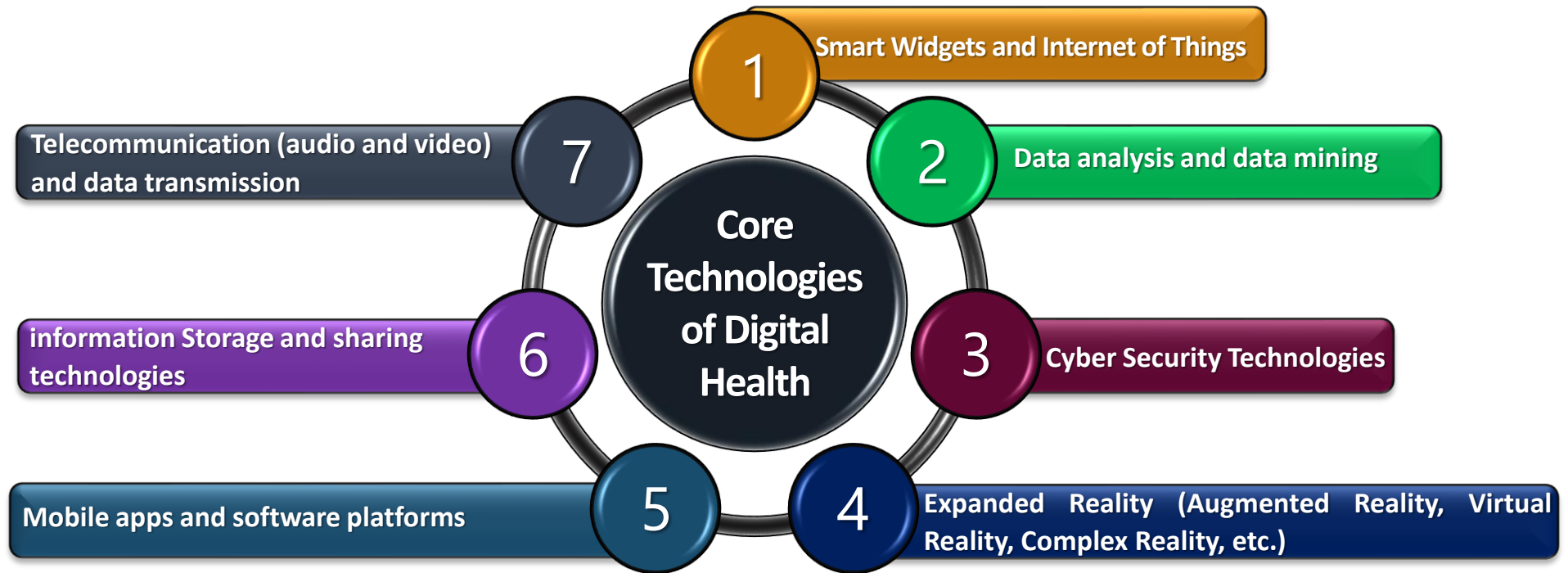
3 Health education system

Educational services	   
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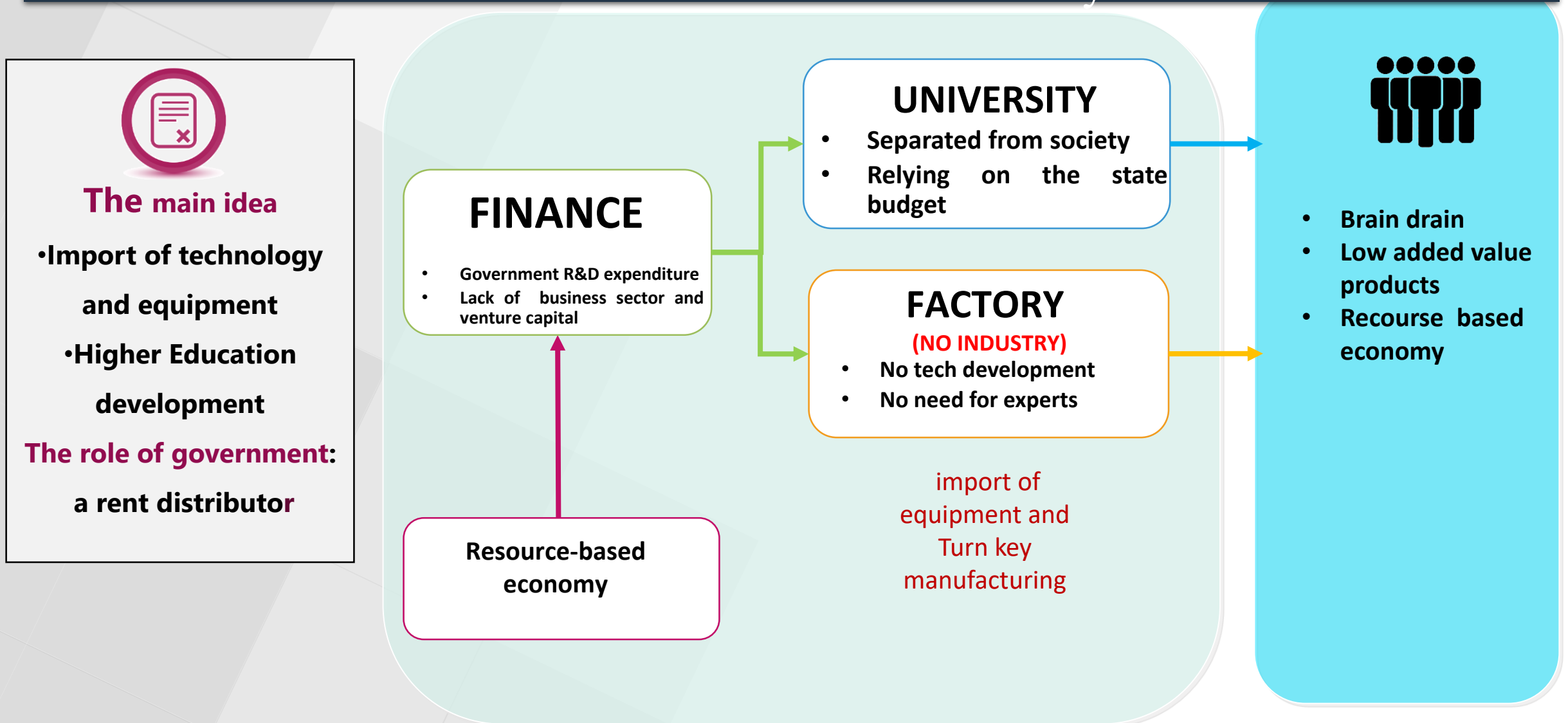
1st Approach: Iran National Foresight Program for SDGs

(Evaluation of global experiences of startups in the field of digital health: Business Model Learning)

Core Technologies of Digital Health based on benchmarking



2nd Approach: Restructuring and enhancing innovation ecosystem: Government related and funded STI system



2nd Approach: Restructuring and enhancing innovation ecosystem



The main idea

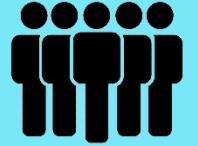
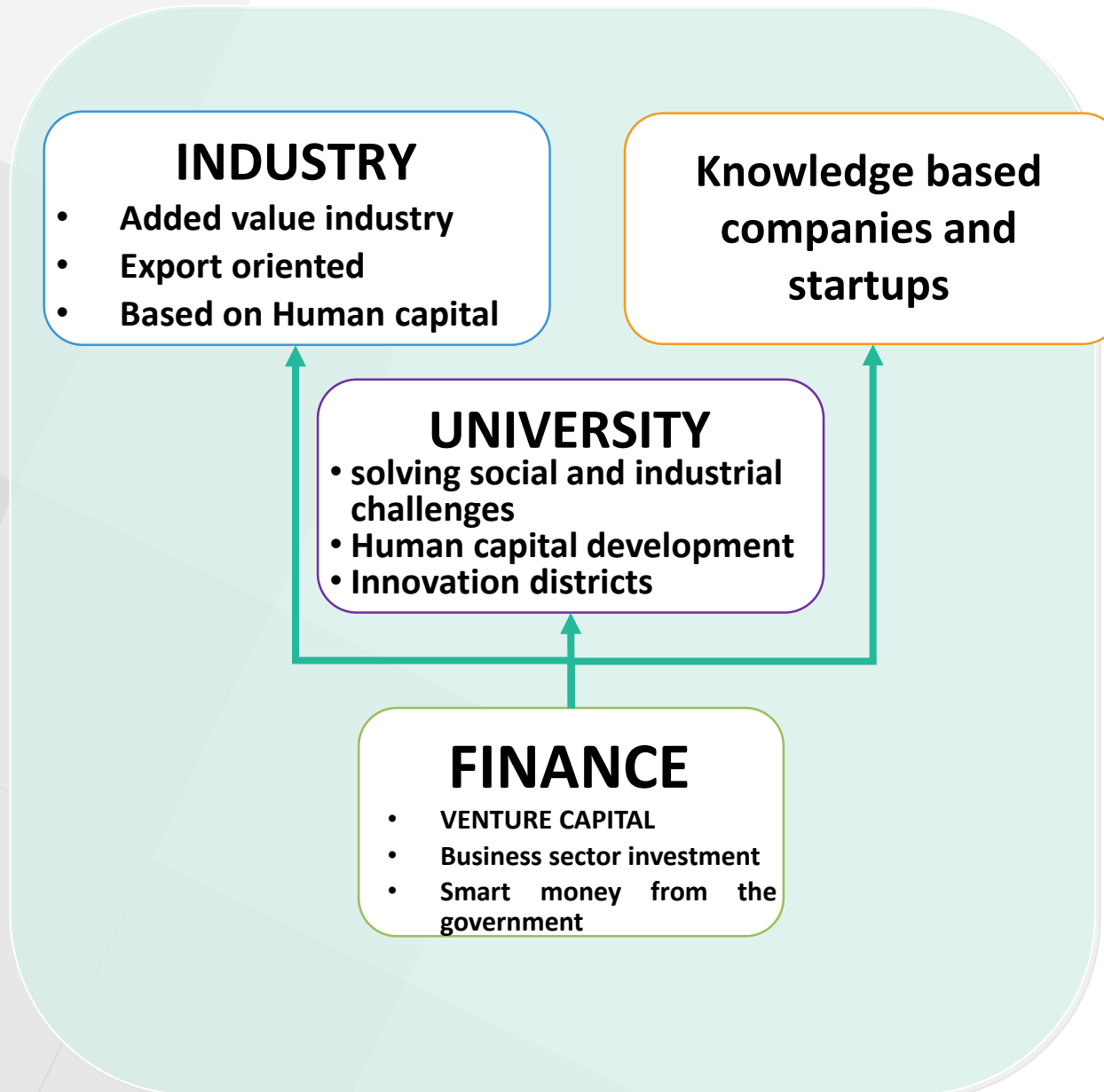
Innovation ecosystem

The role of

government:

Entrepreneurial state

Facilitator

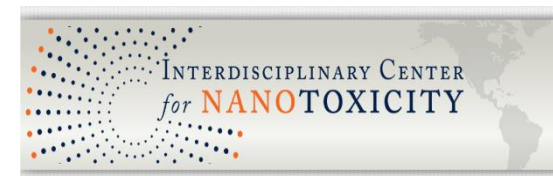


OUTCOME

- Knowledge based economy
- Development
- Competitiveness
- Brain Circulation

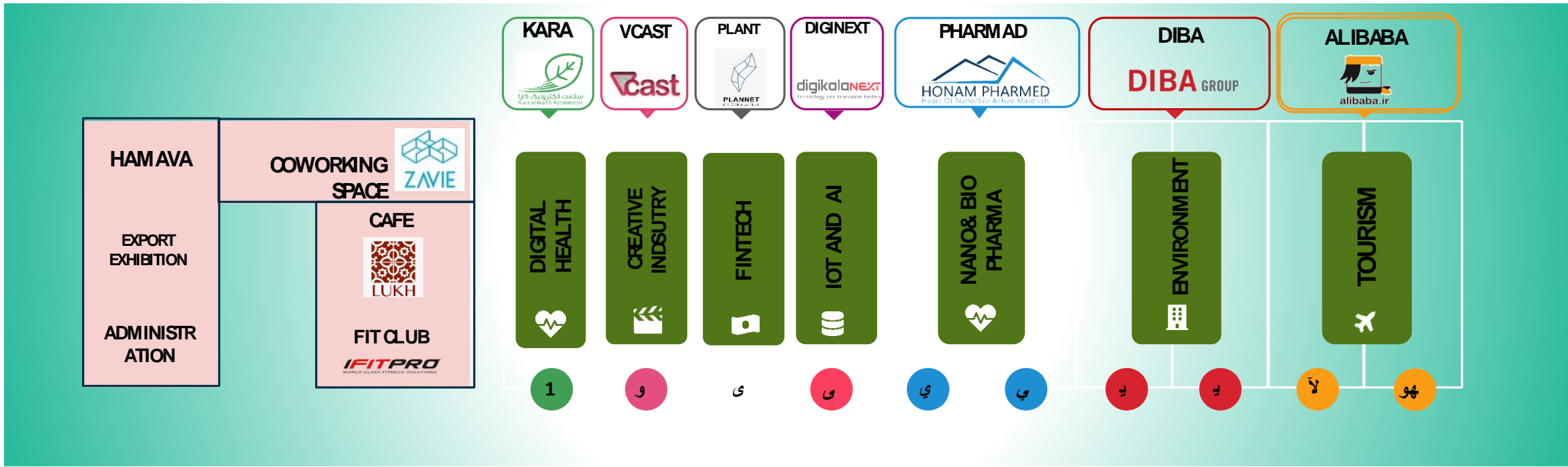
2nd approach: Restructuring and enhancing innovation ecosystem

- The first pillar of the knowledge-based economy is human capital development in innovation centers and accelerators.
- Second pillar of the ecosystem is financial resources through VC mechanisms.
- SDGs oriented VCs and accelerators to support entrepreneurship in priority areas





AZADI INNOVATION FACTORY



9 Acceleratore

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FACTORY

500 Team

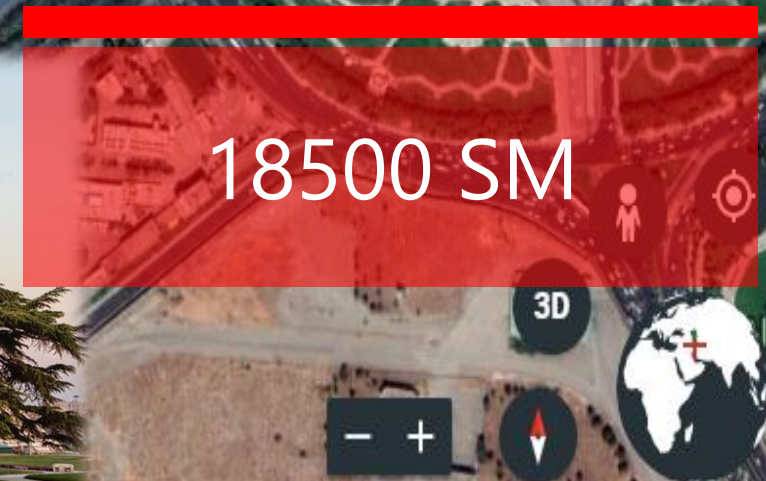
Homa Educational

2500 new jobs

18500 SM

✓ Innovation Factory is the biggest accelerator (infrastructure) in Iran in area of 18 500 square meters to provide start-ups with a variety of incentives to facilitate the innovation process.

✓ At the moment, more the 2500 entrepreneurs are innovating in the Innovation Factory!



2nd approach: Building innovation ecosystem (the case of health technology ecosystem:Bio tech)

GLOBAL INNOVATION INDEX 2019

Creating Healthy Lives—The Future of Medical Innovation



universities
and public
research
organization

11 health
technology
accelerators
created by
private
sectors



Technology
trends



Corporate accelerator

vpst

ministry of
health

ministry of
industry



business environment,
supports tech
development, regulation



VCS

innovation
prosperity
fund

national
development
fund

more than
100 NTBF



Big firms



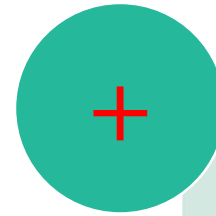
startups and
technology
firms

LOW COST PRODUCTS and SERVICES INCLUSIVENESS
AND AFFORDABILITY

3rd approach: harnessing new technologies through regulation

(regulation of Iranian Transportation Network Companies (TNCs):Iranian Uber's!!!)

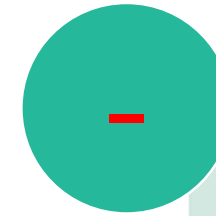
- Policymakers should understand the pros and cons of new technologies
- update the regulation in favor of sustainable development and innovation.



Low cost services

JOB CREATION

Smart services including pricing



the impact of these platforms on traffic

the rights of drivers

the quality of jobs created and promoted

companies that do not classify their drivers as employees.

the case of competition and trust

3rd approach: harnessing new technologies through regulation

(regulation of Iranian Transportation Network Companies (TNCs))

- A unique aspect of this process is the close collaboration of VPST and TNCs to develop an innovation ecosystem
- Planning to leverage the capacity and market of TNCs to shape a green transportation and electronic vehicles industry in Iran.
- In this case TNCs provide incentives for the riders who use e-vehicles



OLD SCHOOL CURB SIDE COLLECTION

VS

WITH THE HELP OF STARTUPS

Unique Applications



Waste separation
from source

Collection and transfer
to segregation centers

Washing and
separating

Transfer to industries
as raw materials

Sustainable income for
both citizens and local
governments



Iranian startups and tech companies related to waste treatment

recycling

recycling	disposal	incineration	compost

Educational and cultural issues and waste collection

Screening and segregation



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