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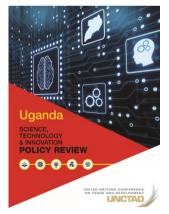
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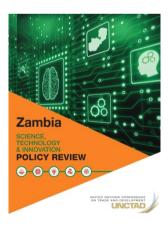
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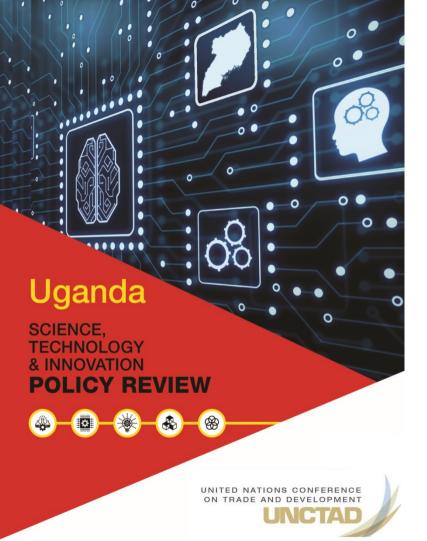
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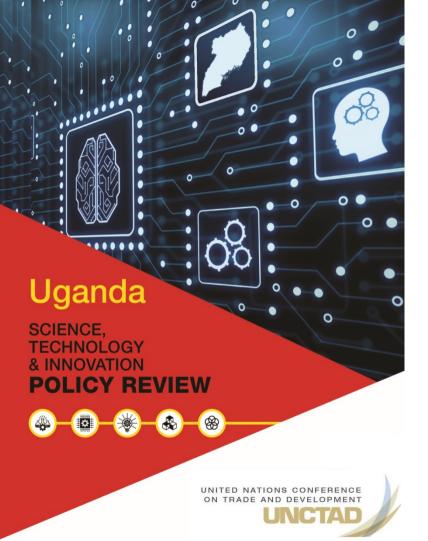




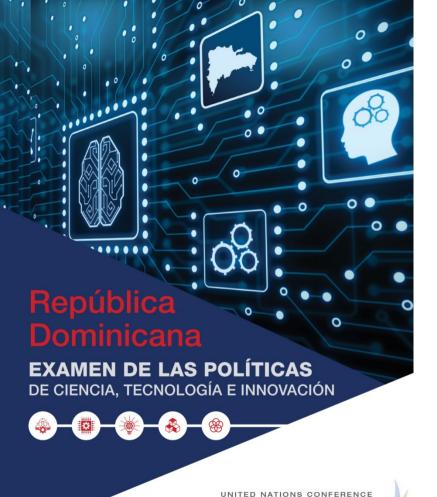




- Broad consultations, three missions, fourday national workshops
- Enabled a draft proposal for a National STI Policy for Uganda
- Capacity building central to the STIP process in Uganda
- Possible piloting an e-learning platform in Q4 2021

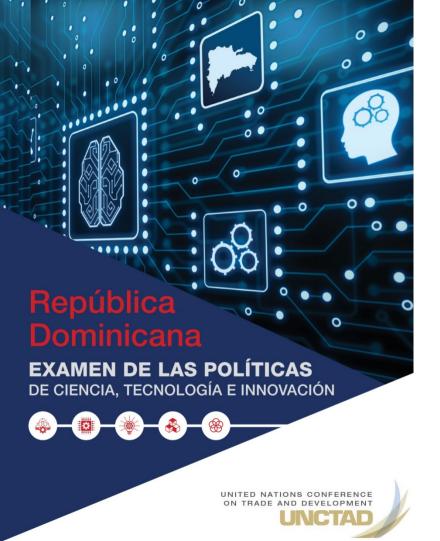


- Vision 2040 sets high standards, aspirations
- Uganda will need to use STI in to:
 - Drive growth through higher productivity
 - Stimulate export diversification
- Technology transfer processes will need to shift towards the innovation end of STI processes
- SDGs provide opportunities for technological investment and capacity development

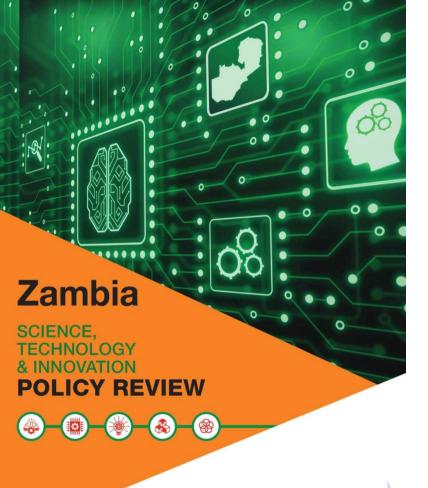


- Face-to-face and virtual missions in 2019/2020, 5 virtual workshops in 2020
- Follow up of recommendations and capacity building under consideration
- Summary and full report available:

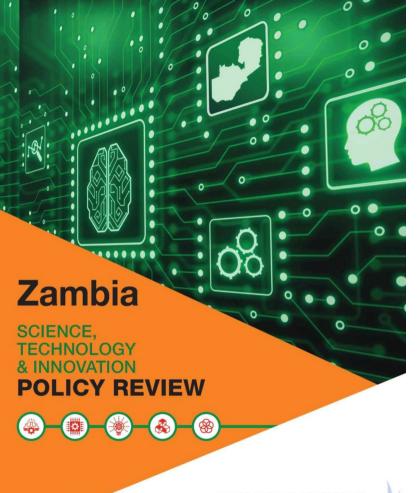
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- 38 Recommendations: System, MESCYT, STI Plan, and implementation
- A new plan must find a governance mechanism that ensures an effective coordination of STI policies
- Reinforce FONDOCYT, extend to new research areas
- Urgent to encourage businesses to invest in R&D and connect with academia



- Two UNCTAD missions, 09/2019 and 02/2020
- Complete working draft of STI Policy Review is ready for consultations for finalization
- Revised STI Policy issued. STI review to help develop a well-targeted policy focus
- Capacity -building activities are moving onto an eLearning platform, Q4 2021



- Key recommendations:
 - Develop greater visibility of STI policy, and STI as a key economic factor, in governance & society
 - Improve horizontal coordination on STI as opportunities for synergies and win-win situations abound
 - Stronger articulation of the STI policy domain in future National Development Plans
- STI and key development challenges
 - Food systems
 - Extractive industries
 - Digital transformation
 - Gender





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