





Training Program on "Technology Entrepreneurship Advocacy and Management of Business Incubation & Technology Parks" 23-25 April 2018, Istanbul, Republic of Turkey

Recommendations

- 1) The specific outcome of the Training Perogramme were Iran, Uganda, Guinea, Cyprus, Pakistan and Palestine Chambers of Commerce, called for assisting in setting-up, marketing and management of Incubations Centers within their respective Chambers.
- 2) Taking into consideration the need to define and establish the right eco-system for incubation centers, Bahrain and Tajikistan called for holding such Training Programmes in their Countries.
- 3) In view of the expertise and experience of Turkey in the area of Techno Park, the relevant entities in Turkey maybe approached to assist the countries, where such need is required to build their capacity. In this context, Kazakhstan, Mali and Uganda sought assistance in this area.
- 4) Realizing that financing was an important component to set-up Incubation Center, the financial support maybe sought through relevant agencies.
- In view of the important role of SESRIC in implementing a project on SMEs Development, in which business incubators will be established to support startups and entrepreneurs, the participants urged the need of replicating the concept of setting up Incubation Centres for SMEs in other OIC Countries that have shown interests, like, Uganda, Guinea, Sudan, and Mali.
- Realizing the scope of work and the outreach of the OIC Institutions, the Training Program called to further strengthen cooperation between ICCIA and other OIC Institutions, such as ICYF and SESRIC, ICDT and the IDB Group in areas which could support and help with start-ups.
- 7) Call upon the National Chambers of Commerce & Industry in OIC Countries to enhance their role in supporting young businesses through establishing or supporting Business Incubation Centers.
- 8) To call upon the existing business incubation centers in the OIC Countries to intensify the professionalism and upgrade their infrastructure to attract businesses and skills.
- 9) To call upon the Business Development Agencies / SMEs Development Authorities of the OIC Countries to facilitate advisory services, consultancy and training to start-ups and young businesses.

- 10) To call upon the Technology Parks in the developing Countries to play their due role in transfer to technology to other Countries.
- 11) Establishment of Common Facility Centers (CFCs) for facilitation of preservation and value addition of agricultural produces in agri-based countries like Mali was strongly recommended. The Facilitators of the Training Program have agreed to extend their support in systems design and development for incubation centers and capacity building thereof.
- 12) To call upon the Uganda National Chamber of Commerce to initiate contacts with the University of Uganda for establishing Incubation Center.
- 13) To Call upon the relevant stakeholders to emphasize on academia-industry linkages through incubations centers.
- 14) To Call upon the Chambers of Commerce of the OIC Countries to extend their complete guidance to the business community.
- To Call Upon the organizers of the various Business Forums / Conferences / Exhibitions to invite youth and start-ups, so as to encourage them into businesses.
- The participants extend their profound thanks and appreciation to PGTF for extending financial support and to TOBB for its kind hospitality as well as to ICCIA for organizing this important Training Program.
