

ИННОВАЦИОННАЯ ПОЛИТИКА БЕЛАРУСИ  
И ЕЁ ВЛИЯНИЕ НА РАЗВИТИЕ ЭКОНОМИКИ

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Innovation is the creation of better or more effective products, services, technologies, or ideas that are accepted by market, government, and society. Our life is impossible without innovation.

We believe the pluses of innovation are the following: the commercial benefits that economize costs; development of creative activities in all spheres of public life; the political benefits which are mainly connected with innovations in military technology.

On the other hand some people reject the prospect of innovative development because sometimes innovations bring obvious harm, such as the fall of macroeconomic performance and the quality of life. Innovations usually require substantial material, financial, human resources investments for their development. Innovations replace something that has been before.

Despite these disadvantages innovation policy is a key issue for many countries and the Republic of Belarus is no exception.

Today there exists a broad awareness and recognition of the importance of innovation for future growth in Belarus. As a result, substantial efforts have been made to organize the institutional element of the national innovation system. Moreover important steps have been made to create essential elements of the innovation infrastructure. There are all conditions for successful innovation in the country.

On the basis of this broad assessment, we want to offer a number of options and recommendations to improve the innovation performance of the country.

Practical steps could include the following: shift the strategic orientation of innovation policy towards an enterprise based on innovation system; identifying any missing or weak links in the National Innovation System; development of guidelines for internal intellectual property rights policies in research and development performing institutions; reforming the system of public funding of research and development, differentiating according to the type of research and diversifying modalities of funding; identifying existing barriers to the emergence of new technology-based firms and the growth of existing ones

In conclusion we would like to say that innovation in the modern economy depends on a plenty of factors. Nowadays Belarus performs relatively well regarded human resources and public expenditures. Belarus intends to develop its strengthening economic position in the world.