

REPORT
of
The 3rd High Council Meeting of D-8 Technology Transfer
and Exchange Network (TTEN)
1st – 2nd December 2015, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

The Government of Malaysia hosted the 3rd High Council Meeting of D-8 Technology Transfer and Exchange Network (TTEN) on 1-2 December 2015 in Kuala Lumpur. The meeting was attended by Bangladesh, Egypt, Iran, Malaysia and Turkey. List of participants is contained in **Annex I**.

1. Opening Session

- **Welcome Address by Datuk Seri Panglima Madius Tangau, Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation of Malaysia**

Dato' Sri Dr. Noorul Ainur Mohd. Nur, Secretary-General, Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation of Malaysia made welcome address and inaugurated the meeting on behalf of the Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation. The statement is attached in **Annex II**.

- **Statement by D-8 TTEN**

Mr. Akbar Ghanbarpour, focal point for D-8 TTEN, made welcome statement. The text is attached in **Annex III**.

- **Statement by D-8 Secretary General**

Dr. Seyed Ali Mohammad Mousavi, D-8 Secretary-General, delivered a statement which is attached in **Annex IV**.

2. Adoption of Agenda

The draft agenda for the meeting was considered and adopted (**Annex V**).

3. Self-Introduction of Delegates

The Delegates from the Member States introduced themselves.

4. Appointment of Rapporteurs

Mr. Low Yoon Keong, Assistant Secretary of Industry Division, MOSTI, and Mr. Akbar Ghanbarpour from the D-8 TTEN were appointed as Rapporteurs.

5. Minutes and Matters Arising from the 2nd High Council Meeting

The meeting discussed the functioning of the D-8 TTEN portal and measures to make it more effective. The delegates also stressed the need for the focal points to be more interactive and engaged with one another as well as with the TTEN Secretariat.

6. Update on D-8 TTEN activities since Abuja 2014 by D-8 Secretariat

Mr. Akbar Ghanbarpour from the D-8 TTEN Secretariat updated the meeting with information on latest developments in TTEN cooperation since 2nd High Council meeting. The text is attached is **Annex VI**.

7. Achievements in Science, Technology and Innovation of D-8 Member Countries

The focal point of the D-8 Member States updated the meeting with the achievements accomplished in Science, Technology and innovation. The presentations made by the delegates are attached in **Annex VII**.

8. The Way Forward for D-8 TTEN (by D-8 TTEN Secretariat)

The D-8 TTEN Secretariat presented and explained in detail the Executive Plan and the way forward for the D-8 TTEN. The meeting noted with appreciation executive plan of Egypt, Iran and Malaysia and encouraged other Member States to submit their executive plan to D-8 TTEN Secretariat by 31 December 2015. The D-8 TTEN Secretariat will consolidate all the activities from Executive Plans, upload in D-8 TTEN website and also circulate among the Member States. Executive Plans of Egypt, Iran and Malaysia are attached in **Annex VIII**. Template of the Executive Plan is also attached in **Annex IX**.

The meeting agreed that the relevant Ministries and agencies in the D-8 Member States would create a hyperlink for the D-8 TTEN website as soon as possible.

Terms of Reference (ToR) for the D-8 TTEN Technology Transfer Award (**Annex X**) will be circulated by the D-8 TTEN Secretariat by 15 December 2015. For 2015 Award only, Focal Points will introduce their candidates based on the ToR to the D-8 TTEN Secretariat by 01 February 2016. For successive years the Focal Points will introduce their candidates based on the ToR.

The D-8 TTEN Focal Points will nominate two companies for participation in the 5th International Innovation and Technology Exhibition (INOTEX 2016) to be held in Iran on 22-25 May 2016. The nominated companies will receive discount facilities worth Euro 400 for their participation. The D-8 TTEN Secretariat will ensure the incentives. The deadline of the nomination is 1st April 2016.

The D-8 TTEN Secretariat has planned to hold a Technology Forum on Nano-technology on the sideline of 4th High Council Meeting of D-8 TTEN. The host of 4th D-8 TTEN meeting will ensure Exhibition Space and Forum Hall for this International event. The details would be announced by D-8 TTEN Secretariat by 1st March 2016.

For ease in reference, all communications related to the D-8 TTEN will be addressed to the D-8 TTEN Secretariat with copy to the D-8 Secretariat.

It was agreed to update the list of Focal Points. An updated list of Focal Points with contact details to be submitted to the D-8 TTEN Secretariat by 31 January 2016.

It was agreed that each Member State may prepare a concept paper/proposal on specific projects/programs before each High Council meeting. The paper/proposal would be sent to the D-8 TTEN Secretariat in advance for onward circulation among the Member States. The D-8 TTEN Secretariat will prepare a template for the concept paper to be circulated to all member countries.

The meeting took note of the 4th Task Force Meeting on Technology scheduled on 24-25 February 2016 in Turkey. Member States were encouraged to send their feedback on the concept paper and ensure participation at different levels of stakeholders in the said event. The Concept Paper is enclosed in **Annex XI**.

9. Date and Venue of the Next Meeting

The delegation of Bangladesh accepted to consider hosting the 4th High Council Meeting of D-8 TTEN in 2016. Bangladesh will inform the D-8 Secretariat of its decision within 2 (two) months from this Meeting.

10. Consideration and Adoption of the Report

The Report of the 3rd High Council Meeting of D-8 TTEN was considered and adopted.

11. Closing

In his closing remarks, the Chair expressed his profound thanks and appreciation to all delegations for their participation, productive discussions and commended the constructive outcome of the deliberations.

The delegations conveyed their deep gratitude to Malaysia for hosting the Meeting and excellent arrangements and warmly thanked Dr. Mohd. Mokhtar Tahar for his

competent chairing. The Meeting also appreciated the Secretariat for its valuable work and support rendered to make the event successful.