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**South – South Cooperation for Strengthening Nanotechnology R&D Management
An overview of APCTT's programme**

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Background of the project

- UNESCAP Resolution 60/1 (Shanghai Declaration), 2004:

*... To encourage the **establishment of a regional network of research institutions and universities in the ESCAP region** by 2006 in order to promote education, technical skills development and technology transfer through the exchange of programmes, students and academics.*

- Recommendation of the **Second Session of the Governing Council and the Second Meeting of the Technical Committee of APCTT**, December 2006, Lahore, Pakistan.

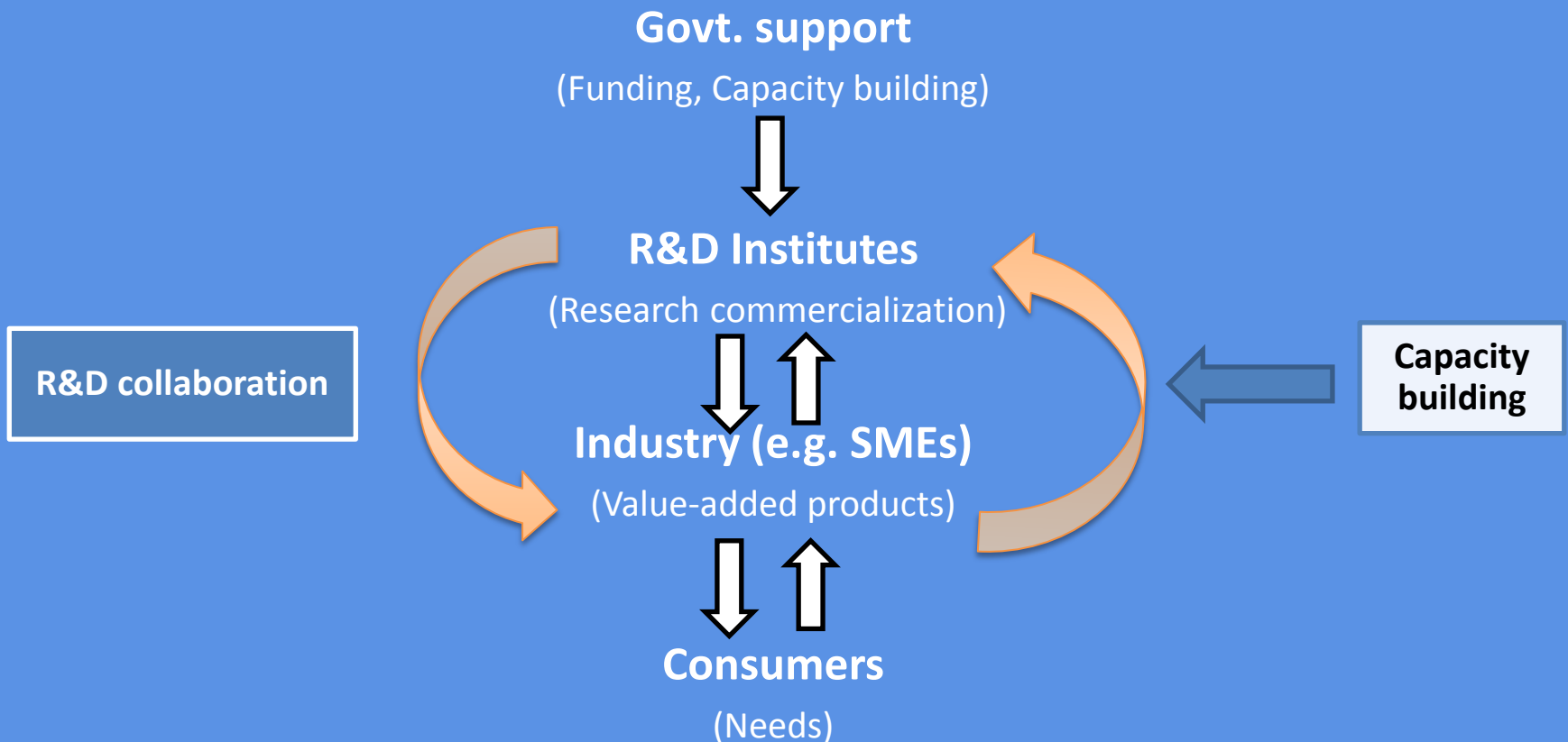
Regional Cooperation in nanotechnology !

- New and emerging technology
- Applications in a wide range of industrial sectors
- Critical for the SME sector with immense opportunities
- North-South gap - between Asia-Pacific region and developed countries of Europe and America
- Wide gaps between countries within the Asia-Pacific region
- Meeting Sustainable development Goals (SDGs)

Nano-encapsulation of fertilizers and pesticides, Water purification, Solar cell manufacturing, Medicine and health care, etc

Nanotechnology R&D

Integrating top-down and bottom-up approaches



Focus of APCTT's nanotechnology programme

Nanotechnology-based
value added products

Capacity building on
critical aspects of R&D
management

Research collaboration
between R&D
institutes and industry

Networking among
R&D institutions

Commercialization of
research results

Information exchange /
sharing

Sharing of experience /
best practices

Lessons learned from
case studies

Regional consultations

1. Promoting innovation in nanotechnology and fostering its industrial application: an Asia-Pacific perspective, 2-3 Dec 2009, Colombo, **Sri Lanka**
2. Expert Group Meeting on “Networking of R&D institutions in the Asia-Pacific to strengthen capacity of R&D management and innovation in the field of nanotechnology”, 7-8 Dec 2011, Bangkok, **Thailand**
3. Expert Group Meeting on testing, standardization and certification of nanomaterial and nanoproducts, 23 July 2014, Manila, **Philippines**
4. Regional Open Innovation Forum on Promoting Nanotechnology and Agriculture for Sustainable Development, 27-28 October 2014, Shah Alam, **Malaysia**
5. International Conference on Nanotechnology for Safe and Sustainable Development, 2-4 May 2017, Putrajaya, **Malaysia**

National capacity building

National workshops on strengthening nanotechnology R&D management and innovation :

Indonesia (Jun 2013); **Malaysia** (Dec 2013); **Islamic Republic of Iran** (Feb 2014); **Philippines** (Jul 2014); **Malaysia** (Oct 2014); **Sri Lanka** (Nov 2015)

Focusing on:

- ✓ Nanosafety, standardization and certification of nanoproducts
- ✓ Developing R&D collaboration with industry
- ✓ Adopting good intellectual property (IP) practices and leveraging the IP generated for commercial benefit
- ✓ Commercialization of research results
- ✓ Policy making, strategy development and roadmapping

- **More than 110 experts shared their experience and best practices**

- **Nearly 600 target participants representing a wide range of national organizations, institutions and SMEs have been benefited**

Tools and resources

- **Manual on Critical Issues in Nanotechnology R&D Management: An Asia-Pacific Perspective**

The Manual addresses the following issues:

- Nano-safety, Standardization, and Certification
 - Protection and Valuation of Intellectual Property
 - Commercialization of R&D Results
 - *Case Studies on the Development and Commercialization of Nanotechnology-based Value Added Products from the Asia-Pacific region* – 26 case studies from 11 Asia-Pacific countries; 6 from developed countries
- **'Asia-Pacific Nanotechnology R&D Management' website** - <http://apctt.org/nanotech/>
 - **Databases** of nanotechnology R&D institutions and technologies
 - **Analytical study report** – “Innovative Development of Bottom-up Nanotechnology-based Value Added Products for Enhancing Competitiveness in the Asia-Pacific

Asia-Pacific Nanotechnology R&D Management Network

<http://apctt.org/nanotech/>

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the website for the Asia-Pacific Nanotechnology R&D Management Network. The browser's address bar shows the URL <http://apctt.org/nanotech/>. The website features a blue header with navigation links: Home, About APCTT, Focus Areas, Member Countries, Events, Publications & Databases, and Contact us. Below the header, there are logos for APCTT (Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology) and ESCAP (United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific). The main content area has a purple banner with the text "Asia-Pacific Nanotechnology R&D Management Network". Below this, there is a search bar and a welcome message: "Welcome to Asia-Pacific Nanotechnology R&D Management Network". The message describes the project's goal to strengthen research and development (R&D) management capacity in new and emerging areas of technology, specifically in the nanotechnology sector. The footer contains four columns of links: ABOUT APCTT (Welcome, Our Organization, General Information, Statute, Location, Contact us), UN LINKS (ESCAP, UNDSO, UN ENERGY, UNIDO, UNFCCC), REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS (APCTT, CAPSA, CSAM, SIAP), and FOLLOW US (with social media icons). A copyright notice at the bottom reads "© 2016 APCTT, All Rights Reserved | Privacy Policy | Disclaimer". The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the date and time as 13:11 on 26/04/2017.

The way forward

- Enhance capacity of member countries in policy making and strategy development
- Organize regional and national capacity building workshops through South-South Cooperation
- Promote cross-border nanotechnology commercialization
- Promote networking and collaboration among stakeholders
- Conduct analytical studies for the benefit of member country stakeholders

Thank you

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