

OACPS Research and Innovation Programme

Title: PSF service to Kenya to provide technical assistance to develop guidelines for commercialisation and coordination of innovation hubs



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MISSION

“To Develop and Manage a dynamic national innovation **system that facilitates taking **ideas to the market**”.**

“Young institution with a huge mandate”

Rationale for seeking support from the Policy Support Facility

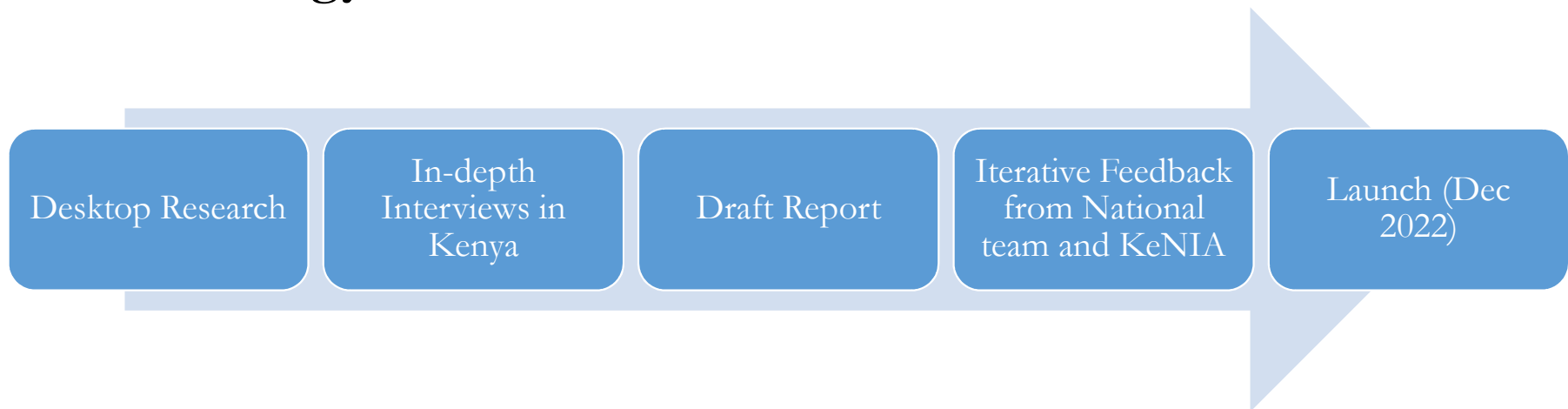
Objective

- A framework and implementation strategy to manage innovation hubs in the country;
- A framework and implementation strategy to guide research centres and institutions of higher learning in Kenya on the innovation's commercialisation models.

Implementation of service

- 4 Consultants (UK, South Africa, Kenya) - PI from Kenya
- 10+ members of National Team for oversight and feedback

Methodology



Recommendations of the service

Commercialisation Workstream

- National innovation and commercialization policy and strategy
- Institutional framework for technology transfer and commercialization
- Incentives to strengthen academia-industry linkages to foster commercialization

Hubs Workstream

- A set of indicators to measure process and outcome performances;
- A set of standardized services and support, which can be offered by Innovation Hubs;
- The factors to consider when innovation hubs are introduced.

Next Steps + Outcomes

Innovation Hubs

Minister has embraced startup support program

More ecosystem engagement at Kenya Innovation Week

Minister to meet hubs in Jan/Feb

Better mechanism for supporting hubs & assess impact

Commercialization

Ecosystem engagement in December 2022

Implementation has kicked off through the Institutional

Commercialisation Support Program – 5 Institutions being

supported (KALRO, KIRDI, KABIANGA, MOI, JOOUST)