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Recent developments of the governments policy in R&D sector in Poland

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Government's policy for reform and development of the R&D sector in Poland

- **Government's policy for reform and development of the R&D sector in Poland includes three key drivers:**
 - **systematic and visible increase in the science sector funding**
 - **enhancement of collaboration between science and industry**
 - **increasing international cooperation, both within the European Union and globally**

Government's policy for reform and development of the R&D sector in Poland

- **Present structure of R&D sector requires a far reaching reform and modernization**
- **Polish Government has initiated intensive efforts towards restructuring of R&D sector**
- **Objectives of the reforms include:**
 - **full utilization of available funds**
 - **improvement of technology transfer to industry**
 - **increased participation of Polish research teams in international initiatives**
 - **increased number of researchers, in particular employed by the industry**

Restructuring of industrial research institutes (JBRs)

- **The aim of the restructuring process is to improve collaboration between science and industry and to enhance the innovative potential of the Polish economy**

Agency for funding of applied research

- **Government indicates its determination to separate policy making from research funding**
- **Establishment of the National Centre for Research and Development**
- **In the near future a second agency is planned to be set up – devoted to carrying out the financing of fundamental (frontier) research**

Technology Initiative

- **„Technology Initiative” Programme with an annual budget exceeding 80 mln €**
- **Strengthening collaboration between industry and academia**
- **Supporting business oriented research projects, undertaken by both research units and industrial entities**
- **The general objective: stimulate industrial involvement in scientific activities and increase industry funding for research**
- **Results: the financed projects should lead to innovative products, processes or services that are applicable in practice and commercially viable**

Strategy for the utilization of Structural Funds

- **Funds earmarked for the R&D sector in the current financial perspective 2007-2013 include:**
 - **1.3 bln € for research and technology development**
 - **1.3 bln € for research infrastructure**
 - **0,6 bln € for higher education infrastructure**
 - **1.0 bln € for human capital**
- **Together with a part of the funds for regional development the total sum will near 5.0 bln €**

New rules for institutional financing

- **Government is implementing a new policy on institutional financing. The objective of this policy is to concentrate resources on best performing institutions**
- **Statutory funding will be complemented by other forms of funding, distributed on a competitive basis and provided for organizations taking part in international projects and those involved in industry sponsored research**

International cooperation

- **Participation of Polish research teams in the European Framework Programmes**
- **Participation of governmental agencies in the initiatives of coordination of national research programmes**
- **Participation in the development of large, international research infrastructure projects**

Conclusion

- **Reform of the R&D sector**
- **Attractiveness of the scientific career in Poland**
- **Government's commitment to the UE's Lisbon Strategy**
- **30% growth of R&D spending in the fiscal years 2005-2007**



Thank you for your attention

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