The STIP Review of Ethiopia was prepared at the request of the Government to assist the Ministry of Innovation and Technology in preparing a new STI policy.

Objectives of this report:

- To appraise the extent to which rapid economic growth in Ethiopia has contributed to local technological learning and upgrading, and created the necessary conditions for the development of a viable National Innovation System (NIS).
- To develop a national STI policy framework that the country needs to implement the SDGs and the national development vision, particularly the export-oriented and manufacturing sector-based industrialization strategy.
- At the request of the Government, the STIP Review provides a deep-dive analysis of two sectors that could serve as case studies for understanding the relationship between the national STI policy framework and technical learning and innovation at the sectoral level: apparel and textile for resource-based labour-intensive exports and pharmaceuticals for knowledge-intensive import substitution.

The STIP Review is based on fact-finding missions to Ethiopia, which included interviews with representatives of the Government, the private sector and specialized public institutions, conducted in December 2018 and March 2019, and current relevant data. The missions received the full support of the Ministry of Innovation and Technology and members of the Interministerial Committee established to assist with the STIP Review process, as well as other stakeholders.

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