

Creating and Applying Knowledge (The OECD Innovation Strategy: Getting a Head Start on Tomorrow)

Government plays an essential role in creating and applying knowledge and in fostering public and private investment in innovation. This chapter focuses on the wide array of support that is needed for innovation. It examines the public research system; investment in knowledge infrastructure and general purpose technologies; the importance of knowledge flows, networks and markets; and how governments can be innovative actors in the delivery of public services.

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