

Introduction (OECD Reviews of Innovation Policy: South Africa 2007)

The review is based on a background document prepared by the South African National Advisory Council on Innovation (NACI), an advisory body to the Department for Science and Technology (DST), and on the results of a series of interviews with major stakeholders of South Africa's innovation system by the OECD review team.¹¹ Many people were very generous with their time and information in connection with both the background report and the visit (see Annex A). As a result, the review team was able to form a good picture of the parts of the innovation system that relate to government, the knowledge infrastructure and to a lesser extent of activities in large companies and relevant policies that lie outside the remit of the DST.

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