



**ISFAHAN REGIONAL CENTER FOR TECHNOLOGY
INCUBATORS & SCIENCE PARKS DEVELOPMNET
(UNDER THE AUSPICES OF UNESCO)**

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ISFAHAN
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY TOWN
(ISTT)



Islamic Republic Of Iran
Ministry of Science,
Research & Technology

INTRODUCTION

IRIS a UNESCO category II center

Isfahan Regional Center for Technology Incubators and Science Parks Development was established in Isfahan in May 2010 according to an agreement between Islamic Republic of Iran and UNESCO.

Isfahan Science and Technology Town (ISTT) is the host to this regional center. IRIS has been mandated to address and resolve the problems currently limiting the success of Science Parks and Technology Incubators in developing countries. The initial focus of the center as a Category II center of UNESCO is on facilitating the integration of developmental approach into science, technology and innovation, developing technology transfer, organizing capacity building, providing policy advice, facilitating the exchange of experience and best practices, and conducting research and problem solving in Science Parks and Technology Incubators development.



The priorities of the center

- Short-term training workshops
- Exchange visits involving science and technology parks managers
- Collaborative research and development projects
- Networking in knowledge-based economic development
- Short-term programs will cater to specific areas of interest in keeping with the needs and priorities identified

MISSION

This regional center intends to prepare the ground for the development of Technology Incubators and Science Parks in the region through providing consultations, training courses and capacity building. The center is also going to facilitate the international relations among Science Parks and Incubators with their counterparts in the region.

OBJECTIVES

- Conducting capacity-building
- Providing technical assistance
- Facilitating knowledge transfer
- Supporting research
- Networking
- Information exchange and dissemination



**Visit of
H.E. Madam Irina Bokova,
UNESCO Director General
to IRIS**
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Some of IRIS activities



Training workshop in Iran



Training workshop in Nigeria



Training workshop in Malaysia



Supporting Sheikh-Bahai
Technopreneurship Festival



Training workshop in China



International Conference in Iran

GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE

- At the first stage, IRIS covers ECO countries including: *Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Turkey, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan and Iran.*
- In the second stage it will be expanded to a wider international scope



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