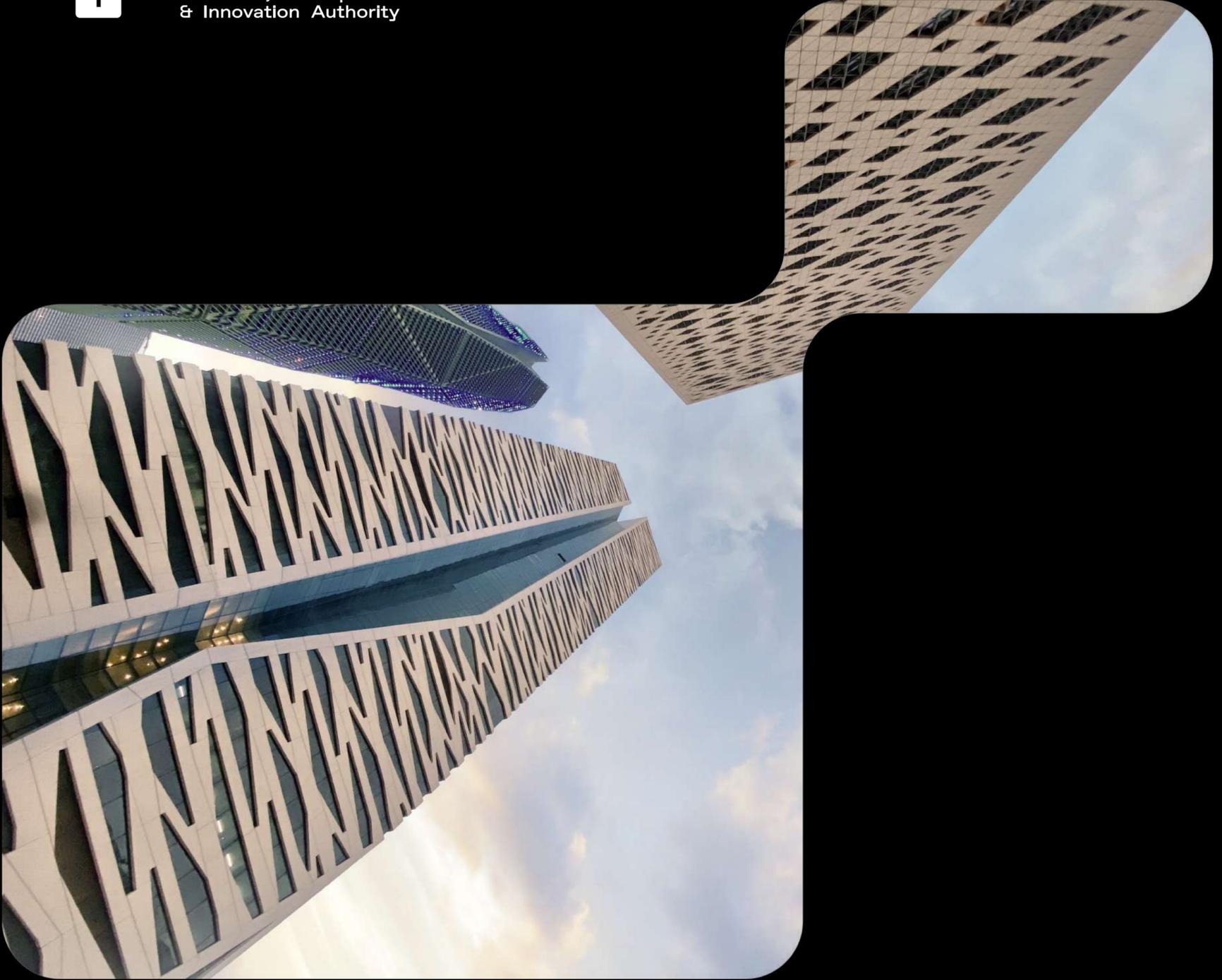




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We have adopted ambitious aspirations for the research, development, and innovation sector, so that the Kingdom will become one of the pioneers of innovation in the world. The annual spending on the sector will reach 2.5 percent of GDP in 2040, so that the sector contributes to the development and diversification of the national economy by adding SR60 billion to the GDP in 2040, and creating thousands of quality jobs in science, technology, and innovation.

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Crown Prince, Prime Minister, and Chairman of the Supreme Committee for Research, Development, and Innovation (RDI).

**His Royal Highness Prince Mohammed
bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud**

Introduction:

Innovation is a key driver of economic and social progress. It diversifies income sources, creates quality opportunities, boosts productivity, and strengthens national competitiveness in the face of rapid technological and economic change. Innovation thrives in an ecosystem that connects talent, funding, infrastructure, and enabling regulations — turning knowledge into lasting value for society and the economy. Building on this foundation, Saudi Arabia has made innovation a cornerstone of Vision 2030 and a pathway to global leadership. This commitment is evident in national policies and programs that promote diversification and sustainability by building skilled human capital, attracting global talent, advancing local and international research collaboration, and engaging the private and non-profit sectors in the innovation cycle. In doing so, the Kingdom addresses both national and global challenges while safeguarding the future of the coming generations. This guide helps users easily access key services and resources funded by the public sector that support the Kingdom's research, development, and innovation ecosystem. It gathers all services in one place, organized by type, provider, and target audience, so beneficiaries can quickly find what suits their needs.

Target Audience

The guide presents the initiatives and services targeting the following categories: Researchers and Innovators, Entrepreneurs, Startups, and Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs). To facilitate quick access to the right service, the following overview profiles each category to help users choose the most suitable option:

Researchers and Innovators:



An individual or team leading applied research with a clear pathway to translate outputs into a product or service that delivers tangible economic or social value.

Entrepreneurs:



An individual who establishes and grows an innovation- or technology-based company, from the prototype stage through the scale-up phase.

Startups:



Founding teams or newly established ventures delivering innovation- or technology-based solutions, designed to scale rapidly by achieving product-market fit.

Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs):



Established enterprises with proven business models and sustainable, steady growth that seek to adopt innovative solutions or technologies to increase productivity and competitiveness.

Service categories for this guide:

The initiatives and services in this guide are classified into specialized groups based on their nature and primary function, thereby supporting comparison and the selection of the most suitable option:

Incubators and Accelerators

Programs and initiatives that target early-stage startups, providing structured, time-bound, and varied support that enables founders to develop their business models and enhance the company's readiness for growth and expansion.

Research Labs and Facilities

Research laboratories and facilities that support researchers, innovators, and startups by providing access to advanced infrastructure, specialized equipment, and technical services. These enable researchers to develop prototypes, conduct experiments, and test solutions, thereby enhancing the quality of innovation and increasing readiness for real-world applications.

Financial Enablement

Programs and initiatives that provide direct or indirect financial support to researchers, innovators, and startups through a variety of services, including grants, seed investments, concessional loans, or full/partial cost coverage, enabling them to scale their activities and accelerate business growth.

Mentorship and Consulting

Services that provide guidance and consulting in various areas, such as technical, administrative, legal, and strategic aspects, are delivered by experts and specialists. The goal is to empower beneficiaries to make informed decisions, overcome challenges, and drive business growth.

Capacity Building and Training

Programs aimed at developing the skills and knowledge of beneficiaries through specialized training, workshops, and educational programs. The goal is to enhance their competencies, enable them to keep pace with the latest developments, and strengthen the success and growth of their ventures.

Data Services

Platforms and services that provide data, statistics, and descriptive information, including guidelines, reports, and datasets, enabling researchers, innovators, and companies to make informed decisions and develop evidence-based innovative solutions.

Competitions and Hackathons

Interactive initiatives within the open and collaborative innovation approach, such as innovation challenges and hackathons, where innovators and entrepreneurs meet with demand-side entities to generate innovative solutions to technical, social, and developmental challenges, thereby connecting innovators and entrepreneurs with market needs.

Innovation-Enabling Environments

Programs and initiatives that offer diverse packages of services and support, such as community-building, spaces for sharing knowledge and experiences, specialized incentives, and partnership opportunities, to enable beneficiaries to develop their innovations, enhance their readiness, and accelerate business growth.

Regulatory Sandboxes

Initiatives that allow the testing and development of innovative products and services in a safe environment under the supervision of regulators. This is achieved through experimental pathways with streamlined regulatory requirements, aiming to support innovation, reduce risks, and explore innovation needs while developing suitable regulations.

Incubators and Accelerators

Programs and initiatives that target early-stage startups, providing structured, time-bound, and varied support that enables founders to develop their business models and enhance the company's readiness for growth and expansion.

Service Name:

TAQADAM Startup Accelerator

Service Provider:



Service Description:

A six-month intensive program offering mentorship, training, funding, and specialized workshops on product design, market research, team development, and investment readiness. Participants receive \$40,000 in funding, access to workspaces, and a community of experts and mentors, boosting success rates and strengthening competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

For more information:



Service Name:

ScaleX

Service Description:

The Soft-Landing platform supports international tech companies expanding into the Saudi market. It provides strategic guidance, access to advanced research infrastructure, and collaboration opportunities with local partners. The platform also connects participants with investors and major corporations to facilitate market entry and accelerate growth in the Kingdom.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Namā Accelerators

Service Description:

An intensive program that empowers startups in the cultural sector with mentorship, training, funding, specialized workshops, and a strong community of experts and mentors, enhancing ventures' success and boosting competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

GROW Tourism Incubator

Service Description:

A ten-month intensive program that supports startups in the tourism sector through mentorship, training, and funding. It includes specialized workshops and opportunities to participate in exhibitions and conferences, helping startups strengthen market presence and increase success and competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

The Garage Incubator

Service Description:

A comprehensive support environment for early-stage startups that helps entrepreneurs turn innovative ideas into viable ventures. The incubator provides coworking spaces, technical resources, specialized advisory, and one-on-one mentorship to build prototypes and validate ideas, preparing participants for growth and expansion.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

The Garage Accelerator

Service Description:

An intensive market-entry and expansion program designed to enable local, regional, and international tech companies to enter and scale in the Saudi market. It provides an integrated innovation ecosystem, bringing together entrepreneurs and investors, with access to resources, expertise, and networks necessary for growth that accelerate growth, improve venture success rates, and strengthen competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Incubation Program

Service Description:

A holistic environment that supports early-stage tech startups, helping them develop and transform ideas into viable ventures. The incubator offers co-working spaces, advanced technological resources, specialized consulting, and mentorship to design prototypes and test feasibility, creating a strong foundation for stable launch and future expansion.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Misk Accelerator

Service Description:

A three-month intensive acceleration program that combines virtual learning with in-person sessions to support early-stage tech startups. It offers specialized mentorship, hands-on workshops, and investor networking opportunities to drive growth and expansion locally and regionally. The program takes no equity, helping startups strengthen their competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Misk Launchpad

Service Description:

A 10-week pre-acceleration program that blends virtual learning with optional in-person sessions. It helps innovators and tech-driven entrepreneurs turn their ideas into minimum viable products and prototypes. The program offers guidance and key resources to develop ideas and improve their chances of success in the early stages of the entrepreneurial journey.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Heritage Authority Business Accelerator

Service Description:

A 16-week intensive program that empowers startups in the heritage sector with mentorship, training, funding, specialized workshops, and access to a community of experts and mentors, enhancing project success and boosting competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Sahabah Program

Service Description:

An integrated support environment to enhance the entrepreneurship ecosystem in the water sector by empowering innovative ventures through incubation and acceleration programs, providing funding, investor matchmaking, and offering diverse services. The program aims to create new opportunities that enhance sector growth and sustainability and accelerate the market entry of innovative solutions.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:

وزارة البيئة والمياه والزراعة
Ministry of Environment Water & Agriculture



For more information:



Service Name:

Sedrah Program

Service Description:

An integrated support environment that strengthens the entrepreneurship ecosystem in the environmental sector by empowering innovative ventures through incubation and acceleration programs. It provides funding, investor matchmaking, and diverse services to create new opportunities, drive sector growth and sustainability, and speed up the market entry of innovative solutions.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:

وزارة البيئة والمياه والزراعة
Ministry of Environment Water & Agriculture



For more information:



Service Name:

Sunbolah Program

Service Description:

An integrated support environment to enhance the entrepreneurship ecosystem in the agriculture and food sector by empowering innovative ventures through incubation and acceleration programs, providing funding, investor matchmaking, and offering diverse services. The program aims to create new opportunities that enhance sector growth and sustainability and accelerate the market entry of innovative solutions.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:

وزارة البيئة والمياه والزراعة
Ministry of Environment Water & Agriculture



For more information:



Service Name:

Industrial Incubators and Accelerators Initiative (NUMU)

Service Provider:



Service Description:

An integrated support ecosystem that supports entrepreneurs and startups in the industrial sector through specialized incubation and acceleration programs. It includes mentorship, training, funding, and workshops, backed by an expert network that enhances competitiveness and drives sustainable growth in the industrial sector.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Startups

Service Name:

Energy Incubator

Service Provider:



Service Description:

An integrated environment that supports startups with social and environmental impact in the energy sector. It provides workspaces, specialized consulting, and mentorship to help entrepreneurs access markets, foster innovation, and pave the way for sustainable growth in the sector.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Startups

Research Labs and Facilities

Research laboratories and facilities that support researchers, innovators, and startups by providing access to advanced infrastructure, specialized equipment, and technical services. These enable researchers to develop prototypes, conduct experiments, and test solutions, thereby enhancing the quality of innovation and increasing readiness for real-world application.

Service Name:

Core Labs

Service Provider:



Service Description:

An integrated network of multidisciplinary laboratories located on the KAUST campus, equipped with specialized research equipment and technologies, overseen by expert engineers and scientists. Designed to enhance innovation and entrepreneurship, it also offers advanced training programs in design and manufacturing.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups

For more information:



Service Name:

Innovation Assets

Service Description:

A service that enables beneficiaries to access KACST's research assets and infrastructure, including specialized labs and facilities such as clean rooms, the Antenna Lab, and the Center for the Fourth Industrial Revolution. It also provides facility support services and helps transform research outputs into entrepreneurial ventures through technology licensing and partnerships.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Technological Support & Labs

Service Description:

A platform that connects beneficiaries with CODE's digital innovation labs network, located across the Kingdom. These labs support prototype testing, development, performance improvement, and faster production of tech-based solutions. The service also provides direct support from experts and engineers to guide startups and entrepreneurs on their innovation journey.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Institute for Research, Innovation and Desalination Technologies

Service Description:

A service that supports the development of innovative, sustainable solutions to water challenges by engaging individuals and organizations in research and the development of advanced technologies. Through specialized laboratories and pilot plants, it optimizes water-resource use, enhances environmental performance, and contributes to the sector's long-term sustainability.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

National Portal for Open Access to Research Infrastructure

Service Provider:



Service Description:

A national platform that connects researchers and innovators with research infrastructure across universities and research centers in the Kingdom. It provides access to laboratories and services and enables online requests for utilization, maximizing the use of research assets, enhancing collaboration, and fostering innovation.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups

Service Name:

RDI Materials Platform

Service Provider:



Service Description:

An initiative that manages and facilitates access to research, development, and innovation materials through a unified framework for importing and clearing scientific supplies in line with regulations and standards. Researchers in universities and research centers can issue import and clearance permits, improving project efficiency and supporting the sustainability of the research and innovation ecosystem.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups

Financial Enablement

Programs and initiatives that provide direct or indirect financial support to researchers, innovators, and startups through a variety of services, including grants, seed investments, concessional loans, or full/partial cost coverage, enabling them to scale their activities and accelerate business growth.

Service Name:

Loan Guarantee

Service Provider:



Service Description:

An initiative that enables tech startups to obtain financial support through guarantees covering up to 90% of the loan amount, capped at SAR 15 million. In partnership with program partners, the initiative facilitates beneficiaries' access to the financing needed to implement their business and expansion plans, thereby enhancing the growth and sustainability of the national tech ecosystem.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

For more information:



Service Name:

Empowering Local Tech Companies - ntdp Connect

Service Description:

A program that connects SMEs with major market opportunities by providing partial coverage of prototype development costs and specialized training to build capabilities and prepare companies for private-sector tenders and projects, thereby supporting expansion and increasing competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Innovative Financing for Tech Startups - ntdp VentureDebt

Service Description:

A financing initiative that supports tech startups at early funding stages (Series A and beyond), in partnership with program partners. The initiative provides financing with repayment terms of up to five years, enabling companies to cover their financial needs, support growth, and accelerate readiness for market entry and expansion.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Global Growth for High-Performing Startups - ntdp Bridge

Service Description:

An initiative that provides comprehensive support for high-growth tech companies by combining financial backing for business development and expansion with access to a network of mentors and specialized advisors offering expertise and strategic guidance, strengthening their ability to enter international markets and increase global competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Supporting Startups - ntdp Fund Swift

Service Description:

An initiative that offers short-term bridge financing to startups that have closed an investment round but have not yet received the proceeds, thereby ensuring business continuity. The facility provides up to SAR 5 million in additional liquidity for two to six months, capped at 50% of funds not linked to specific milestones, helping companies sustain operations and pursue growth.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp Source Tech

Service Description:

An initiative to advance national technology solutions by supporting local IT outsourcing providers. It offers grants of up to SAR 5 million to cover salaries for up to 24 months, helping companies expand operations, localize the outsourcing industry, and strengthen competitiveness locally and regionally.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Providing financial solutions for tech startups - ntdp LendTech

Service Description:

A program that helps tech startups strengthen their market presence through flexible, competitively priced financing, offered with program partners, providing up to SAR 8.5 million, with repayment terms up to five years and a grace period up to six months.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp Aim

Service Description:

A service that promotes innovation in artificial intelligence by providing an integrated environment for research, development, and talent development. It supports the establishment of AI-based projects, the development of advanced language models, and the training of experts to deliver practical solutions that meet the needs of both government and private sectors, thereby boosting efficiency and fostering innovation across the Kingdom.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp Saudi Unicorn

Service Description:

An initiative supporting scale-up tech companies with a comprehensive package of funding, mentorship, and consulting services, enabling them to expand globally and grow exports. It also develops talent, facilitates market access, and connects companies with investors and stakeholders, thereby strengthening the Kingdom's presence domestically and internationally.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp MVP Lab

Service Description:

A program targeting tech entrepreneurs who have completed a prototype or feasibility study, offering performance-based grants of up to SAR 150,000. It also provides various services, including innovative workspaces, specialized consulting, workshops, and networking opportunities with investors, accelerating the growth of tech projects and the launch of new businesses.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp Transform+

Service Description:

A service that supports tech startups in closing technology gaps and accelerating their transition to cloud computing. It provides up to SAR 1 million in funding, enabling an efficient and effective move to cloud services and strengthening their competitiveness in the market.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp Tamkeen

Service Description:

A service that supports employee retention in tech companies by providing targeted financial incentives. A specified number of technical professionals are supported according to company size, with financial packages of up to SAR 86,000 per employee. Financial support extends for up to 18 months, strengthening the sustainability of tech companies and supporting their future growth.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Supporting Tech SMEs - ntdp Tech Crew

Service Description:

A service aimed at supporting tech startups through targeted financial packages to attract and retain national tech talent. Support includes covering 50% of the base salary, up to SAR 25,000 per employee, in addition to cumulative semiannual incentives of up to SAR 86,000, for up to 18 months, thereby enhancing talent retention and fostering growth in the technology sector.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp Nextera – Emerging & Deep Tech Acceleration

Service Description:

A program designed to support startups operating in emerging and deep-tech fields, with dedicated funding to accelerate product and venture development. It helps companies build commercial readiness and go-to-market capacity, thereby strengthening the innovation ecosystem and enhancing competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

ntdp Boost – Empower Tech Entrepreneurs

Service Description:

A service that supports tech entrepreneurs through incubation and mentorship by specialized experts, offering funding to help mitigate the risks of establishment. It includes workshops, one-on-one sessions, and training programs that develop managerial skills and accelerate project growth toward sustainable success.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Horizon Loan

Service Description:

A financing service for businesses with annual revenues above SAR 3 million, offering up to SAR 10 million with repayment terms up to 60 months and monthly/quarterly/semiannual/annual schedules, thereby strengthening stability and supporting market expansion.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Funding Gate

Service Description:

A digital platform that connects businesses with private-sector financing entities, enabling easy access to suitable financing solutions. The portal helps reduce financing costs and saves time and effort by bringing all financing initiatives together in one place, enhancing access to financial support and promoting sustainable growth.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

SME Bank

بنك المنشآت الصغيرة والمتوسطة
Small & Medium Enterprises Bank

For more information:



Service Name:

Co-Financing Model

Service Description:

A financing program that supports businesses through partnerships with local banks using a co-funded portfolio. The partner bank manages the portfolio and deploys financing directly to firms, with repayment terms up to five years, strengthening sustainability and enabling growth and market expansion.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

SME Bank

بنك المنشآت الصغيرة والمتوسطة
Small & Medium Enterprises Bank

For more information:



Service Name:

KAUST Innovation Ventures Fund

Service Description:

An investment fund that supports local and international deep-tech startups, particularly at early stages, across priority sectors. It aims to strengthen the Kingdom's innovation ecosystem and serves as the final step in translating research from the lab into scalable commercial applications.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



جامعة الملك عبد الله
للعلوم والتقنية
King Abdullah University of
Science and Technology

For more information:



Service Name:

Cultural Financing

Service Description:

A financing initiative for the cultural sector, covering fields such as architecture, museums, and literature, offering flexible, cost-effective financing. It enables beneficiaries to launch new ventures or expand existing operations, sustaining cultural activity and generating long-term economic and social impact.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Innovative Startup Loan

Service Description:

A financing product for startups in the agricultural sector that supports the development of agricultural technologies to reduce waste and improve resource-use efficiency, thereby enhancing sustainability, increasing productivity, and strengthening the sector's competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Future Factories Initiative "Tanafusiya Accelerator Incentives Track"

Service Description:

A financing initiative for existing industrial businesses to support transition to automation, digitalization, and energy efficiency, covering up to 75% of project costs and offering incentives of up to 25%, with repayment terms up to seven years, to boost competitiveness and speed the adoption of Fourth Industrial Revolution technologies.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Promising Factories Initiative "Soft Loans"

Service Description:

A financing product that supports the establishment of new factories and emerging industrial ventures in strategic sectors, financing up to 50% of project costs, with terms up to ten years and a 20% upfront disbursement, to help entrepreneurs and enterprises drive sector growth and long-term sustainability.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Entrepreneurs Loan

Service Description:

A financing product supporting entrepreneurs and startups from ideation and feasibility through to launch, offering up to SAR 500,000 with repayment terms up to nine years to enhance sustainability and growth.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Multipurpose Financing

Service Description:

A financing service for existing factories and industrial businesses aiming to improve operational efficiency, offering medium-term financing up to five years and an upfront disbursement of up to 30% of the loan, to modernize technologies and facilities and strengthen sustainability.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Working Capital Financing

Service Description:

A short-term financing service for existing industrial businesses to cover working-capital needs such as inventory, receivables, payables, featuring rapid evaluation and full upfront disbursement with no additional collateral required. The term is up to 12 months, enhancing liquidity and supporting the continuity of industrial operations.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Legal Support Incentive

Service Description:

A service that promotes local product exports by supporting compliance with target-market legal and regulatory requirements, aligning with international standards, and streamlining procedures. It provides reimbursements of up to 50% of eligible fees, capped at SAR 100,000 annually, to improve global access and competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Marketing and Advertising Incentive

Service Description:

A service aimed at promoting the export of local products by supporting marketing and advertising services. The service provides reimbursements of up to 75% of eligible fees, capped at SAR 600,000 per year, to enhance global market access and increase the competitiveness of national products.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Listing on e-commerce platforms

Service Description:

A service that promotes exports by supporting listings on e-commerce platforms, offering reimbursements of up to 70% of fees, with a maximum of 55,000 SAR per year, to enhance the access of national products to global markets and increase their competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

المصدرات السعودية
هيئة تنمية المصدرت السعودية

For more information:



Service Name:

Product Certifications Incentive

Service Description:

A service aimed at promoting the export of local products by supporting product certifications to comply with foreign market standards and requirements. The service provides reimbursements of up to 50% of eligible fees, capped at SAR 500,000 per year, to enhance global market access and increase the competitiveness of national products.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

المصدرات السعودية
هيئة تنمية المصدرت السعودية

For more information:



Service Name:

Advisory - Supply Chains and Exports Strategy

Service Description:

A service that promotes exports by supporting the understanding of requirements and demand in new markets and preparing entry and growth strategies. The service includes reimbursements of up to 55% of fees, with a maximum of 500,000 SAR per year, to enhance the access of national products to global markets and increase their competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

المصدرات السعودية
هيئة تنمية المصدرت السعودية

For more information:



Service Name:

Product-registration Incentive

Service Description:

A service aimed at promoting the export of local products by supporting their registration in global markets, through reimbursements of up to 50% of registration fees, with a maximum of 275,000 SAR per year. This is intended to facilitate access to national products in international markets and enhance their competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

المصادر السعودية
هيئة تنمية المصادر السعودية



For more information:



Service Name:

Funding Support Service

Service Description:

A six-month intensive program offering mentorship, training, funding, and specialized workshops on product design, market research, team development, and investment readiness. Participants receive \$40,000 in funding, access to workspaces, and a community of experts and mentors, boosting success rates and strengthening competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:

CODE
مركز ريادة الأعمال الرقمية
CENTER OF DIGITAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP



For more information:



Service Name:

Funding Opportunities

Service Description:

Financing programs to support researchers and innovators in the healthcare sector in transforming laboratory discoveries into practical, applicable solutions in healthcare. The programs focus on clinical trials and applied research, providing resources and guidance to ensure the effective and sustainable translation of knowledge and innovation from the lab to the market.

Target Audience:

Researchers and Innovators

Service Provider:

Saudi NIH
المعهد الوطني لأبحاث الصحة



For more information:



Service Name:

Saudi Innovation Grants Program

Service Description:

A financing program that supports businesses and universities in turning ideas and research into practical solutions to national challenges. It provides grant funding and partnerships with the public and private sectors, focusing on the four national innovation priorities: health and wellness, sustainability and basic needs, energy and industry, and economies of the future.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



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Service Name:

Researchers Grants

Service Description:

A financing program supporting researchers and innovators to develop pioneering research that addresses national challenges and strategic priorities, providing dedicated grants to build a sustainable research environment and local capabilities, and to turn knowledge into social and economic value.

Target Audience:

Researchers and Innovators

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Ruwad Package

Service Description:

A package that enables enterprises to electronically verify their individual customers' data through direct integration with the National Information Center (NIC) databases at SDAIA. The initiative aims to ensure the highest levels of security, accuracy, and reliability in identity-verification procedures, while providing cost-effective solutions tailored to the needs of startups and SMEs.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



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Service Name:

Mazaya

Service Description:

A digital platform that brings together a diverse suite of services from platform partners, enabling beneficiaries to access services at discounted rates or with partial or full subsidies. It aims to reduce operating costs and enhance enterprise efficiency, thereby boosting their competitiveness and supporting sustainable growth.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Direct Investment

Service Description:

A financing service targeting startups headquartered in the Kingdom, through direct investment at various funding stages. The program allows investments starting from 1 million SAR and up to 30% of the funding round, aiming to support promising businesses and enable them to expand and achieve sustainable market growth.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



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Service Name:

Excellence Loan

Service Description:

A financing initiative supporting startups and tech companies with flexible financing of up to SAR 4 million and repayment terms up to eight years, enhancing growth and stability, and contributing to greater competitiveness and business sustainability.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Mentorship and Consulting

Services that provide guidance and consulting in various areas, such as technical, administrative, legal, and strategic aspects, are delivered by experts and specialists. The goal is to empower participants to make informed decisions, overcome challenges, and drive business growth.

Service Name:

Consulting Service

Service Provider:

الصندوق الثقافي
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

Service Description:

A service that provides guidance sessions for beneficiaries in the 16 cultural sectors. It develops administrative, financial, and technical skills while offering continuous support to help manage businesses effectively and increase the success of cultural ventures.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

For more information:



Service Name:

Irshad (Career Guidance)

Service Description:

A national platform that helps users make informed educational and career decisions. It offers digital tools such as career interest/aptitude assessments, exploration of academic pathways and future careers, résumé/CV building, access to motivational stories, and remote career-guidance sessions. The platform develops qualified national talent to support innovation, entrepreneurship, and enhance the competitiveness of the national economy.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Mentorship Services

Service Description:

A digital platform offering virtual consulting sessions related to technological advancements for entrepreneurs and startups. It connects them with specialized mentors to support venture growth, overcome challenges, improve decision-making, and build sustainable business foundations.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Appointments for SME Support

Service Description:

A platform for booking specialized consultations in management and quality systems. It helps improve products and services, increase customer satisfaction, enhance organizational efficiency, and boost competitiveness, thereby contributing to sustainable economic development.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Export Readiness Self-Assessment

Service Description:

A digital service that enables companies to assess their export readiness through a 10-question assessment. It provides a detailed report with actionable recommendations to address gaps and enhance competitiveness in global markets.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

المصادر السعودية
هيئة تنمية المصادر السعودية



For more information:



Service Name:

The Intellectual Property Consultancy Clinics

Service Description:

A platform that provides individuals and organizations with specialized intellectual property consultations across various domains. It aims to raise awareness of users' rights and provides tailored guidance that enables them to protect and effectively capitalize on their innovations, thereby supporting innovation and economic growth.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

الهيئة السعودية
للملكية الفكرية
Saudi Authority for
Intellectual Property



For more information:



Service Name:

Enterprise's Challenges Program

Service Description:

A digital service that helps business owners overcome growth challenges by providing a mechanism to report the obstacles they face for analysis. It then coordinates with relevant authorities to develop practical solutions, enhancing the legislative and regulatory environment and supporting business growth and sustainability.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

منشآت
monsha'at
الهيئة العامة للمنشآت الصغيرة والمتوسطة
Small & Medium Enterprises General Authority



For more information:



Service Name:

Nawafth Monsha'at App

Service Provider:



Service Description:

A unified digital platform that brings together mentorship and consulting services. It enables beneficiaries to book appointments with experts and specialists across various fields, either in person or remotely, and includes specialized portals that provide access to many of Monsha'at's services. The platform enhances success opportunities, improves project efficiency, and ensures business sustainability and stability.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Name:

SME's Support Centers

Service Provider:



Service Description:

A specialized center that offers integrated programs and services for business owners. It provides training, mentorship, consulting, and networking opportunities to build partnerships with both public and private sectors. The center boosts competitiveness, supports sustainable growth, and strengthens the role of enterprises in the national economy.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Capacity Building and Training

Programs aimed at developing the skills and knowledge of beneficiaries through specialized training, workshops, and educational programs. The goal is to enhance their competencies, enable them to keep pace with the latest developments, and strengthen the success and growth of their ventures.

Service Name:

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Service Provider:



Service Description:

An initiative that prepares mid-level tech talent in startups for leadership roles in the sector. It develops both managerial and technical skills, enhances readiness for advanced responsibilities, and fosters professional growth while strengthening the Kingdom's tech ecosystem.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

For more information:



Service Name:

Entrepreneurship Adventure

Service Description:

An interactive course for aspiring entrepreneurs wishing to transform their ideas into scalable ventures. It guides participants from ideation to launch, equipping them with the skills to overcome challenges, use technology effectively, and create innovative solutions.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Direct support request for professional certificate

Service Description:

An initiative that raises professional competency levels across the Kingdom's sectors by reimbursing fees for eligible, fund-approved professional certifications upon successful completion. It enhances the skills of the national workforce and supports a more efficient, competitive business environment.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Experimental Platform for AI in Education

Service Description:

A dedicated platform that raises awareness and fosters innovation in leveraging artificial intelligence (AI) for education. It offers training, resources, and tools that enable users to explore and effectively implement AI solutions within digital education ecosystems.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Virtual Webinars

Service Description:

A specialized training platform focused on AI, digital transformation, and education. It provides virtual programs and workshops led by local and international experts from across sectors, introducing participants to the latest developments and building practical, hands-on skills aligned with market and business needs.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Misk Startup School MasterClasses

Service Description:

A digital educational platform delivering short virtual courses for aspiring entrepreneurs. Programs focus on practical skills such as idea generation, business model development, market validation, growth management, and securing funding. Delivered by leading local and global entrepreneurs and investors, to support enhancing capabilities and support success.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Masterclass Platform

Service Description:

A specialized digital platform that strengthens entrepreneurs' skills through short courses led by global investors and experts in innovation and entrepreneurship. The courses cover idea generation and development, market validation, and business model development, providing hands-on, practical knowledge to drive project growth.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Cultural Heritage Researcher Support Program

Service Description:

A 9-month training program for researchers and professionals in cultural heritage and antiquities, providing advanced knowledge and research skills to produce peer-reviewable, publishable scholarly studies locally and internationally. It strengthens their role in heritage preservation and promotes effective, sustainable knowledge transfer.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Elevate

Service Description:

An initiative that empowers women by developing their skills in artificial intelligence and data science through specialized training programs, mentorship sessions, and internationally accredited certifications. Supported by SDAIA, this international initiative strengthens women's participation in advanced technologies and contributes to a sustainable innovation ecosystem in the Kingdom.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

SDAIA Academy

Service Description:

A specialized training platform in technology fields, offering intensive programs and bootcamps covering topics such as artificial intelligence, data engineering, and data management. Delivered in partnership with leading global universities and academic institutions, it builds the capabilities of the national workforce and prepares them for an innovation-driven digital future.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Intellectual Property Academy

Service Description:

A training platform specializing in intellectual property, offering free programs for practitioners and innovation stakeholders. Courses cover topics such as IP evaluation, copyright law, and maximizing intellectual assets, delivered both in person and online. The academy strengthens skills, fosters sustainability, and supports a mature innovation ecosystem.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

الهيئة السعودية
للملكية الفكرية
Saudi Authority for
Intellectual Property



For more information:



Service Name:

Monsha'at Academy

Service Description:

A specialized digital platform offering free training programs for business owners and interested individuals. The programs cover various areas such as financial management, marketing, technology and innovation, and e-commerce, with practical exercises and real-world applications. The academy aims to build capabilities and hone skills, supporting business sustainability and success.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

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monsha'at
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Small & Medium Enterprises General Authority

For more information:



Service Name:

Future Skills

Service Description:

A digital platform that develops users' digital and professional skills through training programs and courses delivered in partnership with local and international organizations. It combines learning with hands-on experience, building readiness to thrive in innovation and technology across modern priority sectors.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

وزارة الاتصالات
وتقنية المعلومات
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

For more information:



Data Services

Platforms and services that provide data, statistics, and descriptive information, including guidelines, reports, and datasets, enabling researchers, innovators, and companies to make informed decisions and develop evidence-based innovative solutions.

Service Name:

Guideline Manuals

Service Provider:

المركز السعودي للأعمال
Saudi Business Center 

Service Description:

A digital platform offering comprehensive guides to help users understand the procedures for starting and operating businesses. It provides information on laws and regulations, service procedures, a directory of accredited offices, appeals services, and a guide to violations and penalties, all designed to ensure clarity and facilitate smooth business operations.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

For more information:



Service Name:

Open Data Platform

Service Description:

A national platform that provides access to a wide range of government datasets published in open, reusable formats for diverse use cases. The service enables users to obtain accurate information to support research and studies, streamline planning processes, and strengthen evidence-based decision-making, thereby enhancing the efficiency of the national knowledge ecosystem.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Statistical Information Request

Service Description:

A digital platform that allows users to request access to data and statistics available from the Authority. The service enables access to accurate, up-to-date information to support the preparation of studies and research, inform strategy development and evidence-based decision-making, thereby strengthening and improving the efficiency of the Kingdom's innovation ecosystem.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Guides & Tool Kit Service

Service Description:

A digital library that offers practical tools and guidance materials to help beneficiaries develop their businesses and enhance their resilience. The resources include business planning templates, market studies, feasibility analyses, and specialized materials across various fields, providing easy access to well-structured information and actionable insights that support better decision-making and drive growth.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Business Atlas

Service Description:

An interactive platform that provides diverse commercial data and indicators about sectors and regions across the Kingdom. It enables beneficiaries to access information related to business activities such as the number of establishments, growth rates, workforce, and exports. Presented through charts and simplified maps, the data helps users make informed decisions that drive expansion and sustainability.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Cost Calculator Service

Service Description:

A digital tool that helps beneficiaries estimate the costs associated with establishing and operating their businesses by calculating the required fees from relevant authorities. It also enables users to determine the expected break-even point to assess a project's financial viability, enhancing cost awareness and improving the chances of success and stability.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



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Service Name:

Expo Service

Service Description:

An e-service that allows beneficiaries to register for and follow academic events and exhibitions organized by King Khalid University, as well as discover prominent innovations and showcased projects, making it easier to stay informed about the university's research efforts and academic activities.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Reports, Publications & Guidance Manuals

Service Provider:



Service Description:

A knowledge service providing specialized analytical reports on research, development, and innovation, along with foresight studies on future sector trends. It also offers guiding documents and regulatory frameworks, including the National Research Procurement Guide, the National Technology Transfer Offices Guide, and research grant regulations issued by the authority. The service aims to enhance transparency and strengthen scientific knowledge among all stakeholders in the innovation ecosystem.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)



Competitions and Hackathons

Interactive initiatives within the open and collaborative innovation approach, such as innovation challenges and hackathons, where innovators and entrepreneurs meet with demand-side entities to generate innovative solutions to technical, social, and developmental challenges, thereby connecting innovators and entrepreneurs with market needs.

Service Name:

Innovative Platform – Hackathon

Service Provider:



Service Description:

A platform that brings together challenge competitions organized by the Ministry of the National Guard – Health Affairs Branch, enabling participants to propose innovative solutions via an open-innovation approach. The platform helps develop the sector and enhance its quality by adopting innovative and creative ideas.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups

For more information:



Service Name:

Co-Creation Initiatives

Service Description:

A unified national platform that brings together challenge competitions from various government entities, enabling beneficiaries to contribute innovative solutions through an open innovation approach. The platform fosters collaboration between entities and beneficiaries, supports the development of multiple sectors, and enhances their quality by adopting innovative and creative ideas.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Tourism Hackathons & Bootcamps

Service Description:

An initiative designed to stimulate innovation and build capacity in the tourism sector by organizing hackathons and skill-building bootcamps across regions nationwide. It focuses on enhancing participants' practical and professional skills, enabling participants to develop innovative solutions that drive the sector's growth and competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

The Innovation Diwan

Service Description:

An initiative designed to foster a culture of creativity and innovation among young people by empowering them to develop practical solutions to societal challenges. It aims to build a promising future through fresh ideas and active citizenship, encouraging participants to play an active role in addressing social and developmental issues.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs

Service Provider:



For more information:



Innovation-Enabling Environments

Programs and initiatives that offer diverse packages of services and support, such as community-building, spaces for sharing knowledge and experiences, specialized incentives, and partnership opportunities, to enable beneficiaries to develop their innovations, enhance their readiness, and accelerate business growth.

Service Name:

Dulani Business Center

Service Provider:



بنك التنمية الاجتماعية
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT BANK

Service Description:

A specialized center offering comprehensive services to support business owners and SMEs, including consulting, development programs, awareness initiatives, and capacity building through training. The center aims to facilitate business establishment and continuity while promoting the growth of the local business environment based on modern scientific, technological, and managerial principles.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

For more information:



Service Name:

Jada 30

Service Description:

An initiative that offers integrated coworking spaces for entrepreneurs and business owners within an environment purpose-built to foster innovation and collaboration. Services include specialized mentorship, consulting, linkages to funding opportunities, as well as training programs and community activities that promote knowledge sharing among entrepreneurs.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Entrepreneurship Center

Service Description:

A specialized center supporting innovators across the Kingdom by offering diverse services such as training, mentorship, integrated workspaces, and access to funding. The center aims to empower researchers and entrepreneurial idea owners to transform their research-based innovations into scalable, real-world ventures, strengthening the national innovation ecosystem and increasing the likelihood of venture success.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

TDF Grow Spaces

Service Description:

A program that provides support to startups and small and medium-sized enterprises in the tourism sector by offering shared workspaces at the Tourism Growth Center. It aims to facilitate the launch of new ventures and promote collaboration and knowledge exchange among innovators and experienced professionals in the field, contributing to the development of a more sustainable entrepreneurial environment.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Tawteen

Service Description:

A program designed to strengthen local content across the Kingdom's industrial supply chains by supporting national companies and partners that localize supply and substitute imports within the industrial sector. It also expedites access to financing through preferential funding solutions with flexible repayment terms, thereby boosting domestic production and advancing the local economy.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Nine-Tenths

Service Description:

A digital platform that supports entrepreneurs and SMEs through an integrated suite of interconnected services, including freelance opportunities via the "Bahr" platform, e-commerce for productive families through "Tjar," and access to datasets and reports via "Zad." The platform aims to broaden employment opportunities, encourage creativity, and foster an innovative entrepreneurial environment that drives national economic growth.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



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Service Name:

Ready-Built Factories

Service Description:

A service offering ready-built factories and industrial units for lease in various sizes, enabling businesses to launch operations quickly and efficiently. It also helps optimize the use of industrial facilities, increase productivity, and promote the localization of modern industries.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Maeen Network

Service Description:

A specialized research and innovation network that connects member entities within the Kingdom and links them to global research networks. It provides high-speed connectivity to enable secure data exchange and collaboration, along with supportive services such as storage and hosting in a secure environment. This network strengthens the Kingdom's position as a regional leader and accelerates the creation of a knowledge-based society.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Innovation Enablement

Service Description:

Enabling innovation by supporting the establishment of local startups and attracting global deep-tech companies in priority sectors. It provides a comprehensive suite of services, including legal advisory, company incorporation, intellectual property protection, and facilitating access to finance, such as soft loans and investor networks, to boost the growth of the national innovation ecosystem.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Tech Communities

Service Description:

A platform for tech communities offering spaces equipped with the latest technological tools to host events and build collaboration networks among technology and entrepreneurship enthusiasts. Services include an interactive theater, training rooms, prototyping labs, and a fully equipped studio, opening up opportunities for learning and development within a supportive and inspiring environment.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

“Made in Saudi”

Service Description:

A national program that supports and promotes Saudi non-oil industries by awarding eligible companies the “Saudi Made” mark, recognized locally and internationally, upon meeting criteria. This mark provides various advantages, including facilitated access to credit and diverse financing options through program partners, thereby enhancing competitiveness and enabling expansion into new markets.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

المادرات السعودية
هيئة تنمية المادرات السعودية



For more information:



Service Name:

Intellectual Property Services

Service Description:

An integrated online platform for patent services that allows users to file new patent applications, amend existing applications, record ownership transfers, and obtain certified copies of official documents. These services aim to protect inventors’ intellectual property rights and enable them to commercialize their innovations by transforming them into products or services with economic value.

Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:

الهيئة السعودية
للملكية الفكرية
Saudi Authority for
Intellectual Property



For more information:



Service Name:

Saudi PropTech Hub

Service Description:

An integrated environment that supports and enables innovation in PropTech at both local and global levels. The center offers a range of services that drive sector development, growth, and efficiency by empowering stakeholders and fostering a vibrant real estate ecosystem.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups

Service Provider:

REGA
الهيئة العامة للمعاقار
REAL ESTATE GENERAL AUTHORITY



For more information:



Service Name:

Innovation Center

Service Description:

A specialized environment dedicated to supporting and empowering emerging and deep technologies. It offers beneficiaries opportunities for development, testing, and experimentation under the guidance of experts and specialists. The services span all stages, from idea conceptualization to market entry, through advanced labs and facilities, complemented by training programs, workshops, and bootcamps that accelerate growth and strengthen competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Business Facilitation Offices

Service Description:

A channel that provides business owners with a structured framework to share their challenges through various chambers of commerce and industry across different regions of the Kingdom. These challenges are documented and analyzed, followed by coordination with relevant partners and stakeholders to develop practical solutions that improve the business environment and reduce barriers that limit the growth and expansion of businesses.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Tomoh - Fast-growing SMEs Services

Service Description:

An integrated environment designed to support fast-growing startups. It begins by diagnosing each startup's needs and identifying areas for development, followed by providing practical solutions such as funding, consulting, training, as well as market access. Support is delivered through a comprehensive service ecosystem that connects startups with relevant public and private sector entities, enhancing their growth and boosting their competitiveness.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

“Fikra” Commercial Innovation Ecosystem Portal

Service Description:

A digital platform designed to support the transformation of beneficiaries’ ideas into innovative enterprises through an integrated environment that offers a range of services, including training, prototyping, and access to discounted services from both public and private sectors. The platform also features innovation-related events from partners and provides access to a vast knowledge library filled with resources that foster innovation.

Target Audience:

Entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Certificate of Enterprise Size

Service Description:

A service for issuing electronic certificates indicating the size of an enterprise under the "Monsha'at" MSME classification (micro, small, and medium enterprises). This certificate enables enterprises to benefit from government and private sector incentives and privileges, such as exemptions from certain requirements and easier access to bids and contracts, thereby enhancing their opportunities for growth and stability.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Customs Exemption for Equipment and Spare Parts

Service Description:

A service that grants customs duty exemptions to industrial facilities on imports directly used in production (e.g., raw materials, intermediate goods, and capital equipment), thereby reducing operating costs, enhancing competitiveness, and supporting long-term investment in the industrial sector.

Target Audience:

Startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

National Quantum Hub

Service Provider:



Service Description:

A national initiative to build the National Quantum Computing Cluster through strategic local and global partnerships. It supports local capacity building, establishes and provides access to quantum computing labs, and empowers startups in the field, strengthening capabilities and boosting the national economy.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Service Name:

IP Commercialization Incentives Initiative

Service Provider:



Service Description:

An initiative offering a range of incentives to support intellectual property registration and commercialization, including coverage of patent registration fees and technology transfer vouchers. These vouchers provide specialized services such as economic and social studies, as well as legal support, aiming to transform intellectual property rights into commercially viable products and services.

For more information:



Target Audience:

Researchers and innovators, entrepreneurs, startups, small and medium enterprises (SMEs)

Regulatory Sandboxes

Initiatives that allow the testing and development of innovative products and services in a safe environment under the supervision of regulators. This is achieved through experimental pathways with streamlined regulatory requirements, aiming to support innovation, reduce risks, and explore innovation needs while developing suitable regulations.

Service Name:

Regulatory Sandbox

Service Provider:



Service Description:

An initiative that enables participants to test modern, innovative financial products and services under the supervision of the Saudi Central Bank (SAMA) within a flexible regulatory sandbox. It aims to catalyze innovation in the financial sector, prepare new solutions for commercial deployment, ensure customer protection, and provide regulatory guidance that balances legal and compliance requirements without hindering innovation.

Target Audience:

Startups

For more information:



Service Name:

Communications, Space & Technology Regulatory Sandbox

Service Description:

An initiative that enables participants to test their innovations in communications, space, and technology within a flexible regulatory sandbox, supervised by the Communications, Space, and Technology Commission (CST). The program helps address regulatory obstacles, enhance innovation adoption, and support the development of innovative ventures before their official market entry.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Regulatory Sandbox Program

Service Description:

An initiative that enables participants to test their products, services, or applied innovations in the fields of environment, water, and agriculture within a flexible regulatory sandbox and under the supervision of the related authorities. The program helps address regulatory obstacles, enhance innovation adoption, and support the development of regulator-backed ventures before their official market entry.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

FinTech Lab

Service Description:

An initiative that enables participants to test innovative investment products and services under the supervision of the Capital Market Authority (CMA) within a flexible regulatory sandbox. It aims to catalyze innovation in the capital markets sector, prepare new solutions for commercial deployment, ensure investor protection, and provide regulatory guidance that aligns legal and compliance requirements without hindering innovation.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

SandBox

Service Description:

An initiative that enables participants to test modern transport and logistics technologies and services under the supervision of the Transport General Authority (TGA) within a flexible regulatory sandbox. It aims to catalyze innovation in the sector, prepare new solutions for commercial deployment, ensure user protection, and provide regulatory guidance to align compliance requirements without hindering innovation.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Regulatory Sandbox Program

Service Description:

An initiative that enables participants to test their products, services, or applied innovations in the fields of environment, water, and agriculture within a flexible regulatory sandbox and under the supervision of the related authorities. The program helps address regulatory obstacles, enhance innovation adoption, and support the development of regulator-backed ventures before their official market entry.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:



For more information:



Service Name:

Regulatory Healthcare Sandbox

Service Description:

An initiative that enables beneficiaries to test healthcare technologies and services under the supervision of the Ministry of Health within a flexible regulatory environment. It aims to stimulate innovation in the sector, prepare new solutions for commercial deployment, ensure beneficiary protection, and provide regulatory guidance that aligns requirements without hindering innovation.

Target Audience:

Startups

Service Provider:

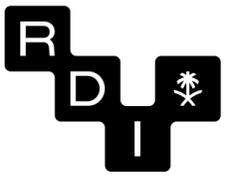


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Conclusion:

This guide reflects the Kingdom's commitment to driving economic and knowledge-based growth through innovation. It brings together a wide range of services — including incubators and accelerators, research labs and facilities, financial enablement, mentorship and consulting, capacity building and training, data services, competitions and hackathons, and regulatory sandboxes — all designed to help transform ideas into scalable solutions. Selecting the appropriate service is a critical step toward building a thriving economy that supports an ambitious nation and a vibrant society.



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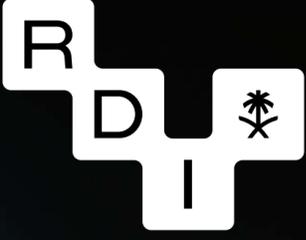
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