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# Establishing Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) in Ugandan Universities


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# **SYNERGIES BETWEEN URSB AND UNIVERSITIES TO PROMOTE TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT IN UGANDA**



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# Introduction


## Project Objectives

- Reinforce the capacity of developing countries to participate in the global knowledge economy
- Support researchers in creating and developing new solutions to technical challenges faced on a local and global level

# Methodology

- Establish contact
  - Consultative meeting
  - TISC establishment
  - M&E
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# Established TISCs

- Mbarara University of Science and Technology
  - Busitema University
  - Kyambogo University
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# Consultative Meetings

- Gulu University
- Makerere University
  - *Technology*
  - *Agriculture*
  - *Health Sciences*

# Established contact

- Muni University





# Future plans

- Reach out to more Public Universities
- Spread out to private universities spread allover the country.
  - KIU
  - Ndejje
  - UCU



# Benefits

- IP registration from most of the institutions contacted
- Increased awareness on general Intellectual property systems
- Increase in number of local patent applications
  - *16 Local applications 2016*



Consultative meeting at Gulu University



Consultative meeting at Mbarara University of Science and Technology




TISC training at UNCST



TISC training for focal persons in host institutions



# Challenges

- Absence of institutional policies
    - Ownership
    - Patenting Vs publishing
    - Publicly funded
    - Enforcement
    - Technical capacity to handle IP protection
    - Exploitation of IP assets
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