

Session on  
"The Role of Small and Medium Sized Enterprises  
in Realizing GCP's Mission"

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**Proceedings:**

This being a new concept in the Scientific Meeting, the response was very poor. Very few participants visited the stall and those who visited were kind enough to share their views and enter into discussions on this topic.

The following are the core concern and emerging views to share with GCP:

1. Trust was first concern. To involve the small and medium sized enterprises in realizing GCP's mission, the visitors felt that it is important to have trust between the private and public. I emphasized on the development of the working relationship between two to overcome the pre-determined concern of trust. The concern of "trust" can be resolved only by development of our working relationship.
2. Incentives: For such relationship, the incentives are to be clearly defined.
3. Clear Title: The role of small and medium sized enterprises can be well defined with clear title through specific agreement. The major concern of such enterprises would be to know the clear title of the material or the technology or the product which they need to commercialize so that they don't see any risk in accepting such role.
4. After having good discussions with the visitors who visited this session, a clear understanding has emerged that if the end product is seed, then there is a definite role of the small and medium sized enterprises in realizing GCP's Mission.
5. On the overall perspective, this being a new concept for the researchers, it did not attract the attention of GCP ARM participants.

End of proceeding note