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Economic Development in the Negev through Renewable Energy R&D center

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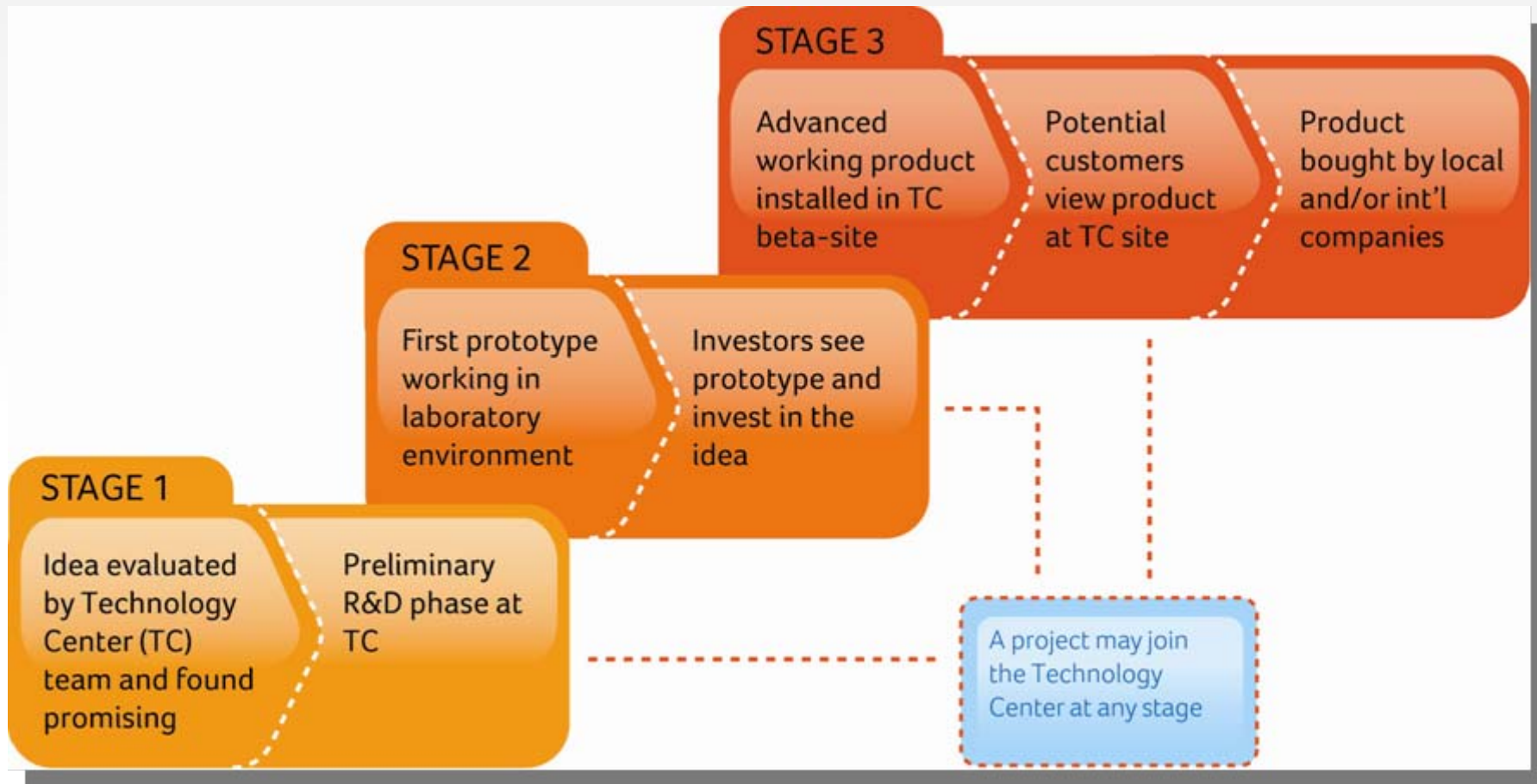
- Basic Research
- Power Stations
- Industry
- R&D centers

THE INITIATIVE: A RE TECHNOLOGY CENTER

- Led and partly financed by the Government, to encourage the renewable energy industry
- A meeting point between the renewable energy industry, academia and entrepreneurs
- The goal: to bring together the most experienced, innovative researchers in
one powerful intersection



SAMPLE PROJECT LIFECYCLE



THE CONSORTIUM

A joint venture between academia, industry and finance companies

- The Consortium will be responsible for selecting the projects to be developed, and managing the activity at the Center
- The Israeli government will support the Consortium by providing matching financing, and helping create the cooperation between academia, industry and the Center



SELECTION CRITERIA – BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED ACCORDING TO:

- The technological know-how and experience of the bidder and his shareholders
- Experience in the international business arena
- Accessibility to supplementary financing
- Experience in high level management
- Quality of business plan

BUDGET ESTIMATE (IN MILLIONS OF NIS)

Example of annual breakdown

Activity	Y1 – Y5		Comments
	Gov.	Cons.	
Preliminary Phase - Identification of potential projects	6.6	3.4	Scope of support for the project – 66%. Maximum approved budget for all projects each year will not exceed 2 Million NIS.
Advanced Phase - Advancement of projects	42.5	7.5	Based on the estimate of one project in the first year, 3 in the second, and 4 in the third, fourth and fifth, at an investment of 2.5 Million NIS per project for the duration of its span (two years). Scope of support – 85%
Beta-Site Phase- Preparation and management of beta-sites	6	6	Support for 3 years from the date of first submission. Scope of support – 50%. Maximum approved total budget each year for all the requests will not exceed 4 Million NIS.
Unforeseeable	1.9	N/A	
Total	57	23.4+	By end of Y5 the concessionaire must match the investment of the government

Government investment for the entire period up to 57 Million NIS

NEXT STEPS

- Deadline for submission of bids:
March 25, 2010
- For more information, please contact the Office
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