Re-imagined Industrial Policy: Next Steps

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Economic Growth 'Strategy'



Learning from the Automotive Sector

- Targeted industrial policy intervention over decades has made the auto industry SA's most successful & dynamic manufacturing exporter
- Natural evolution of the sector
 - The key to the success of the auto programme is government did not seek to change the natural evolution of the programme
 - Continual engagement with stakeholders to align the country's requirements with the sector's requirements
 - Prioritisation of excellence was key as the goal was to continue to be part of the global value chain
- Success from integrated, responsive, long-term & very large-scale approach
 - Combination of trade, infrastructure, tax & skills policies, & not just incentives BUT the utilisation of all levers has made automotives a success
 - Continual engagement with stakeholders in the development of sector strategy (compacting)
 - When challenges have emerged there has been a relatively rapid action to address problems collaboratively
- Advanced industries are critical for industrialisation but do not only create direct jobs. They require a combination of:
 - Developing equally large-scale programmes for labour-intensive manufacturing & value-adding service industries
 - Continue to support high-tech industries as central to industrialisation, & expand employment to support agricultural value chain & tourism for instance

Learning from the Automotive Sector

- Understanding the impact of work stoppages and port bottlenecks in a global value chain
 - Reliability of labour and port availability essential components of productions & establishing a reputation as a reliable supplier
 - Port bottlenecks significantly impacts on export deliveries & on availability of parts
- On-going investment & upgrade of machinery and skills
 - On-going skills upgrade based on global standards
 - Machinery upgrades have been an essential part of maintaining position in global value chain
 - Integration of OEM & supplier standards
- Challenge is to get programmes to scale (effort must equal outcomes & impact) & don't repeat what doesn't work – have the audacity to change if things don't work
 - Manage risks through commitment but also continual evaluation & responsiveness
 - Clear priorities so that we can mobilise resources & capacity on reach scale
 - Require high level leadership to deal with poor implementation & coordination across government
 - Ensure platform for engagement with stakeholders (compacting is a deal breaker)
- Continuous assessment, evaluation and adaptation in the programme

Successful Industrial Policy works with a Combination of Levers



As a result

- In terms of export shares from 1994 to 2017, the most marked increase occurred in auto, which climbed from 1% to 10% of total goods exports (total export value reached over R171bn in 2016)
 - Total export value reached over R150bn in 2016; imports were valued at just over R80bn in 2016
 - By 2017, autos dominated manufactured exports outside of commodity-based products in the mining & agricultural value chains
- Direct job creation is only around 110 000, incl. input production
- Automotive sector median employee earnings in 2016 was R5633 a month, compared to R4000 in the rest of manufacturing & R3300 in other sectors
- Spillovers into technology development are significant both at a local & global levels

What does it mean to rethink IP?

- Identify policy objectives
- A national focus with sufficient **prioritisation** of sectors
 - Prioritisation means that we cannot cover all sectors to the fullest
 - The importance of a value chain approach
- Coordinating and aligning our Industrial Policy response
 - Industrial Policy has been considered a "dti issue" with other departments & SOC's sometimes ignoring localization requirements
 - Industrial strategy must be established as one of the central pillars of the revised economic policy and more strategically focused within the MTSF across government departments, SOE's and agencies
 - Must be driven from the center of government Political driven by the President
- A lack of collaborative approach with industry & other stakeholders as a prerequisite for sector success – where this has happened the impact has been positive such as Automotives, Tourism, Business Processing Outsourcing as well as in Clothing, Textile, Footwear & Leather
- **Capacity** within and outside the State to implement a re-imagined industrial policy
- Evidence-based policy approach with continual evaluation and learning

1. Prioritisation of Sectors

- Policy objectives: labour intensive growth, exports, capability development etc
- Industrial Sector (Automotives, Clothing Textile Leather and Footwear, Chemicals and Plastics, Energy – Renewables and Gas, Steel and Metal Fabrication
- Tourism
- High Tech (Digital economy inclusive of ICT and Software Production, Health and Defense Economy)
- Agriculture and Agro-processing (4-5 high value exports)
- Mining (minerals beneficiations)
- Creative Economy
- Oceans Economy

Need a proper filtering criteria?



High number of Subsectors Identified through the high-level research **Preliminary Filter Criteria** 1. Current impact on the global economy 2. Mobility and future growth potential 3. Historic performance in terms of FDI 4. Impact of FDI barriers on investors 5. Employment impact (current and future) 6. Impact on global trends (green economy, technical advances, etc.) 7.Strong comprehensive feedback from stakeholders **Priority Subsectors**

That will be analysed in detail as part of the sector scan and lead to the development of Master Plan

2. Getting the Eco-System Aligned



3. Collaborative Approach

- 13 Departments, 14 SOE's, 25 Agencies, 14 Employer Associations and 15 plus Unions
- Masterplan encompasses policy, research and industry deliverables
- A masterplan is developed by:
 - Comprehensively reviewing the South African value chain's present position and policies
 - Completing an industry SWOT, and drawing lessons from international successes
 - Developing policy and regulation recommendations for government
 - Proposing programmes for collective action (industry, government and labour)
 - Developing development targets for industry
 - Establishing an institutional structure to drive implementation
- Establishment of Industry Reference Group (IRG) and Executive Oversight Committee (EOC) to manage and drive the process

Elements of a Master Plan



Enabling policies and regulation

4. A continuous learning system

- Must be evidence based
- Development of an extensive monitoring and evaluation system to track commitments
 - Develop systems and not adhoc arrangements
 - Must be able to address blockages speedily
 - Shift direction if needs be
 - Abandon if objectives are not being achieved
- Regular review against outcomes to ensure on track and avoid unnecessary delays – this should be done on annual basis with a major evaluation every 3 years
- Develop strong capacity and delivery units across eco-system to ensure success

Reemphasis of Critical Success Factors

- There is value in having fewer priority sectors for concentration of efforts distinguish between business as usual and new efforts
- Having clear-cut & targeted outcomes is essential
- Every sector is different and thus Plans must be adaptable & changed if they do not work
- Understand and address factors essential for setting up & scaling up operations to achieve outcome
- Understand and address costs imposed by regulation and inefficiency
- Social Compacting is a critical factor for success