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Jamaica and the Nanotechnology Approach to Economic Development.

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## Abstract

Nanotechnology is expected to have a major impact on global economies this century and is an important sector for Jamaica in achieving the agenda of becoming a competitive and dynamic knowledge-driven economy by 2030. Key to this will be the active participation of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), which are seen to be a major source of innovation and entrepreneurship, and could help Jamaica to better capitalise on and improve itself to a world-class research level. However SMEs often have difficulty in accessing funds and support to achieve their full potential.

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