



Thematic
analysis/diagnosis:
Science and Research

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Science and research are a key element that helps improve the standard of living, takes into consideration the weaknesses of society, and through research and innovation activities, offers solutions for investing in aspects that have a greater potential of contributing to the accelerated general development and growth of the country. This analysis provides detailed information and conclusions about the progress of scientific and research activities in the country, serving as a starting point in planning this field as part of the NDS for the next twenty years. Through a review of relevant documents related to the planning of the scientific research area, the main stakeholders in the field and the indicators that describe the current state of affairs of this sector, the potential and the shortcomings in the system are identified. Additionally, the perceptions of citizens and participants in the field are considered, emphasizing aspects with the potential for development in scientific and research activities. Furthermore, the interconnectedness of the science and research field with other relevant cross-cutting issues is demonstrated. The conclusions from this analysis provide several valuable recommendations for the advancement of science and research, underscoring the importance of integrating this thematic area into the NDS of the Republic of North Macedonia.