



# **NIGER STATE INVESTMENT PROMOTION AGENCY**

## **REPORT ON THE NIGER STATE PUBLIC PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENT ON THE PREPARATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF 2025 BUSINESS ENABLING REFORM ACTION PLAN (BERAP) HELD AT HAUWA WALI MULTIPURPOSE HALL, GOVERNMENT HOUSE MINNA ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2024**

### **1.0 Preface**

The Public Private Sector engagement session organized by the Niger State Investment Promotion Agency in collaboration with the Niger State Chamber of Commerce was held on 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 at Hauwa Wali Multi-purpose Hall, Government House Minna. The aim of the session was to engage relevant MDAs and key private sector player in the development of the 2025 Business Enabling Reform Action Plan (BERAP) of the State Action on Business Enabling Reform program.

### **2.0 Attendance**

The engagement drew participants from relevant MDAs, private sector players, Investors, MSMEs with an attendance of about 90 participants.

### **3.0 Welcome Address:**

The welcome Address was delivered by Hamza Sarki Bello, Permanent Secretary Ministry of Industry, Trade, Investment & Private Sector Development (MITI & PSD) in his remark he welcomed participants to the engagement. He said the BERAP of the SABER, a three Years intervention program of the World Bank was a welcome development in the state and it would help in the process re-engineering of most key Business Enabling Environment MDAs to step up their activities and ensure that the Business environment continue to remain favourable to do business in the State.

### **4.0 Brief Objective of the Stakeholders Workshop**

This was delivered by Amina Sanusi, Executive Secretary /CEO, Niger State Investment Promotion Agency. She appreciated the turn up of key MDAs and private sector players to yet another engagement of the 2025 BERAP of the SABER program. She outlined the key objectives of the stakeholder's engagement and what it seeks to achieve as follows;

- i. Brief on the deliverables of the 2024 BERAP plan and appraise performance
- ii. Seek the private sectors inputs and submissions on the 2025 BERAP plan
- iii. Capture the challenges faced by the private sector in the state doing business and reflect them as an activity on the 2025 BERAP plan
- iv. Foster more synergy between the private sector and Business Enabling Environment MDAs
- v. Wrap up all the submission and present in a plan for onward submission to SABER

## **5.0 Discussions on the Activities to be captured in the 2025 BERAP from Focal MDAs**

**5.1 Niger State Investment Promotion Agency:** The agency whose responsibility is to coordinating all investment activities in the state made submissions on the activity area below

- Continuous advocacy on ease of doing business activities
- Organizing regular stakeholder's engagements on access to credit for MSMEs in the state
- Carryout aftercare services and intervene on challenges faced by investors
- Increase private sector participation in the process of policy and institutional reforms
- Monitoring and tracking of inflow of domestic and foreign direct investment

Also Agencies that share similar activities on the result area are Ministry of lands and Survey, Niger State Geographic Information System, Niger State Internal Revenue Services, Chambers of Commerce, Manufacturers Association of Nigeria, National Association of Small & Medium Scale Entrepreneur, Min. of Finance, Min. of Investment, Min. of Women Affairs

### **5.2 Niger State Ministry of Land & Survey**

- Improved institutional procedural framework for land management and Administration
- Increase private sector participation in the process of policy and institutional reforms

***Other MDAs that align to these activities are:*** Niger State Geographic Information System, Ministry of Agriculture Niger State Internal Revenue Service, Niger State Urban Development Board, NAMDA and Niger State Water Board, Niger State Signage Advertisement Agency

### **5.3 Niger State Geographic Information System**

- Improved regulatory framework for private investment in fiber optics infrastructure
- Sustaining the aggregated per line meter fee of N145 for broadband development

**Other MDAs that are aligned with these activities are:** Niger State Urban Development Board. Min. of Lands & Survey, Min. of Works, Min, of Communication & Digital Economy

### **5.4 Ministry of Industry, Trade, Investment & Private Sector Development**

- Increased transparency of fees and levies for Inter-state trade export certification
- Establishment of Desk Office across the 25 LGs

***Other MDAs that align to these activities are:*** One Stop Shop, Niger State Internal Service, Ministry for Local Government, Niger State Public Private Partnership Agency.

## 5.5 Niger State Judiciary

- Establishment or Designation of Special Courts for Handling Commercial & Business Disputes

**Other MDAs that align to these activities are:** Niger State Commodity & Export Promotion Agency, Niger State Investment Promotion Agency, Niger State Public Private Partnership Agency

## 5.6 Niger State Public Private Partnership Agency

- Disclosure of Public Private Partnership Framework in Niger State

**Other MDAs that align to these activities are:** Niger State Commodity & Export Promotion Agency, Niger State Investment Promotion Agency, Niger State Public Private Partnership Agency

## 6.0 Questions and Answer Session

The questions asked were mainly dawned from some private sector players on the need for regular interface to ensure an enclosed business environment

## 7.0 Conclusion

The Head of OGP /SABER Focal, Mr. Aliyu Sanusi thanked everyone for attending and pledge the support of the agency to resolve most challenges faced by the private sector in doing business through ensuring that they are captured in all BERAP for the subsequent SABER years.



**Sanusi Aliyu**  
Head of OGP /SABER Focal Person



**Amina Sanusi**  
ES /CEO /Reform Champion

## Annexes

### Annex 1: Workshop Agenda

**Niger State Investment Promotion Agency  
In Collaboration With  
Open Government Partnership /SABER Focal Office**

<b>Date / Time</b>	August 13 <sup>th</sup> December, 2024 / 9:00am
<b>Subject</b>	One Day Public Private Sector Engagement on Development of 2025 BERAP
<b>Moderator</b>	Emmanuel O. Nwogwugwu
<b>Venue</b>	At Hauwa Wali Multipurpose Hall, Government House Minna On Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August, 2024

Time	Activity	Responsible
9.00 am – 9.30am	Arrival/registration	Moderators
9.30 – 9 .50 am	Opening Session: <i>Welcome address,</i>	MITI & PSD
9.50am -10.20am	Brief on the Objectives / Essence of the Engagement	NSIPA
10.20am-11.00am	Review of 2024 BERAP Plan: <i>How it has impacted on the concerned MDAs and Private Sector Players</i>	All
11am – 11:30am	<b>Submissions form Focal MDAs on the Activities to be captured in the 2025 BERAP</b>	MDAs & Private Sector
11:30am -11:50am	<b>Question and Answer Session: <i>Moderated Panel Session for MSMEs to ask questions and clarify concerns</i></b>	Moderator
11:50am-12:00pm	<b>Wrap up &amp; Report Presentation</b>	All
12:00pm-12:10pm	<i>Group Photograph</i>	All
12:10pm-12:20pm	<b>Closing Remarks &amp; Prayers</b>	OGP /Focal Person
12:20pm	Lunch	All participants

## Annex 1: Attendance



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