## **Establishment of ECO Nanotechnology Network**

The 1st ECO Taskforce Meeting on Establishment of ECO Nanotechnology Network (Tehran, May 20-21, 2008) agreed with the proposal to establish the subject Network and submission of the Project Proposal to the CPR and to the 18th COM for approval. The 18th COM (Tehran, 9th March, 2009) endorsed the Project on the Establishment of ECO Nanotechnology Network and it was launched by Iran Nanotechnology Innovation Council (INIC) as the coordinator on 26 May 2009.

The 1st ECO Steering Committee on establishment of ECO Nanotechnology Network (ECO-NANO) was held on 5 November 2009, in Tehran with some proposed programs. The Study on "Nanotechnology Progress in ECO Region" prepared by the INIC was released at a ceremony at the headquarters of the Council on 22 January 2017. The website of the ECO Nanotechnology Network (http://www. econano. org) was also launched at the same event. The Second Steering Committee on ECO Nanotechnology Network was held virtually by Iran on July 10, 2023. The ECO Nanotechnology Network agreed to focus on project proposal "Establishment of a coordinating and facilitating platform for implementation of Nanotechnology based water treatment pilot/demo plants in ECO" for implementation regarding its importance and necessity for the ECO countries. As the next step, the ECO Nanotechnology Network will focus on the subject project.