STI Governance System of Paraguay
2. Overview of CONACYT

- **Founding**
  - Established in 1997 (based on Law No. 1028 of S&T)
  - Its Board Council: 14 members from diverse parts of the society (ministries, industry and business associations, academia, labor union, and civil society orgs.)

- **Organization Chart**
  - 3 departments: CONACYT, ONA, Finance & Administration
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- **Mission**
  - To coordinate, evaluate and promote the National STI System and the National Quality System
  - To generate and promote public policies and strategies for S&T development, in a social, ethical and environmentally sustainable manner

- **Roles (White Paper, 2014)**
  - The leader of the National STI System
  - The coordinator of the STI network among the sectorial ministries with an integrated vision of the various institutions (R&D, academic, social and business sectors and international STI network)

- **Budgets**
  - Three types of government budget of Paraguay
    - FF10 (a tax budget from central gov.), FF20 (a loan from development bank) and FF30 (institution’s revenues and government’s energy loyalty fund).
  - **Composition of budget (2016-2017)**
    - Only 6% of the budget comes directly from the government (FF10) and 94% of the budget will come from revenues and loyalty fund (FF30).
    - Over 80% of the institutional budget is used for operations for hiring human resources, basic services and communications, and contracted services.
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Major Initiatives

- 2002: “National S&T Policy” enacted by Presidential Bill 19007
- 2005-2012: implemented “PROCIT” program funded by IDB
  - Co-finance for R&D projects and educational projects for postgraduate studies and finances the networking activities for the innovation actors
- 2010-2016: introduced “DeTIEC” program funded by matching fund with MERCOSUR
  - A 6.6 Mil. USD program specialized in innovation projects & the national quality system
- 2012-2017: Public policy for “STI Assessment and revision” was executed
- 2013-2015: add the word “Innovation” into “S&T” policy => changed into “STI” policy
- 2014-2019: launched “PROCIENCIA” program funded by FONACIDE and FEEI
  - A 123.5 Mil. USD focused on scientific research and technological development
- 2016-2020: introduced “PROINNOVA” program funded by IDB (procedures in progress)
  - A 10 Mil. USD focused on Private Sector Innovation

Red color: R&D funding programs