Top Ideas for Cost-Benefit Research

Decentralization

• Implement decentralization laws

Economic Drivers

- Offer incentives to formalize the informal sector
- Facilitate the legal migration of workers to the Dominican Republic
- Establish 3 economic zones: Northern, Central and Southern Regions
- Expand micro-park program for local producers

Education

- Provide more early childhood education
- Guarantee universal access to primary education
- Establish a post-secondary gap year program for youth
- Improve retention of girls in schools (e.g. by providing sanitary napkins)
- Increase the number of school inspectors
- Expand teacher training programs
- Teach preschool and primary school in Creole

Energy

- Increase energy production and infrastructure (e.g. power plants, electricity lines, prepaid meters)
- More off-grid electricity (e.g. distributed solar, diesel generators)

Environment

- Establish landfill sites in Cap-Haitien and Carrefour + a waste processing center
- Improve monitoring to protect against natural risks and disasters
- Boost the emergency response system and infrastructure
- Relocate and provide social housing to families living in precarious zones
- Use clean cookstoves to reduce indoor air pollution
- Strengthen agroforestry value chain

Food Security & Agriculture

- R & D to develop seeds & crops resistant to drought
- Invest in irrigation canals in agricultural production areas
- Create special agriculture zones with subsidized inputs, processing centers and cost sharing
- Improve watershed management
- Improve post-harvest transportation for "madan sara"
- Reduce seasonality in agricultural products: improve conservation mechanisms, develop small-scale processing and create packing centers
- Subsidize farmer's insurance

Governance

- Improve public service delivery with egovernance
- Ensure identification of all citizens
- Use ICT to offer basic services at departmental level: passports, archive extracts, judicial records, birth certificates, etc.
- Revise salary scale of public servants
- Use an electronic voting system for elections
- Digitize regional and central property registers
- Reform the law enforcement and prisons network
- Strengthen the administration of justice and security

Health

- Guarantee universal access to basic health services
- Centralized digital health information system
- Expand the ambulance system
- Provide health services to students
- Increase hypertension screening and treatment
- Increase diabetes screening and treatment
- Increase child immunization
- Integrate midwives into the health system
- Expand HIV prevention
- Increase HIV treatment

Human Rights & Gender

- Make support services free for victims of SGBV
- Increase women's access to credit
- Raise the minimum wage for household workers
- Improve women's equity in education and in the workplace

ICT

• Increase fiber optic lines installed

Industrial Policy & Trade

- Employ tariff barriers to boost local production
- Exploit regional comparative advantages to increase agricultural exports
- Improve product homogeneity to facilitate
- Require companies bidding for tenders to partner with local companies

Nutrition

- Provide iron supplementation
- Provide non supplements to pregnant women
- Provide micronutrients, deworming for 0-2 year olds
- Provide therapeutic foods for children
- Promote breastfeeding for baby's first 6 months

Population & Demography

• Expand family planning mobile clinics.

Poverty

• Subsidize households in extreme poverty and protect them against inflation.

Road Infrastructure

- Build the road from Gonaives to Port-de-Paix
- Build bridges for 12 rivers

Urbanization & Migration

Address challenges of urbanization and internal migration

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

- Increase access to sanitation in urban areas
- Increase water access in rural areas

