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#### THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF PUBLIC RESEARCH

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## Background

- Discussion on the regional impact of public science and HEIs has a long tradition dating back to the 1970s
- Since the late 1980s, an increasing political interest in universities' economic contribution to their environment has added further momentum to the debate

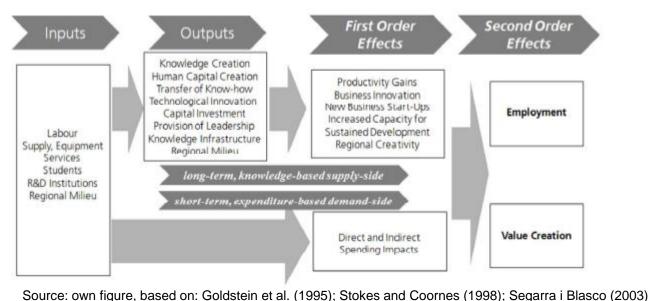
But:

- most studies have focused on the directly observable demand side effects (e.g. demand by students, employees, or HEI investments), underestimating the effects of knowledge-related outputs
- knowledge and human capital creation are the key tasks of HEIs
  - → indirect, knowledge-mediated impacts are extremely important (Florax 1992)



## **Conceptual Framework** What impacts?

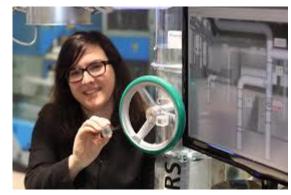
- variety of different outputs, from tangible (publications, patents) to less tangible ones (regional leadership, influence on regional milieu) (Florax 1992; Goldstein et al. 1995)
- a **broad range of transfer and interaction channels** related to various types of outputs (Abreu et al. 2009; Benneworth et al. 2009; Koschatzky et al. 2011)
- first order effects vs. second order macroeconomic impacts (Florax 1992; Garrido-Yserte, Gallo-Rivera 2010)





## Objective

- Calculating the macroeconomic effect of public science on the economy
- In particular with respect to
  - GDP
  - tax revenue
- Calculating fiscal multipliers
- Analyzing contingency effects (e.g. proximity to business, etc...)
- Method: panel regression-based approaches based on the systematic matching regional data on public science (NUTS3) with regional economic statistics







## Some core results for Fraunhofer

	FE	FE	FE
	GDP per capita	GDP per capita	GDP per capita
Net migration	165841.5538***	153657.6729***	91927.5500*
	(3.64)	(3.36)	(1.69)
Labor force	42.4203***	41.9945***	68.5971***
	(6.37)	(6.31)	(3.94)
Share HT employment	8.9139	16.4537	35.8295
	(0.20)	(0.36)	(0.93)
Share agricultural employment	122.3714	113.3253	-282.0650
	(1.35)	(1.25)	(-0.99)
FhG third party funds (p.c.)	18.3193*		
	(1.73)		
FhG investments (p.c.)		14.6410***	
		(2.82)	
FhG researchers (p.c.)			1972732.8155***
			(3.02)
Constant	Yes	Yes	Yes
Year dummies	Yes	Yes	Yes
Observations	4027	4030	1216



## Macroeconomic effects

	Third party funds	Scientists
Regression multiplier	18,30	1.972.732,00
Indicator value Germany (million €)	1.100,00	9.125,00
GDP effect (million €)	20.130,00	18.001,18
Total tax revenue (billion €)	588,50	588,50
GDP (billion €)	2.915,00	2.915,00
Taxes as share of GDP (%)	20,19	20,19
Erwarteter Steuereffekt in Mio €	4.063,98	3.634,20
Fraunhofer budget	2.060,00	2.060,00
Fraunhofer#s public funds without revenue from other countries	1.100,00	1.100,00
Tax multiplier (total budget)	1,97	1,76
Tax multiplier (public revenue)	3,69	3,30

Sources: Destatis, Kassenmäßige Steuereinnahmen der Gebietskörperschaften 2014; Bundesfinanzministerium, Geschäftsbericht der Fraunhofer Gesellschaft 2014, internal databases, own calculations



## Results for universities

- The local presence of universities leads to
  - an increase of the GDP of 4,500€ per capita
  - a reduction in the unemployment rate of of 3.1%
  - an increase in patent applications of 13%
- Overall effect on German GDP of approximately € 190 bn per year.



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## Today's speakers

- Günter Korder
  - background in industrial engineerin
  - many international management positions at amongst others Siemens and Nixdorf Computer AG
  - today operations and managing director at it's OWL Clustermanagement GmbH
- Dr. Carsten Schröder
  - background in economic geography
  - Iong career in and outside academia
  - today Vice-President for Research Management and Knowledge Transfer at Münster University of Applied Sciences







## Today's speakers

- Dr. Henric Rhedin
  - background in high energy physics
  - work experience both in and outside academia as well as in small and large companies
  - today president ASTP-Proton at Gothenburg University





## Thank you for your attention and fruitful discussions!

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### Industry 4.0 - Conditions for Effective Collaboration with Industry

Günter Korder, Managing Director it's OWL Clustermanagement GmbH 20th of September 2018

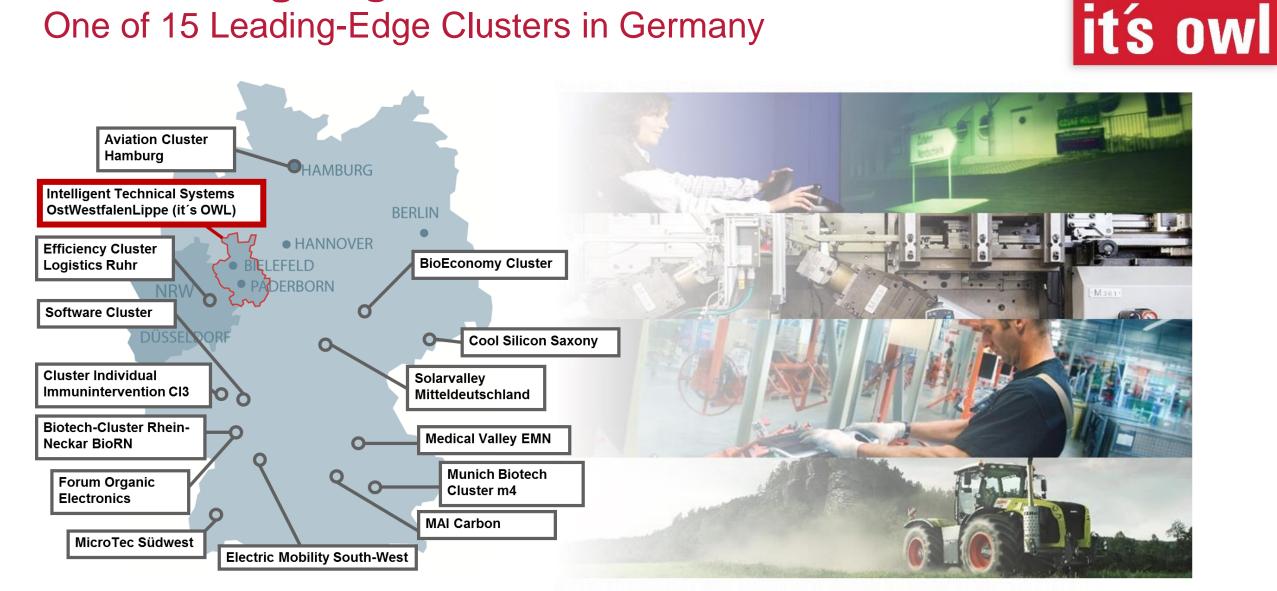
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## **The Leading-Edge Cluster it's OWL** One of 15 Leading-Edge Clusters in Germany

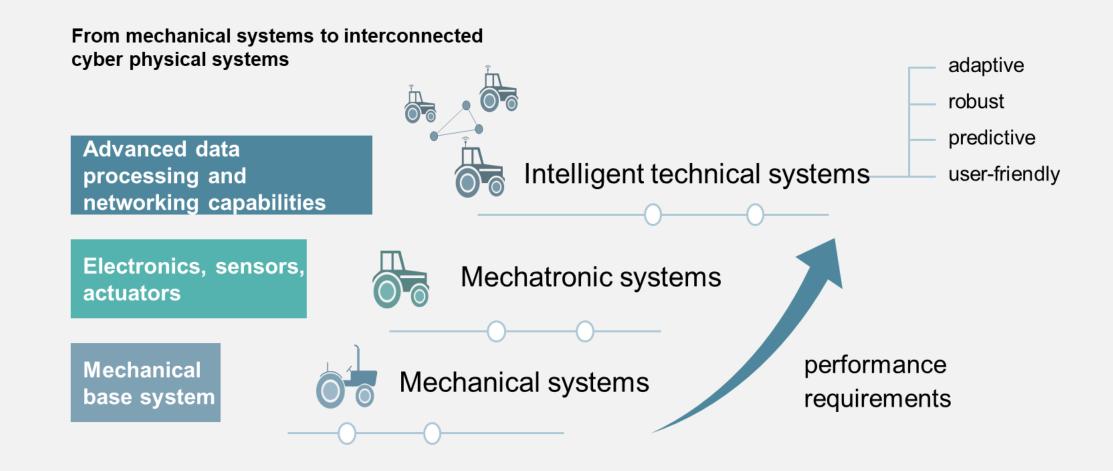
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## Intelligent Technical Systems The Diving Force Behind Industry 4.0 and IoT

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## OWL – Outstanding Region for Innovation, Added Value and Employment SME's are the Economic Backbone of our Region

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Mechanical engineering, electrical/electronic and automotive supply industries

Strong brands, hidden champions, independent family-owned companies



# OWL – Outstanding Region for Innovation, Added Value and Employment

High Performance Research Institutions & Universities are the Base

**High-Performance Research** Strength: symbiosis of informatics and engineering sciences FH Bielefeld UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES University of **RSITÄT PADERBORN** Hochschule Ostwestfalen-Lippe Applied Sciences Universität Bielefeld Die Universität der Informationsgesellschaft University of Applied Sciences **c**, lab CITEC **IRC** /L<sub>AR</sub> 🖉 Fraunhofer Fraunhofer 🗾 Fraunhofer HEINZ NIXDO IEM Universität Paderborn ENAS **IOSB-INA** O W s-lab SvM Ware Quality La



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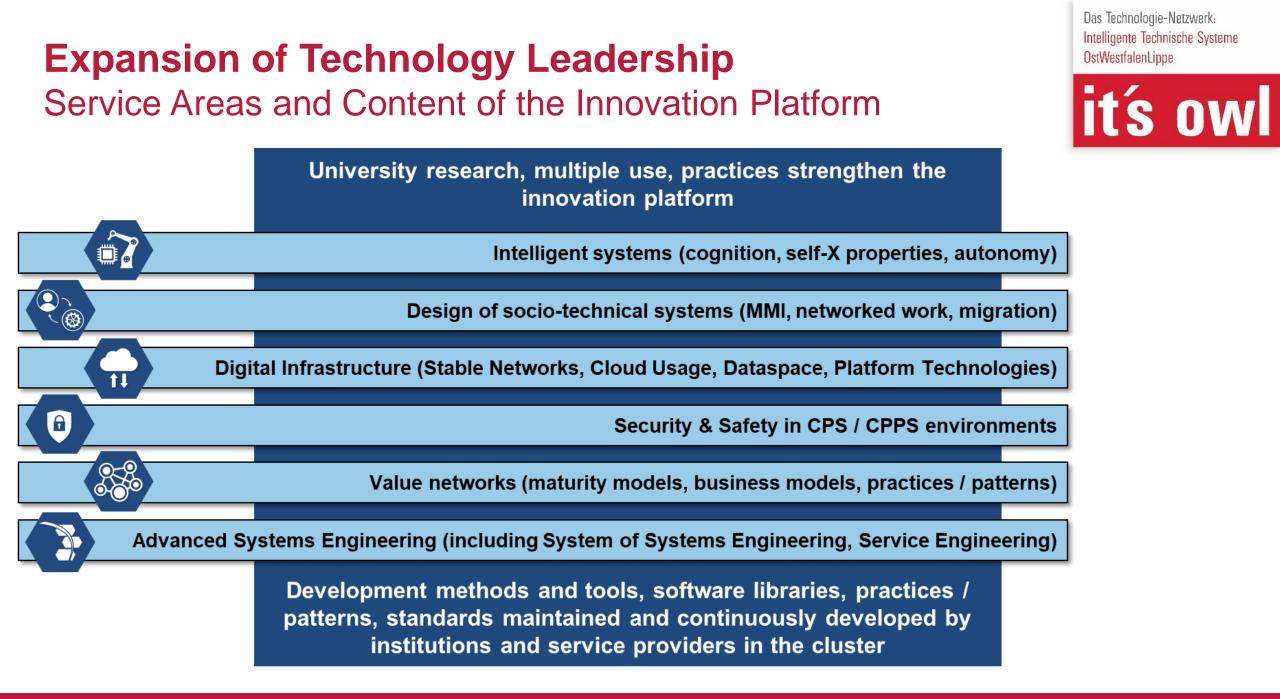
## What Have We Achieved?

It's OWL is a Highly Visible, Sought After Partner for Companies, it's OWL Colleges and Clusters, both Nationally and Internationally

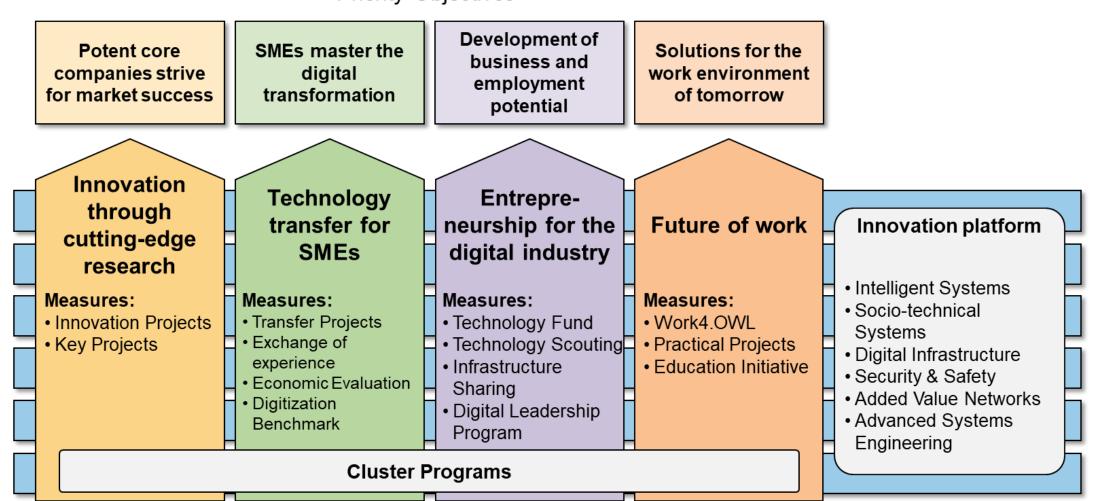
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25 **Business** plans 33 171 innovation transfer ca.300 projects projects 6 additional 7200 new scientists research additional 939 institutes jobs track student 23 new STEM work record 34 programs 2289 **Business** start-ups publications 100% 40 Mio. Euro of the points in the audit of the additional European **Cluster Excellence** promotion Initiative





## **Cluster Programs for Added Value and Employment** Program Structure 2018 - 22



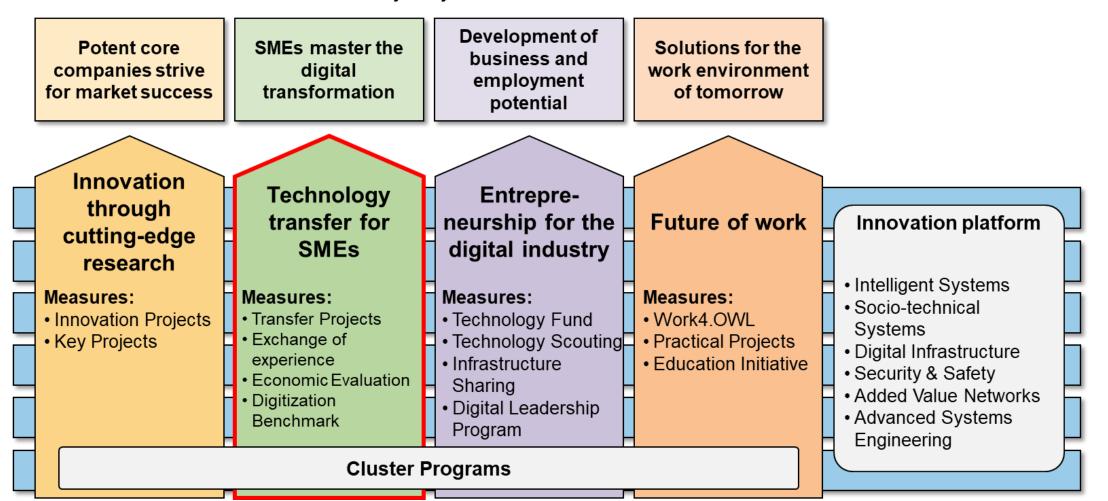
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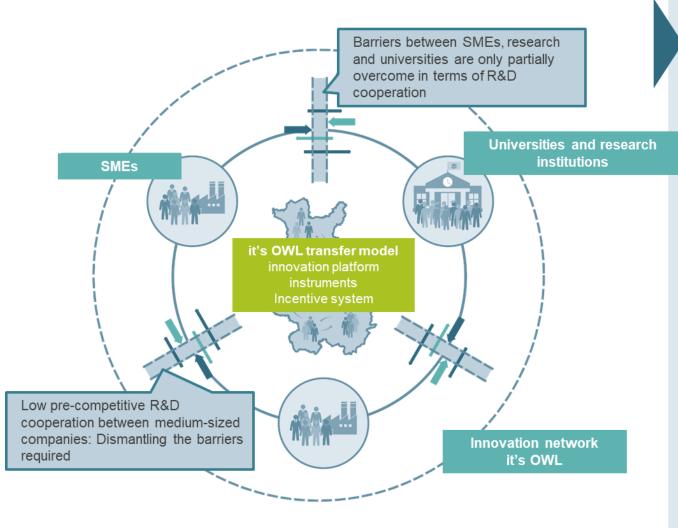
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## **Technology Transfer for SMEs**



#### **Motivation:**

- Companies gain access to advanced technologies; scientists learn through practical application
- Emergence of new partnerships as well as strategic cooperation in the region

#### **Objective:**

- Establishment of a sustainable transfer ecosystem in OWL
- Joint design of digital transformation
- Linking the innovation network
- Increase institutionalization

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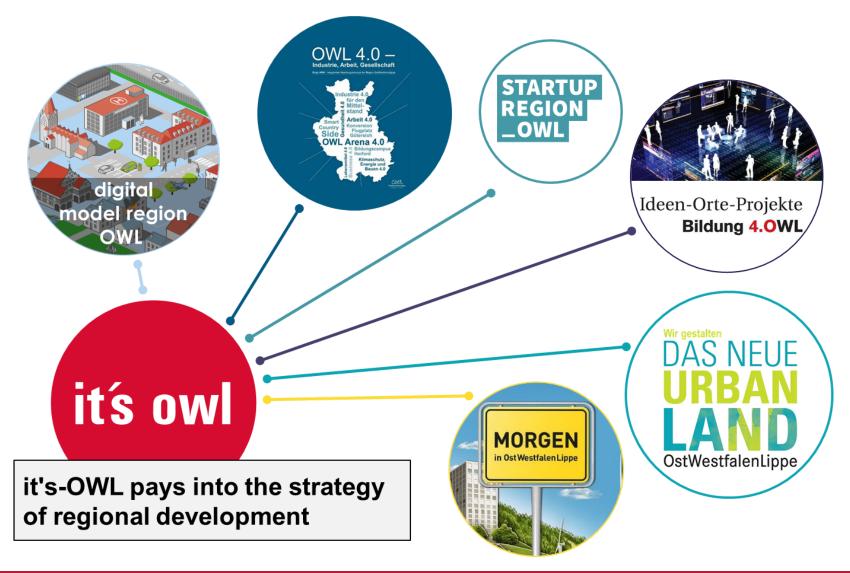
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## The Leading-Edge Cluster it's OWL Broad-Scale Dissemination of Knowledge and Technology

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## Leading-Edge Cluster it's OWL - Regional Development Effects and Development



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## It's OWL and Industry 4.0 Pioneering on the Way to Digitization

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### Extract from our strategy of 2011

The strategic thrust for the cluster's development implies an innovative leap from mechatronics towards Intelligent Technical Systems (ITS). ITS are software-intensive engineering products and production systems which are able to adapt to changing usage and operating conditions. Such systems function autonomously, partially with the help of cognition.

Buzz words in this context are "Things That Think", "Cyber-Physical Systems" and "Industry 4.0"\*.



### Footnote

\*The fourth industrial revolution refers to the integration of intelligent monitoring and control processes into industrial production in addition to their progressing automation. Vision is the integral, real-time control and optimization of whole value-adding networks.

## It's OWL and Industry 4.0 Pioneering on the Way to Digitization



Innovation region for digitization Our vision for the years to come

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### Top converter Where we stand today



Pioneers How we started off...

We spoke of Industry 4.0 before anyone else did.



Cluster partners deliver innovative Industry 4.0 solutions



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We want to emerge from digitization as a winner; this means:

- Technology leadership as a means to an end
- Transformation of technology leadership into added value and employment



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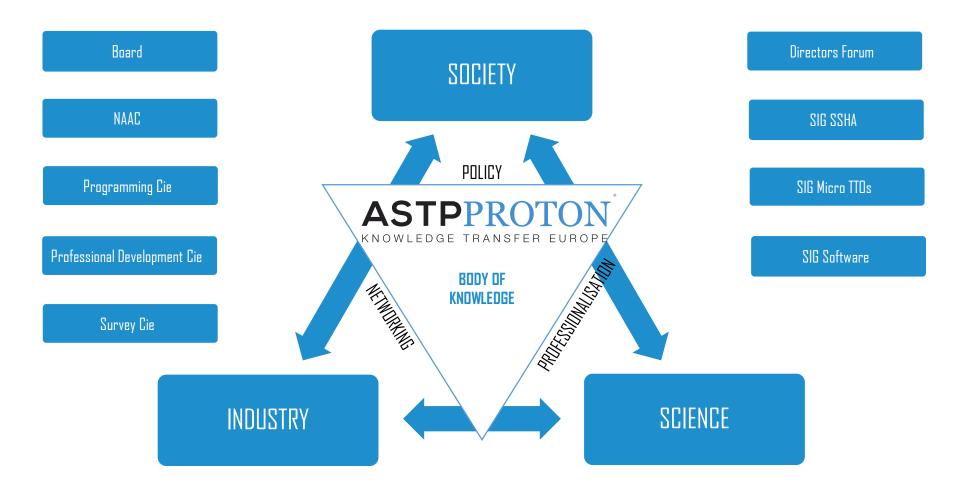
# **Mission**

ASTP-Proton is the premier, pan-European association for professionals involved in knowledge transfer between universities and industry.

By promoting and professionalizing knowledge transfer practice, the association aims to enhance the impact of research on society and the economy.



## For members by members





## About

- Professionals from both public and private sectors
- Key values are to initiate, inspire, involve and influence individuals and collectives
- Established 1999 with its HQ in Leiden, The Netherlands
- 800 individuals from over 47 countries and 650 institutions
- National Associations Advisory Council provides input from across 27 different countries



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## Key opportunities

- Universities are a key driver of innovation in the knowledge economy
- Growing market and increased political attention for utilization which includes collaboration with industry
- The scope is widening to include all utilization
- We are in the middle of the biggest change of PROs since research became important



## Key challenges; alignment

- Industry; shareholders return of investment (global)
- Government; taxpayers return of investment (national)
- Universities;
  - Research; for the best of mankind
  - Education; for the nation
  - Utilization; nobody knows
- Universities need a better defined role and be measured on utilization
  - This will solve many challenges in industry collaboration



## Dowling review key success factors

- Strong and trusting personal relationships
- Shared vision, goals and objectives defined, setting in place clear expectations
- Mutual understanding between partners
- Ability of and opportunities for staff to work across institutional boundaries
- Collaboration brings about mutual benefits
- Funding available
- Processes for agreeing contracts and IP are in place
- Clear and effective communication between partners
- Organisational support, including senior management buy-in and championing
- Willingness to devote time and resources from both parties



## Dowling review University barriers

- University metrics, including the REF, prioritise the production of high-quality publications
- IP and other contract negotiations are difficult to complete, processes difficult to navigate, or take too long
- Other pressures on academic time (teaching and research) limit resources for collaboration
- Lack of funding
- Collaborative experience not valued as part of academic career progression
- Lack of time/resource for networking or project development
- Business and academia operate to different timescales
- Tension between academic desire to publish work, and business concerns about competition
- Lack of trust or mutual understanding
- Low overall levels of business investment in R&D, including a lack of absorptive capacity



### Dowling review Business barriers

- IP and other contract negotiations are difficult to complete, processes difficult to navigate, or take too long
- Business find it difficult to identify academic partners or where academic capability lies
- Business and academia operate to different timescales
- Lack of funding
- Lack of alignment of objectives: tension between business and university needs or objectives
- Lack of trust or mutual understanding
- Businesses focus on the short term, rather than long term R&D
- Other funding issues (for example, SME eligibility, subjects within scope)
- Low overall levels of business investment in R&D, including a lack of absorptive capacity
- Lack of understanding within business of potential benefits of working with universities



## **Other challenges**

- Where is the line between government subsidies of R&D costs for industry and publically funded research?
- Attitide from universities
  - How can industry help me in my research?
  - How can the university help industry to grow?
- Companies are not uniform
  - Large companies can do it themselves, and do argue sucessfully for subsidies
  - Spin offs often not "real companies" (a real company survies on sales to customers) and it remains to be seen if they will ever contribute to growth
  - SMEs cannot do it and can (if helped) create substantial growth
- A company usually starts in low tech but needs to become high tech in order to stay competitive



## Key ingredients for success

- No clear University mission
  - Utilization is getting there
- Universities are not structured for efficient collaboration
  - Maybe they shouldn't be but then the lack of efficiency must be accepted
- Industrial collaboration would benefit from clarity in utilization of research results

# Utilization in general and in research funding

- Needs to be defined
  - In Sweden at least, there is no formal government definition
- Needs to be defined in the call for proposals
  - Large variations in Europe and in Sweden
- Needs to be evaluated by skilled professionals
  - How do we evaluate with respect to utilization excellence
  - "We will have an innovation board that will meet once per year" is simply not good enough
- Needs to be monitored and effects (impact) needs to be assessed



## Organization of universities

- For research and education there are well organized support structures with a well defined role
- If utilization is to be an important mission, what does that require
  - Well defined processes in all levels
  - Well defined policies
  - Structures that are integrated in the organization
- Compare to education
  - Support at all levels
  - Processes, methods, infrastructure in place





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### **Panel Discussion**

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## Measuring outcome of academic-industrial collaborations

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Recommendation





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#### Next up:

15.00-15.30 Tea & Coffee Break

Wintergarten B

15.30-17.00 Closing Panel: Conditions for creating Emporio I Room a sustainable framework

