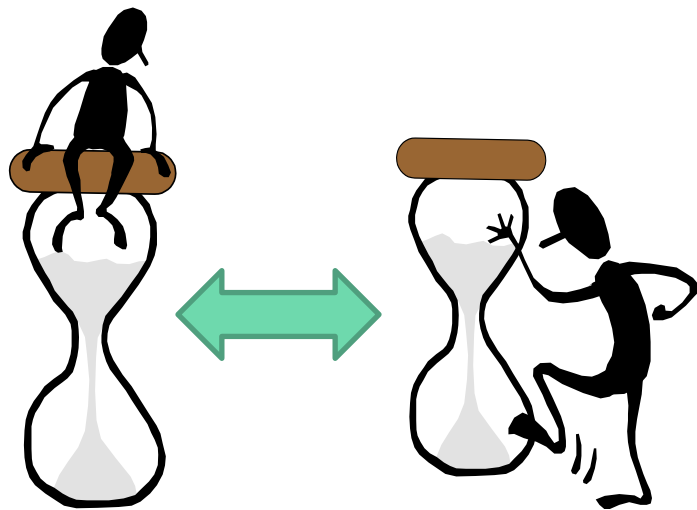




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Monitoring Energy Innovation during its Growth to Maturity

Better Appreciation of Innovation in
Evaluations

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How can M&E help to quickly show innovation results?

A. Why? (the challenge)

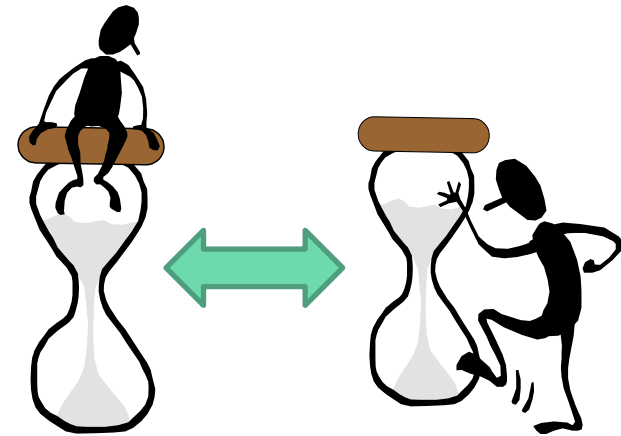
Innovation takes decades to pop up in statistics
Politics need early results to maintain support

B. What? (the method and examples)

Use M&E to show the growth of innovation systems

C. The experiences? > it helps

To visualise and assess progress in practice
In management and communication with stakeholders



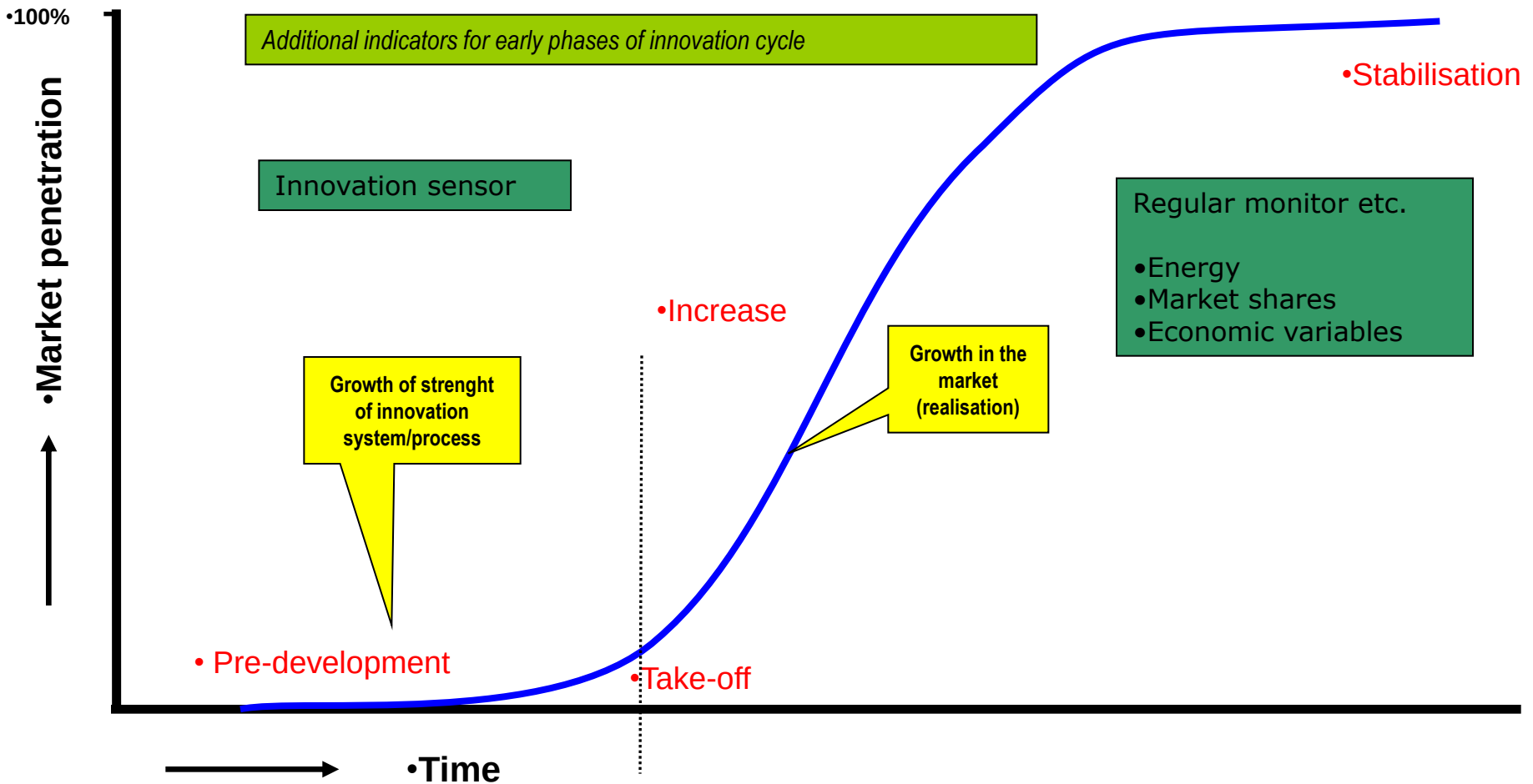


A. The challenge

M&E of innovation process asks for a special approach



Innovation vs realisation



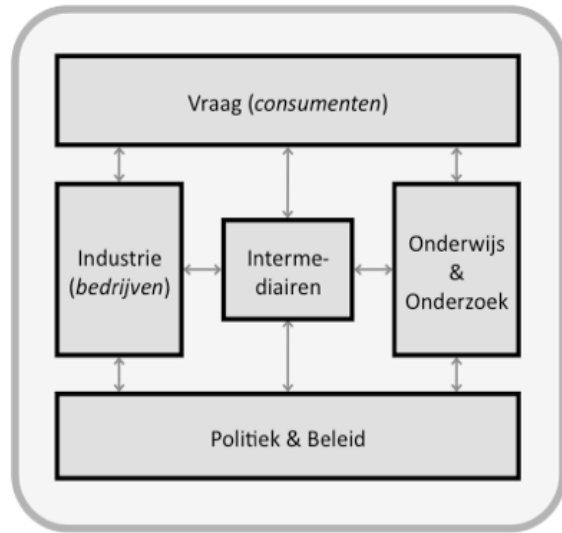


B. The approach and some examples



How do we follow innovation processes?

Success depends on balanced growth of the 'system' (involved parties, structures, etc)



Structure

Parties such as:

- R&D institutes
- Industry
- Politics/government
- Intermediaries,
- Consumers
- Interest groups etc.

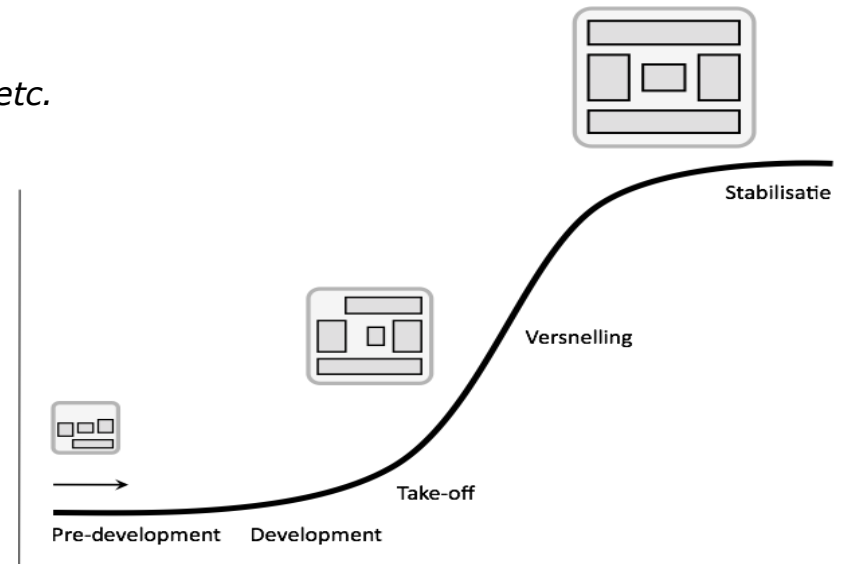
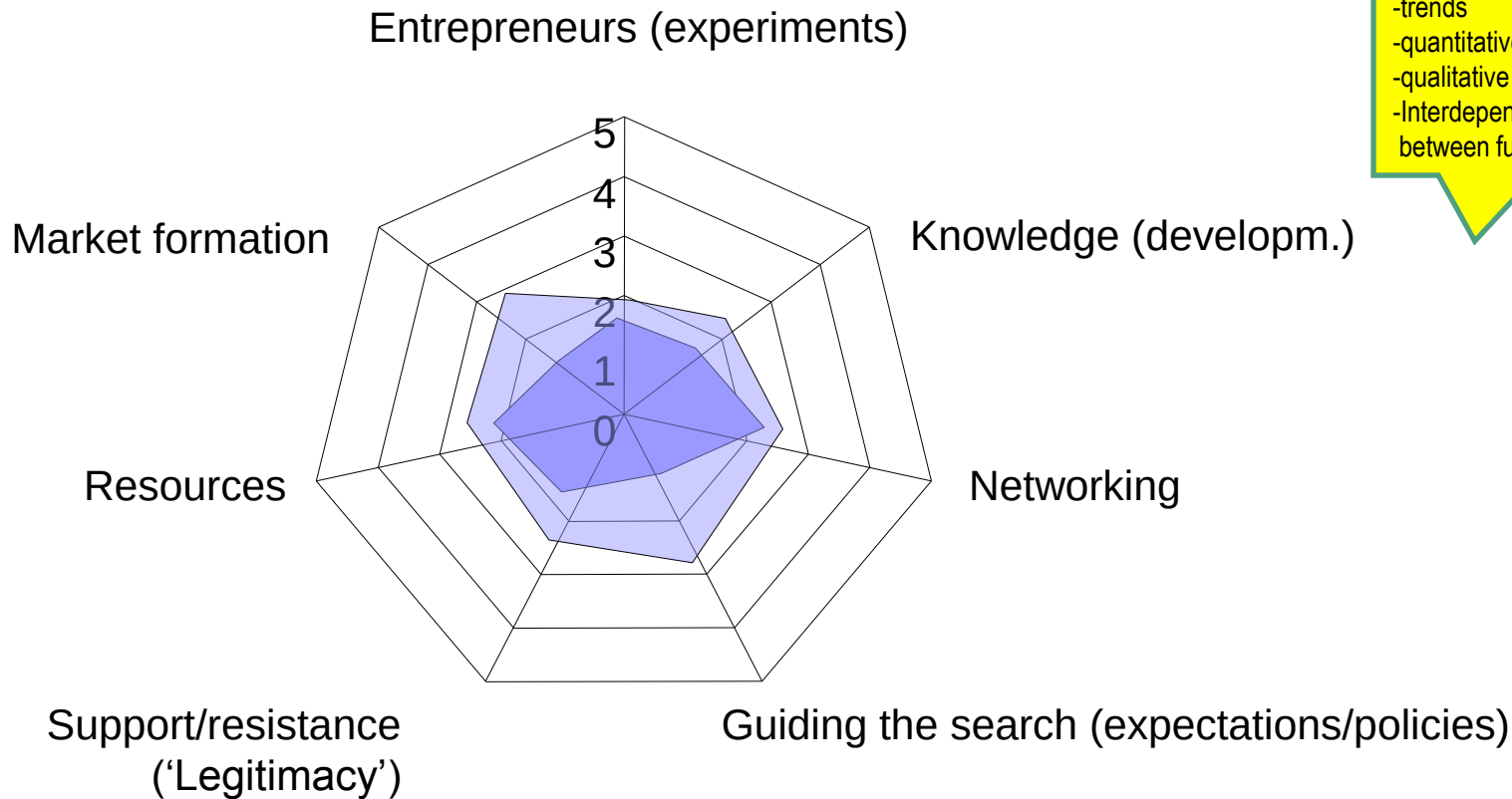


Figure: University of Utrecht



Key dimensions (functions) show where intervention may be needed
We follow the growth in strength/maturity of the innovation system



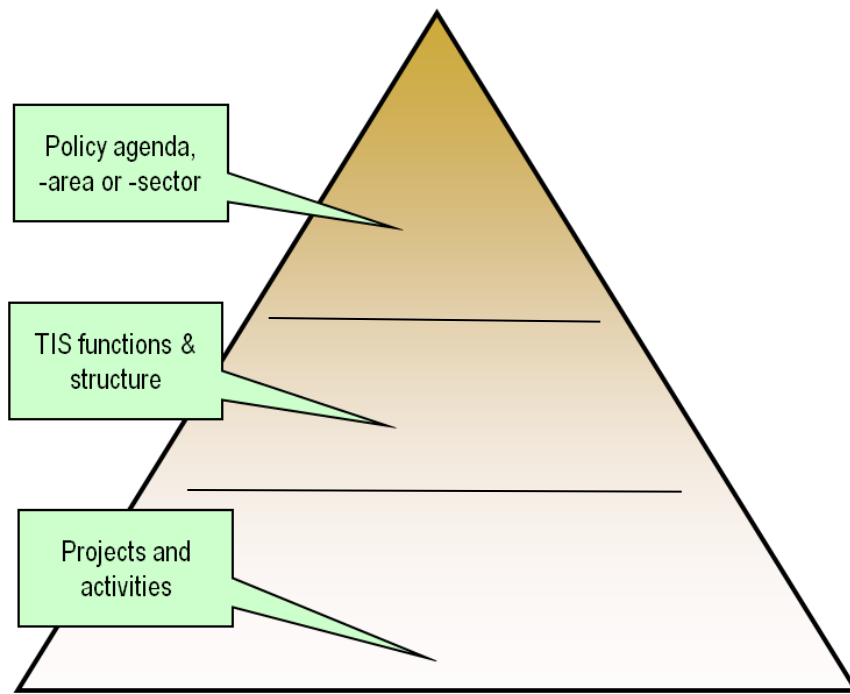
Approach gives:
-trends
-quantitative indicators
-qualitative info
-Interdependencies
between functions



Information on projects & activities structured along 'system' framework May provide useful output at various levels

Information on 3 levels

In NL we collected info from innovative projects from relevant govt.schemes



Strategical > **Directing**

e.g. Energy innovation: focus, trends, type of parties, implications for policy

Tactical > **Organising**

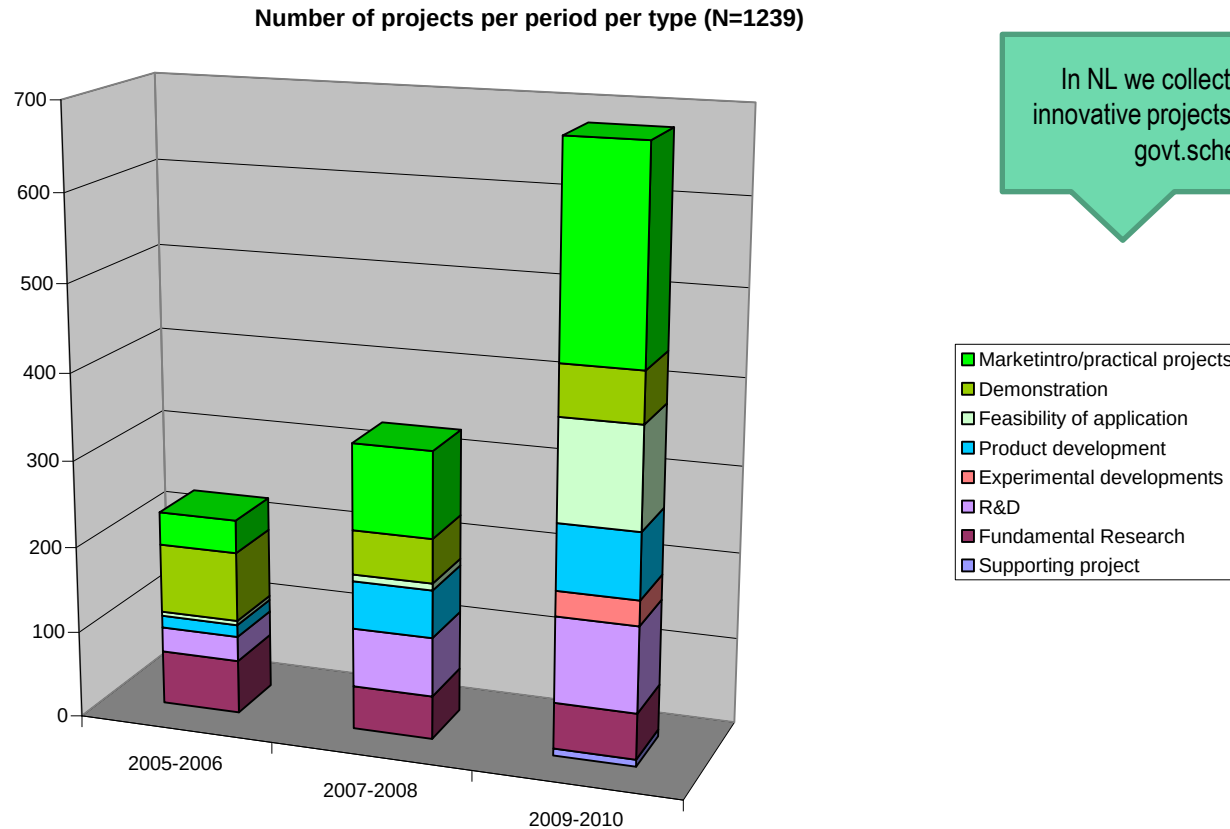
[e.g. TIS/product groups such as solarPV, structure, networking, strengths, bottlenecks in TIS]

Operational > **Implementing**

[e.g. know how, solutions, good practices, issues] b.v.



*Example for function 'experimenting by entrepreneurs' (1)
How does the market react? More valorization of knowledge? More experiments?*

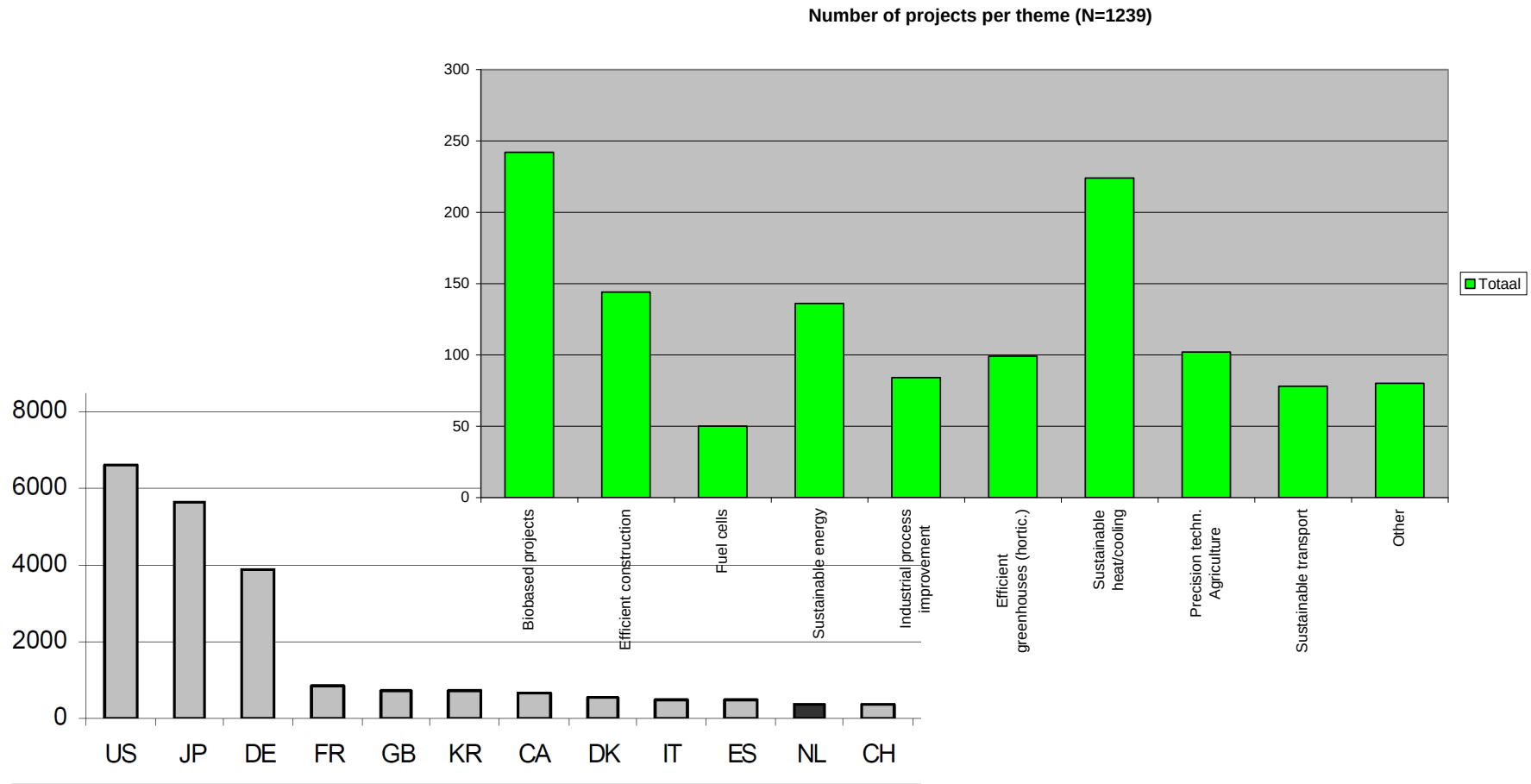


Number of newly started energy innovation projects per 2 year period and per type. Projects of types higher in the bars are further advanced along the S-curve.



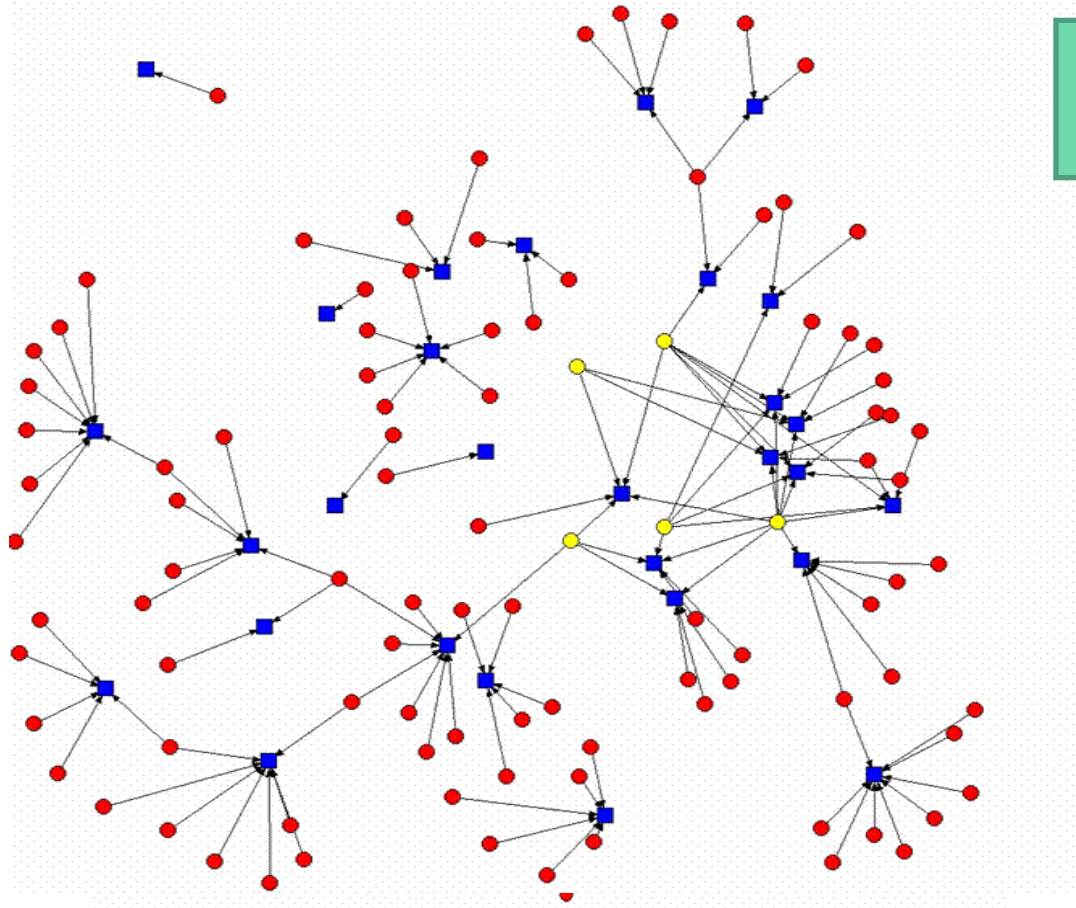
Example for function 'knowledge development'

What is the focus in developing new knowledge in projects and patents?





*Example for function 'networking' > interactions/coalitions
...the growth of (the strength and progress) of a technological innovation system*

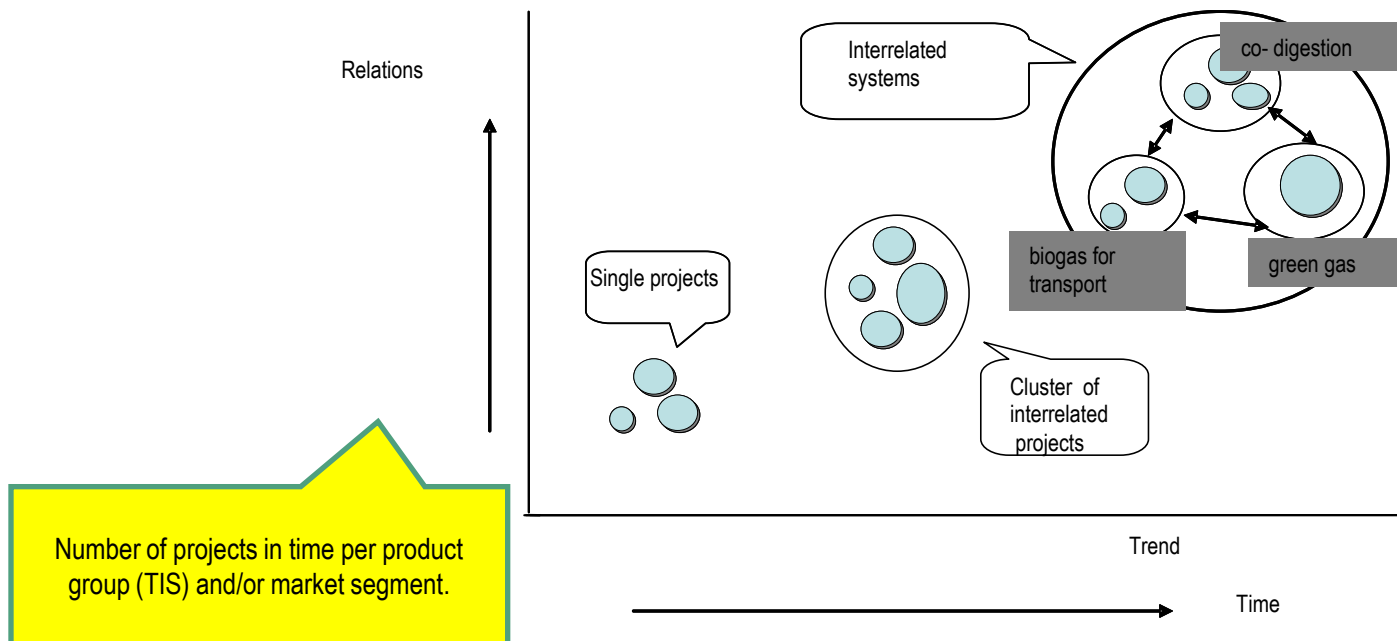


Per TIS!
Growth in # parties (/type) and
type of 'coalitions'

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Approach shows links and relations between product groups (TIS)



Technical innovation systems may show interrelations between innovation processes/systems

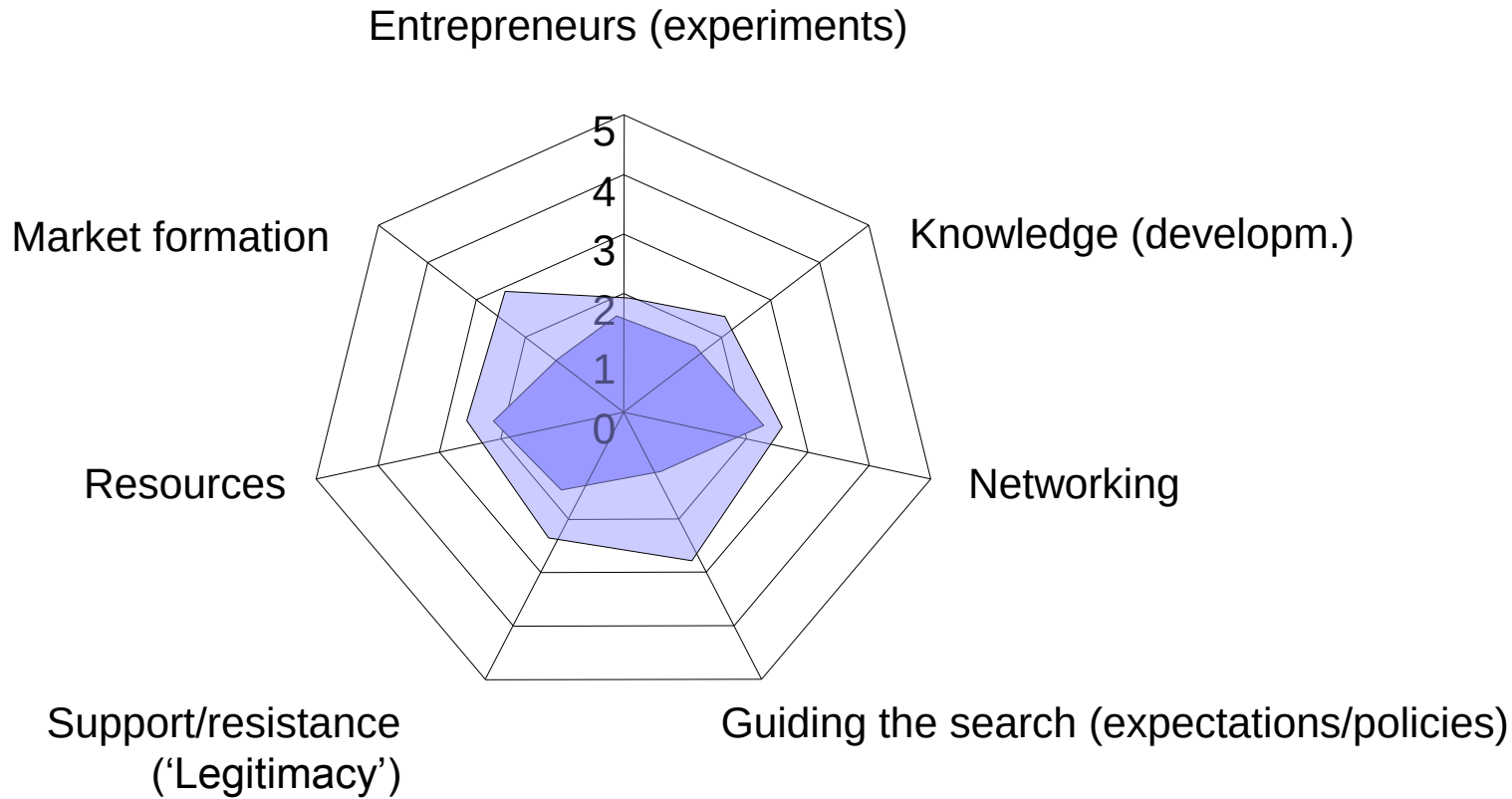


*Example for function 'market formation': How do early markets develop?
Trends in top 10 investments in innovative systems (fiscal govt. Scheme)*

Position	Technologies	Reported investments (in million €)	% of total	# applications
1 (1)	Generic processes	211	18%	591
2 (5)	Energy performance existing housing (rental)*	189	16%	256
3 (2)	Heat pumps (buildings)	115	10%	1.639
4 (6)	Wind turbines	78	7%	147
5 (8)	Energy efficient cooling/freezing installations	71	6%	515
6 (42)	Transport for delivery gaseous CO2 to horticulture	53	5%	9
7 (12)	Solar PV systems	32	3%	760
8 (19)	Geothermal energy	27	2%	77
9 (17)	Recovery hot/cold air from ventilation	24	2%	486
10 (9)	Heat storage in aquifers	24	2%	68
Between brackets the position of 2009 is indicated.				
*Temporary extension of the EIA				



*Overview supports joint assessment with stakeholders
What achieved? Which weaker spots? How to proceed?.*





C. Experiences and conclusions



Experiences and conclusions

The pragmatic systems approach shows the dynamics!

- Visualizes progress in terms of growth (to maturity)
- Far earlier than market statistics
- Attracts attention from policy makers/management
 - *Visualisation of trends help in communication*
 - *M&E here provides insight for decision making*
- Helps joint assessment with stakeholders
- Better shows roles and interrelations of measures and processes
 - *facilitates evaluation of interactions in packages of instruments*



How to proceed?

Can the method be expanded?

- Experiences NL > being expanding to adjacent (policy) areas
- Relatively easy to accommodate shifts in policy instruments
- Uses on third level (common problems and practices) being tried out
- Work on 'additionality' planned/on-going

It provides 'indications'; assessment still requires expertise!



Questions?



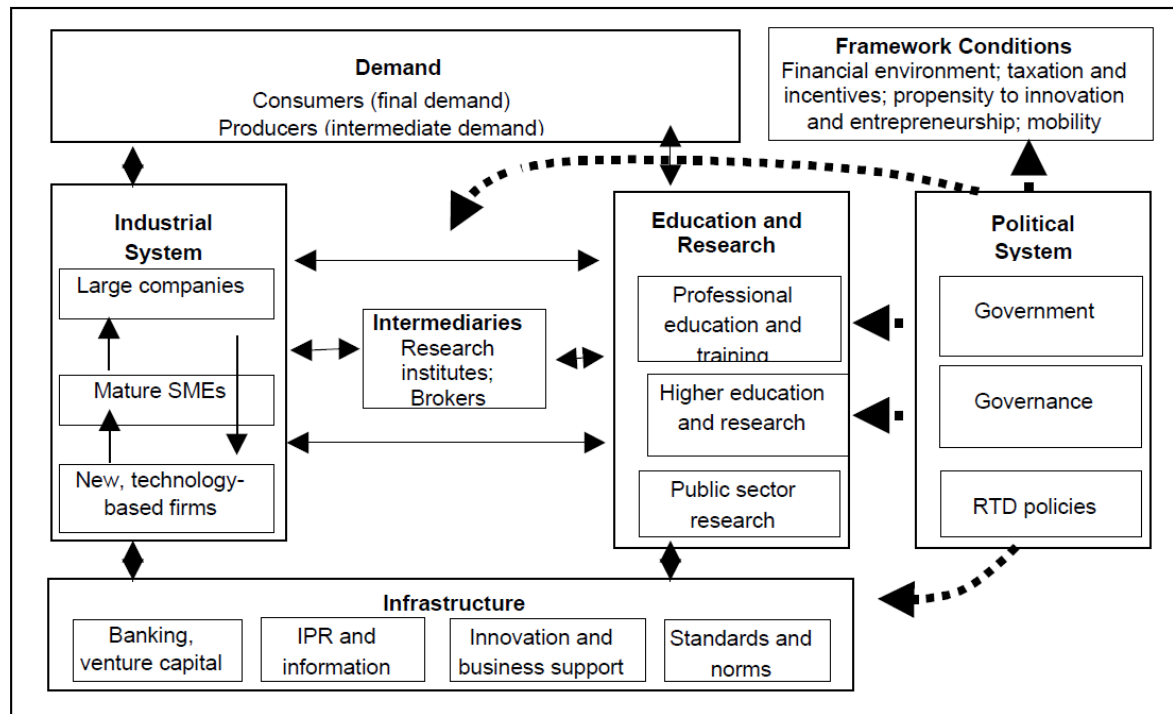
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Annexes



Innovation system: structure



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Example for function 'market formation'

Target markets for the R&D (green) and closer-to-market'(blue) projects

Target markets of projects per type of projects (N=1239)

