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ROLE OF UNIVERSITIES IN SMART SPECIALISATION STRATEGIES

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What is a Smart Specialisation?

Research and Innovation Smart Specialisation Strategy (RIS3)

- Europe 2020 priority: employment and growth
- What research to support, to get best positive societal impact?
- RIS3 is a precondition for use EU Structural funds for research investment
- Slovakia uses EU structural funds for research infrastructure in 2007-2013 period (disparity)

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Slovakia: young state – rich history

- 1526 Habsburg Monarchy
- 1867 Austro-Hungarian Empire
- 1918 Czechoslovakia
- 1989 fall of the Iron Wall
- 1990 fall of industry, incl. Defence -> conversion
- 1993 Slovak republice



Slovakia – former "Upper Hungary"

Rich history in industry and education

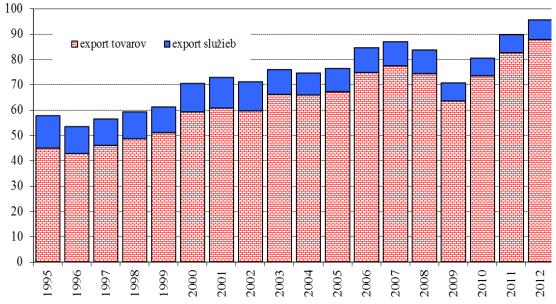


- 3rd century BC the first mining settlement by <u>Celts</u>
- 1238 Schemnitz (Selmec, Selmecbánya or today Banská štiavnica) the first royal town in the Kingdom of Hungary (UNESCO World Heritage)
- 1735 the first mining school in kingdom (<u>Samuel Mikovíny</u>)
- 1762 Mining Academia Schemnitz



Slovakia today

Growing export of goods and services



• Strong but narrow industry

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- Relative large unemployment (cca 13%)
- Large disparities in research infrastructure (missing industrial research)



VW Slovakia – Bratislava (500 000 cars/year)



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Other places: Trnava, Žilina

PSA produces in Trnava (200 000 cars/year)



KIA produce in Žilina (300 000 cars/year)





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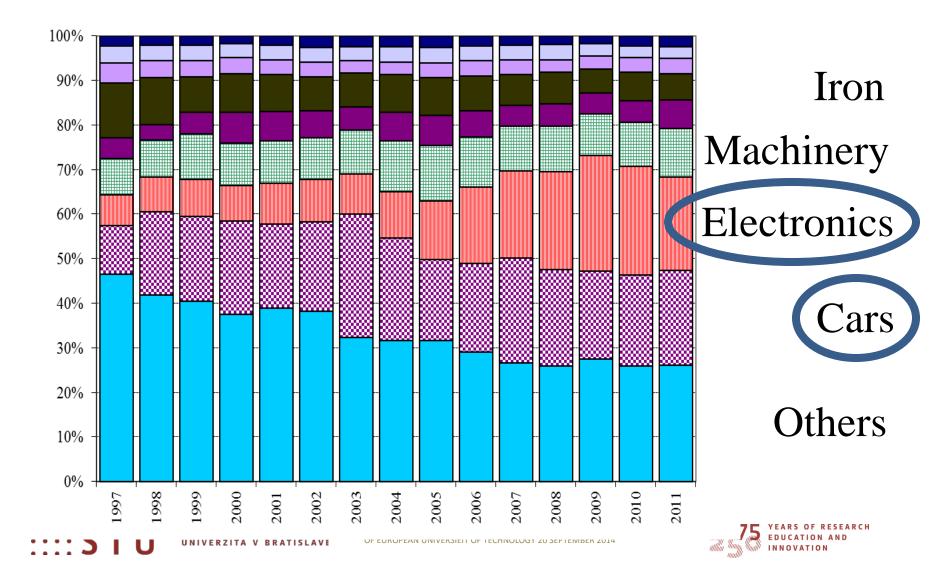
Six key parts of RIS3

- Analysis in wider context, <u>based on evidence</u>
- Governance (participation in the process)
- Strategic goal a common vision
- Identification of priorities
- Sustainable policies
- Monitoring and evaluation

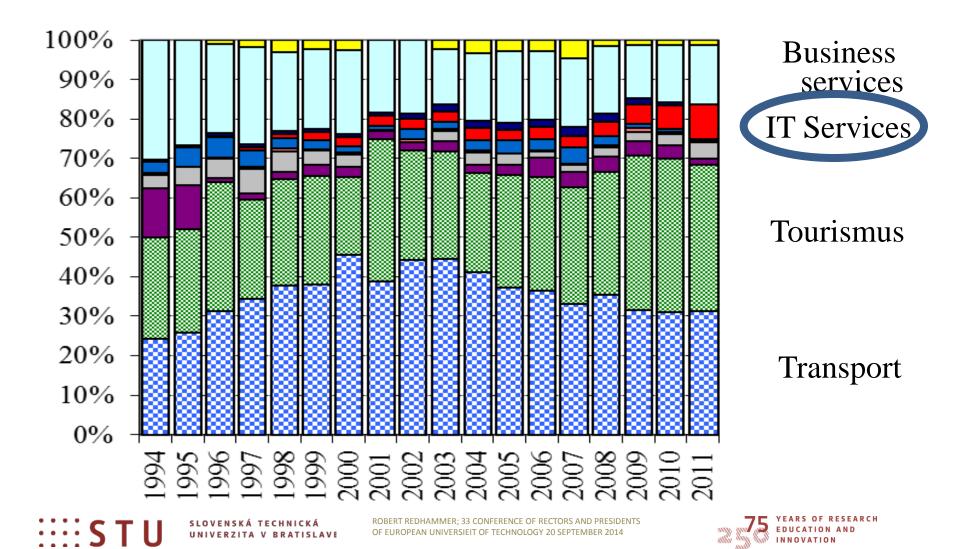
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Slovak export of goods by classes



Slovak Export of Services



IT Services & Creative Industry

- 15 years growing export
- IT + business services make 1/3 of export services
- 50 000 employers
- largest income for state budget
- naturally grown, (HP, IBM, Atos, CISCO...)
- Slovak owned e.g. ESET a global antivirus company with highes number of installations in the world*



RIS3 PRIORITIES

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1. Deepen embeddedness of FDI

by enhancement of R&D and innovation ability of local suppliers

- Improve R&D innovative level of local suppliers
- Clusters which support the development of networks feeding into higher tier MNCs.
- Connect to the mother country to create R&D
 Laboratories and/ or technology centres to Slovakia



2. Increase contribution of R&D to economic growth

via global excellence and local relevance

- Improve international excellence and collaboration
- University-industry R&D links through competence centres, centres of excellence, university science parks...
- Industrial led strategic research programmes involving universities, AS, and industrial partners

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3. Creating a dynamic, open and inclusive innovative society

- Stimulating of the **creative industries**
- Support for innovation and entrepreneurship activities, including social, open, environmental innovation.
- Support for R&D&I to address the social challenges of relevance to Slovakia, including Demographic Ageing.

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4. Improving the quality of the human resources for an innovative Slovakia

- Improving the quality of secondary and tertiary of education to upgrade the quality of graduates
- Better involvement of businesses in 'education' from secondary schools to post-doc schemes
- Greater **mobility** of highly skilled personnel between sectors (placements, exchanges, mentoring)



Tools:

selectivelly targeted financing pushing for cooperation public research organisation and industry companies

- Tax incentives
- Non financial measures



Current status of RIS3 SK

- Approved by government and EC
- Governance, monitoring and part of measures have to be finalised
- Action plan pending (november 2014)
- Operational programme under negotiation with EC



AutomationCivil EngineeringGeodesyElectrical EngineeringMechanical EngineeringChemistryFood TechnologyArchitectureMaterial and TechnologyInformation and
Communication TechnologyDesign
Management

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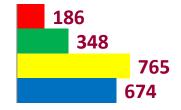
VALUES

- Unity of education and scientific research, engineering and arts (Von Humboldt principles)
- Theoretical-practical learning methods (Mining academy in Banská Štiavnica, 1762)
- Direct cooperation with industry & strong international links
- ECTS and three degree study system (Bologna declaration)

150.000 graduates
17.000 students
4.100 continuing edu.
1.400 staff members
600 research project
200 contracts
100 international proj.
7 schools (faculty)

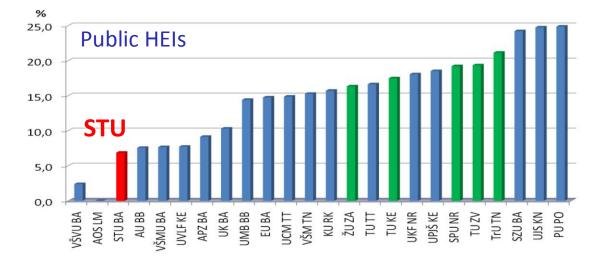
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HIGH EMPLOYABILITY OF GRADUATES STU

The lowest unemployment of STU graduates among other HEIs in Slovakia

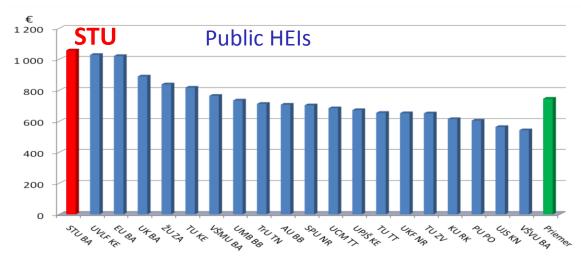




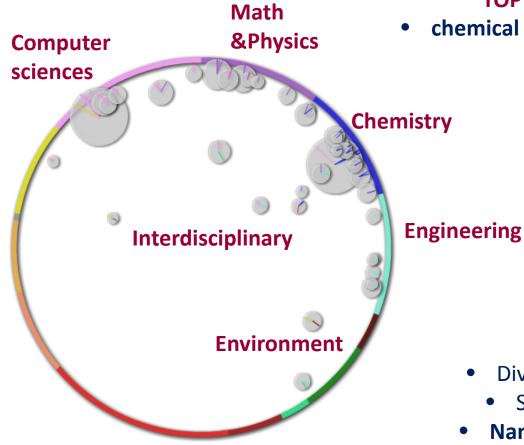
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SCIVAL SPOTLIGHT PROFILE OF STU



TOP 10 STU COMPETENCIES OUT OF 42

• chemical compounds; hydrogen bonds; rings

- t-norm; Copula; Effect algebra
 - Magnetic properties; Amorphous materials; Alloys
 - frequency analysis; flood; flood frequency
 - Semantics; Ontology; Recommender systems
 - Speech; Speech synthesis;
 Speech analysis
 - Controllers;

Linear matrix inequalities; Control

- Divorce; Stereoisomerism; Teicoplanin
 - Semantics; Semantic Web; Ontology
- Nanocomposites; Polypropylenes; Clay

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Start-up office and InQb program

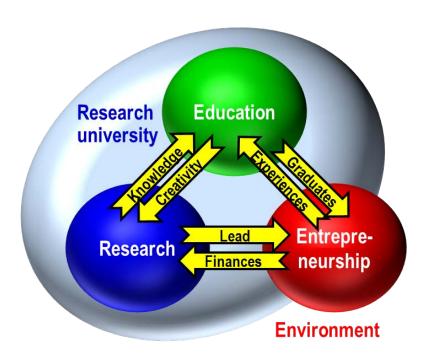
- Entrepreneurship awareness program
- Business development consultancy
- Office space and services





THE SCIENCE CITY BRATISLAVA PROJECT

THE COLLOCATION OF RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP



THE FIRST INVESTMENTS

- European Structural Funds (cca 100 mil. € in total)
- Computer Sciences (other 30 mil. €)
- High resolution TEM (res. 60 pm) to be deliver in February 2015





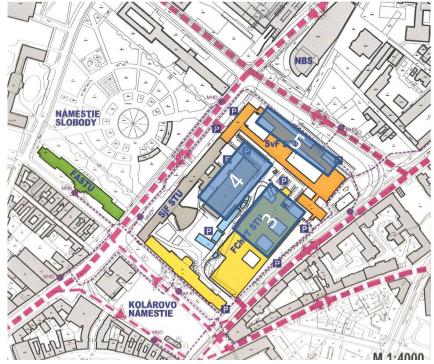
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SCIENCE CITY STU BRATISLAVA - CENTRUM

- Adaptation of existing buildings; 40 000 m² laboratory and office space
- New research equipment
- Est. total investment volume cca. 100 mil. € 2007 – 2017





Research areas:

intelligent materials and technologies, environment technology, energy, intelligent and safe buildings

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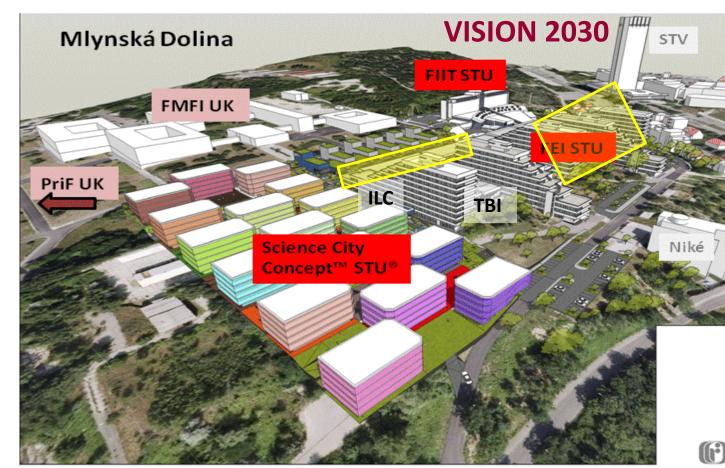
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> FEI STU: Fakulta elektrotechniky a informatiky STU

FIIT STU: Fakulta informatiky a informačných technológií STU

ILC: Medzinárodné laserové centrum

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TBI: Technology business incubator II. phase STU

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Science City STU – 2. phase

YEARS OF RESEARCH EDUCATION AND INNOVATION

UNIVERSITY SCIENCE PARK STU TRNAVA

- New building with infrastructure "Slovakion", plasma and ion technology
- New building for automation, manufacturing processes and systems
- Est. investment volume cca 42 mil. €

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