

## The Universities' Roles in Innovation Ecosystems

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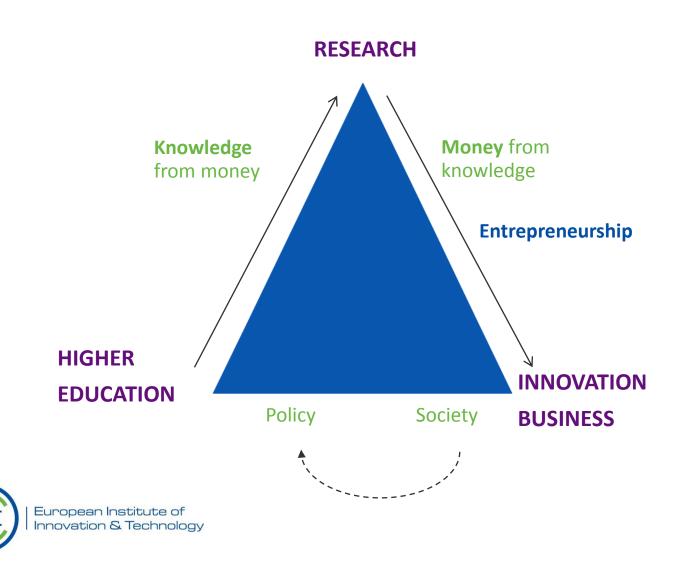
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### **EIT concept: Knowledge Triangle**



### **European Institute of Innovation and Technology**

#### **Vision**

Leading European initiative empowering innovators and entrepreneurs to develop world-class solutions to societal challenges and create growth

From student to entrepreneur

From idea to product

From lab to customer





**Thematic Knowledge and Innovation Centers** (6+2)

Headquarters

- EIT Climate-KIC
- EIT Digital
- EIT Food
- EIT Health
- EIT InnoEnergy
- EIT Raw Materials





Each Innovation Hub: Network of nodes located in several countries

Collaborating with 1000+ research and business organizations

- EIT Climate-KIC
- **EIT Digital**
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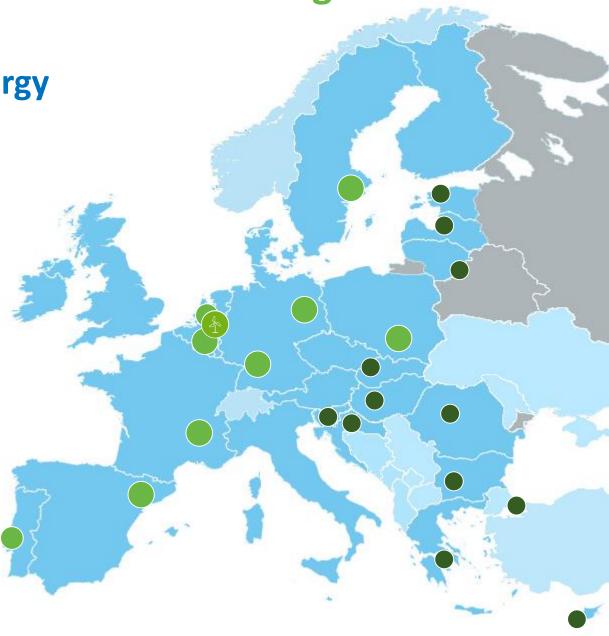
Each KIC: HQ + Innovation Hubs + Regional

**Cooperation units** 

**Example: EIT InnoEnergy** 

- **Headquarters**
- Innovation Hubs
- EIT RIS Cooperation units





### **Education agenda**

# Programmes delivered in all thematic sectors together with HEIs

student to entrepreneur

idea to product

lab to customer





### Programmes: with 200+ HEIs Masters and Doctoral degrees: with 63 universities

- Masters and Doctoral programmes
  - International cooperation and industry involvement
  - Mobility and internships
  - Training on specific skills and competences innovation/entrepreneurship
- Executive training & post-doctoral courses
- On-line education and summer schools
- Continuous professional training



#### **Examples of EIT-labelled education**

**EIT Climate:** Five weeks course in 3 EIT Climate-KIC innovation hubs Connects science, policy and real-life business with entrepreneurs

- 1-2 weeks, country 1: Climate science, climate change, impact
- 3-4 weeks, country 2: Focus on business, business plan development, entrepreneurship
- 5th week, country 3: Pitching of business plans to expert jury, best plans realized in Climate-KIC's Student Green House/innovation projects

**EIT Digital:** Two years Masters programme in Autonomous Systems Latest theoretical knowledge and know-how on its application

- Computer science and electrical engineering
- IoT, machine learning, AI, robotics, robot vision, automation
  - Student's mobility between several EIT partner universities
  - Generic entrepreneurial skills
  - Face-to-face and e-learning combined
  - Internship in industry





### Generic skills from all EIT-labeled programmes

- Value judgments and sustainability
- Entrepreneurship and leadership
- Creativity and innovation capacity
- Real-life experience



#### Achievements so far ...





1700 +

**Graduates from M & PhD programmes** 



2 000 +

Degree students currently enrolled \*



6100 +

High-skilled, full-time jobs created



890 million +

Raised in external investments



1250 +

Start-ups and scale-ups supported



640

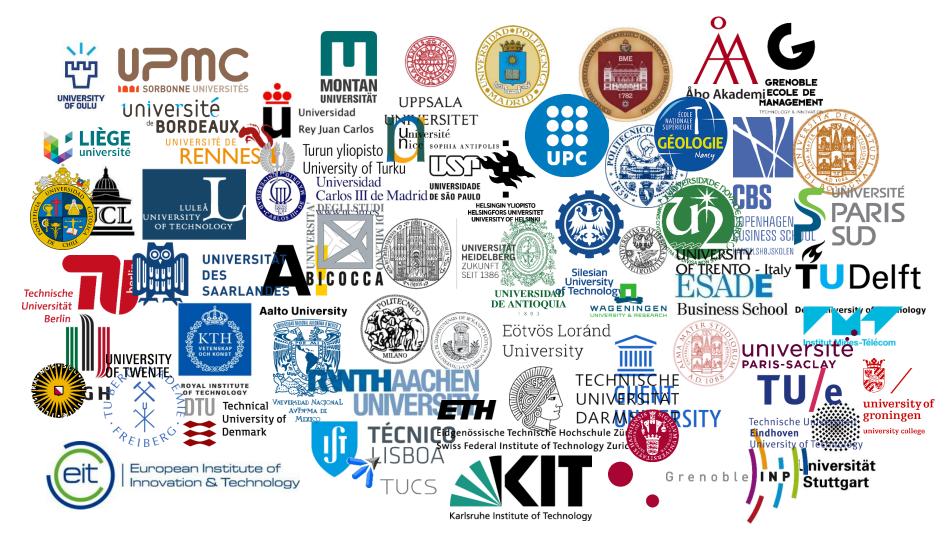
New products, services and processes launched

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Figures – July 2018

<sup>\*</sup> Estimate as of September 2018

## Partner universities issuing EIT-labelled degrees





### Thank you!



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