



# Simbiosis Industrial: Su relación con la economía circular y sus beneficios económicos, sociales y medios ambientales



## Part 1 – Introduction to Industrial Symbiosis and status quo

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# Policy background



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## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



# The Business of Circular Economy

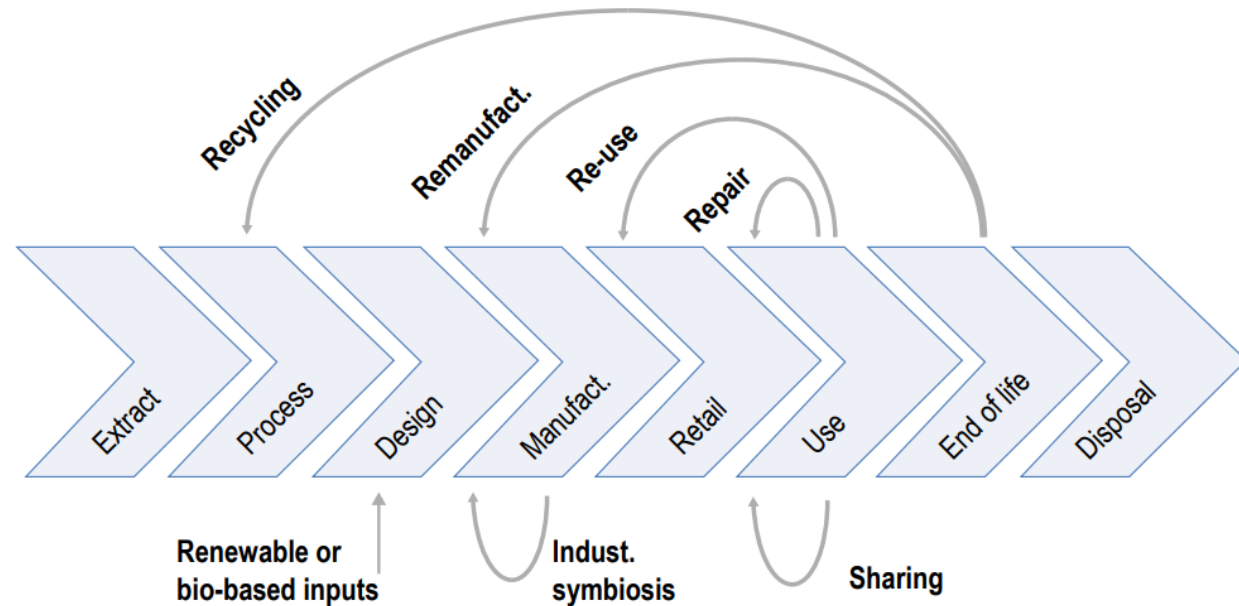


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- **Commercial Opportunity:** \$4.5 Trillion by 2030 (Accenture, 2015)
- **Business Threat:** 40% of S&P500 may go out of business by 2030 (SAP, 2016)
- **Competitive Advantage:** Early adopters will outperform competition (SAP, 2016)

## Circular Economy Core Strategies (OECD, 2019):

1. Close supply chains (recycle, reuse, remanufacture, repair)
2. Sell your waste (Industrial Symbiosis)
3. Share your resources (e.g. utilities, facilities, etc.)
4. Increase resource and energy efficiency through renewable sources
5. Extend product/asset useful life (inspection & maintenance)



# Industrial Symbiosis: The Basics

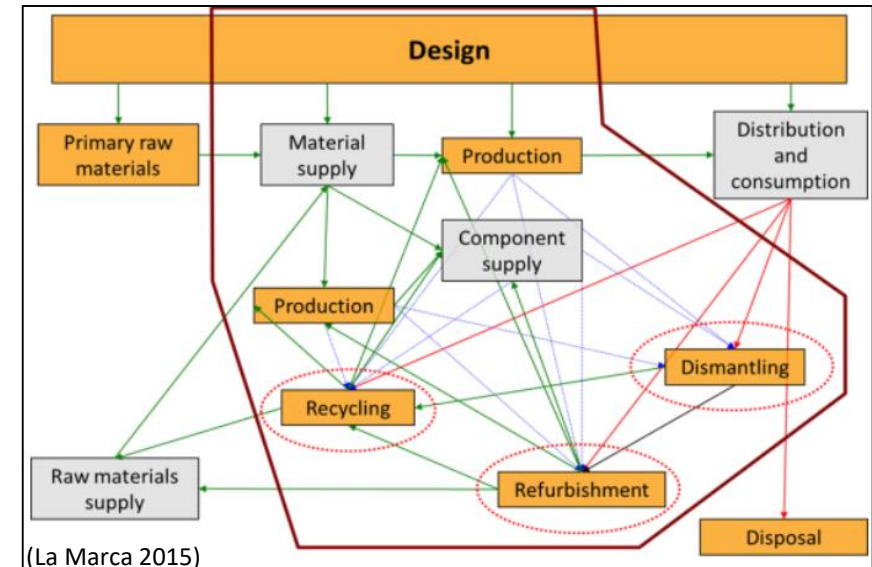
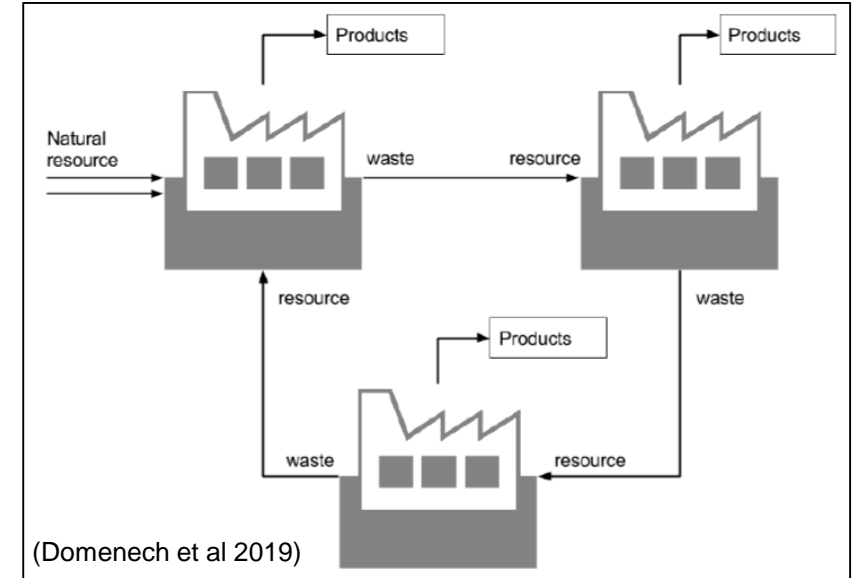


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**TENTATIVE DEFINITION:** A ***B2B commercial strategy*** according to which industries seek to engage in business with each other using their **non-products and other excess resources**.

## **KEY TERMS AND CONCEPTS:**

1. **Synergy:** The sharing of a single byproduct/waste/resource between industries
2. **Symbiotic Network (ISN):** A group of industries engaging systematically in synergies
3. **Eco-industrial park:** A special case of ISN where all sites are co-located in the same industrial área
4. **Facilitator:** A 3rd party that intermediates between companies and stakeholders to help identify and materialize IS opportunities.
5. **Key Enabling Technologies:** Key technologies that enable IS to happen by addressing technical aspects (i.e. resource conversion, storage and transport) or business aspects (i.e. opportunity identification, evaluation and matchmaking)



# Types of Industrial Symbiosis



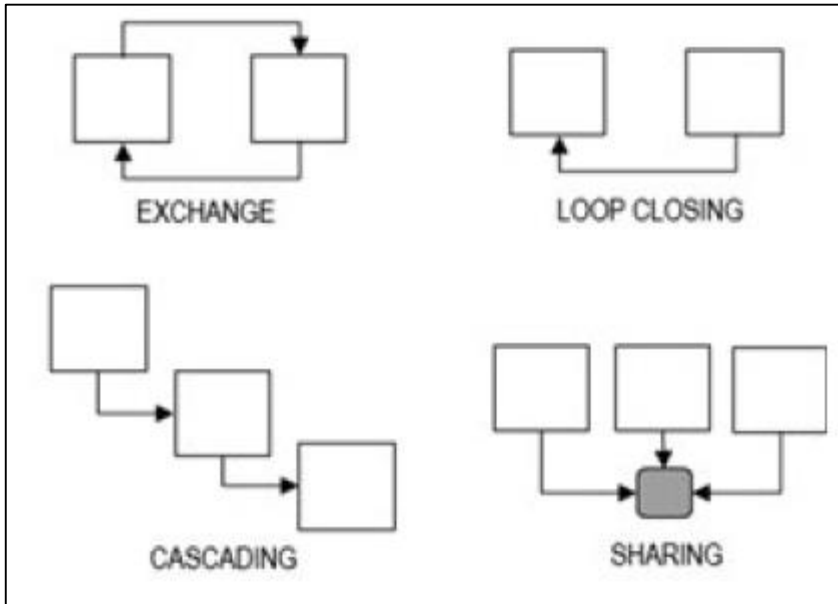
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## TYPES OF SYMBIOSIS

**Waste/byproduct synergies** - the commercial exchange of waste materials between two or more parties for use as raw materials.

**Utility/infrastructure sharing** - the pooled use and management of resources such as energy, water, and wastewater.

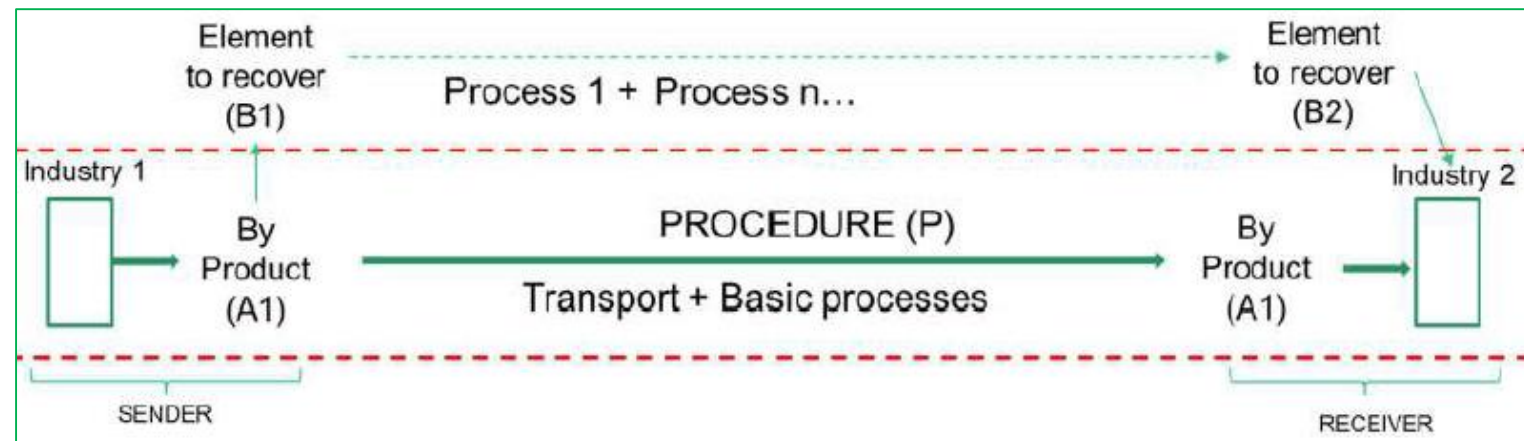
**Joint provision of services** - the pooled use and management of resources for ancillary activities (e.g. transportation, catering, etc.).



## TYPES OF WASTE SYNERGIES:

**Direct synergies** where waste streams of one industry are directly used by another, with little processing (mainly packaging and logistics).

**Indirect synergies** where waste streams require significant treatment (e.g. extraction, separation, purification) before they can be used.





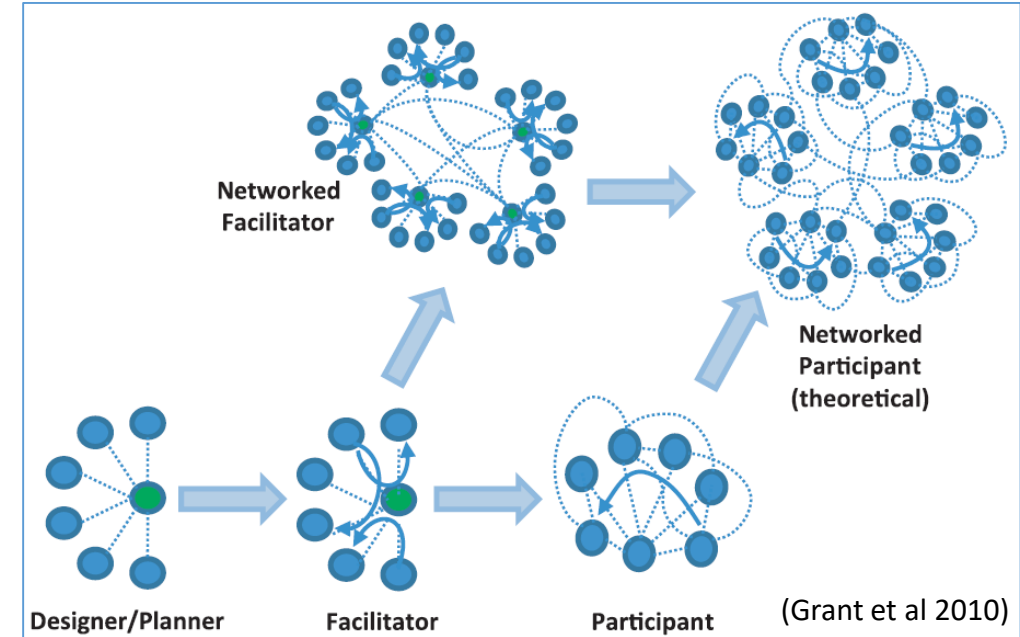
# Types of Symbiotic Networks



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## TYPES OF SYMBIOTIC NETWORKS:

1. **Self-organized networks** are formed without conscious strategic planning and without awareness of the overall network structure
2. **Planned networks** is a top-down approach where a governmental body dictates the type of synergies, industries and the network structure.
3. **Facilitated networks:** The uncovering and/or nurturing of symbiotic practices between companies from third parties



## SYMBIOSIS PROJECT LIFECYCLE STAGES



# Geographic scope of Symbiosis



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Different types of resources suggest different geographical scopes depending on:

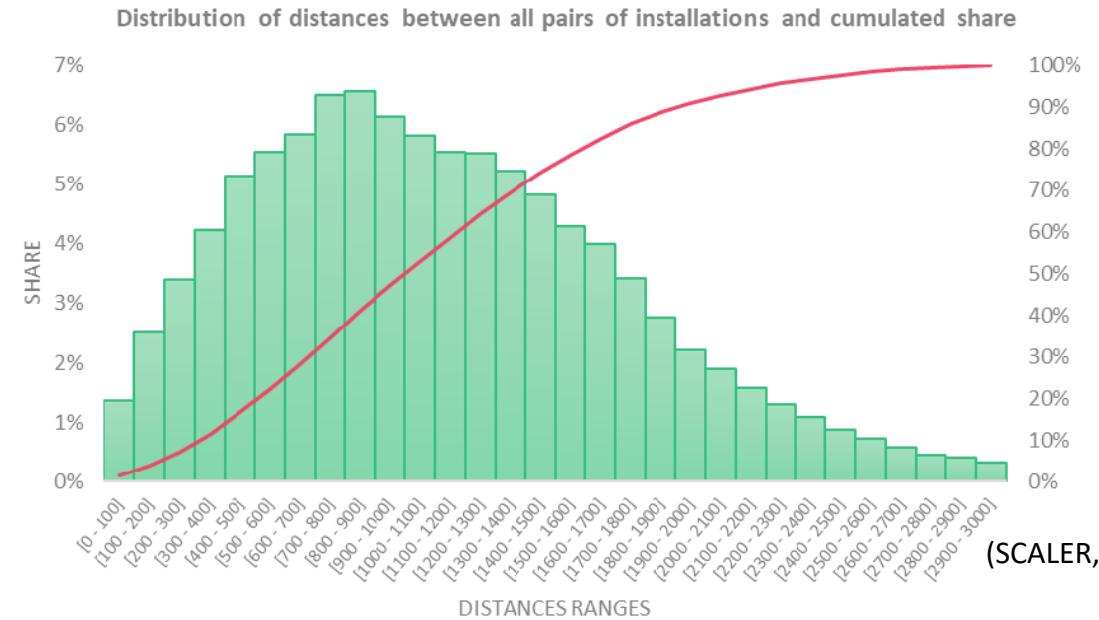
- The type of waste stream and its physical and chemical characteristics;
- The value of the waste stream and
- The geographical distribution of resource recovery facilities.

**Approx. 75% of synergies take place in a 120km radius but they can reach up to 3000km**

**Local scope:** Steam and waste heat exchanges (due to heat losses)

**Regional scope:** Bulky low value waste, such as construction and demolition (C&D) waste and common metals such as steel and aluminium

**International scope:** low volume high value resources, such as cobalt and other valuable and scarce metals and minerals

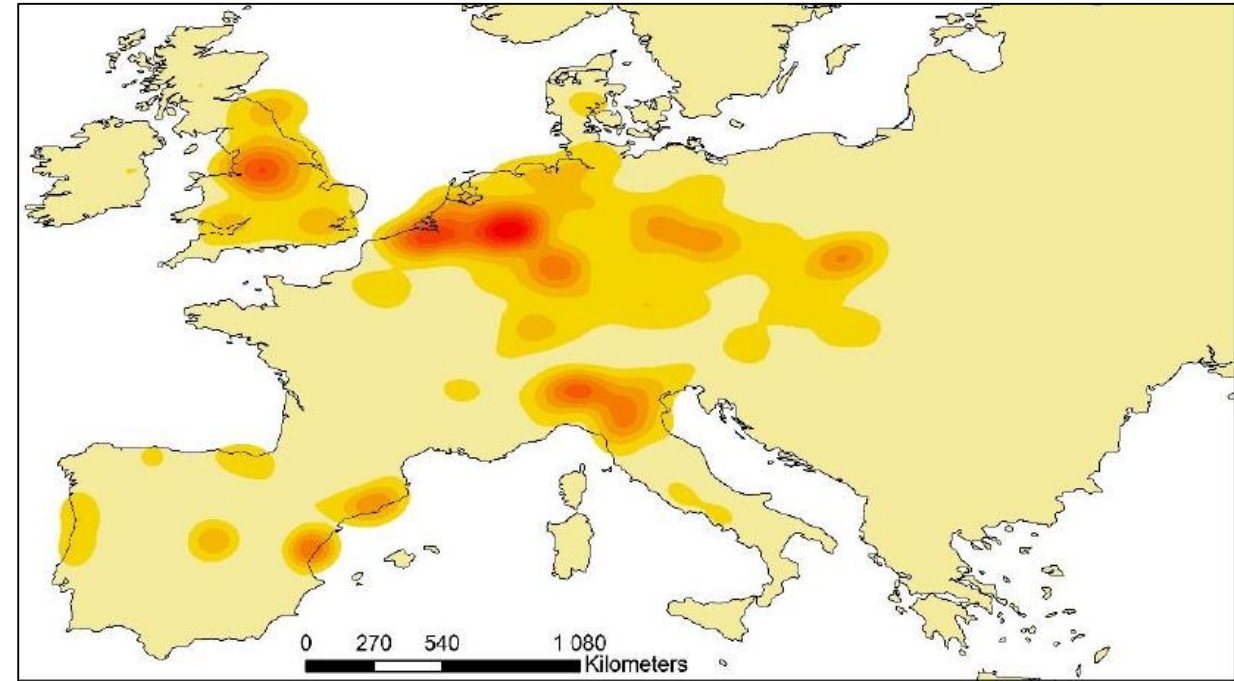
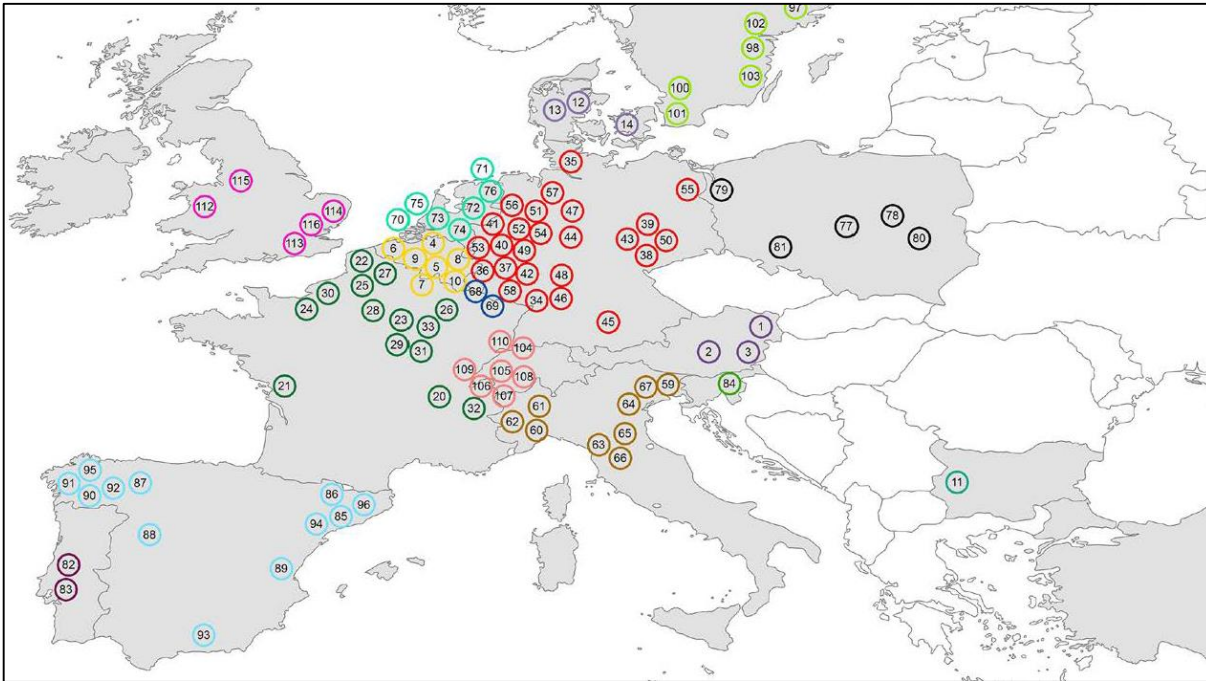




# Industrial Density & Eco-Industrial Parks



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(Eco-Innova, 2014)

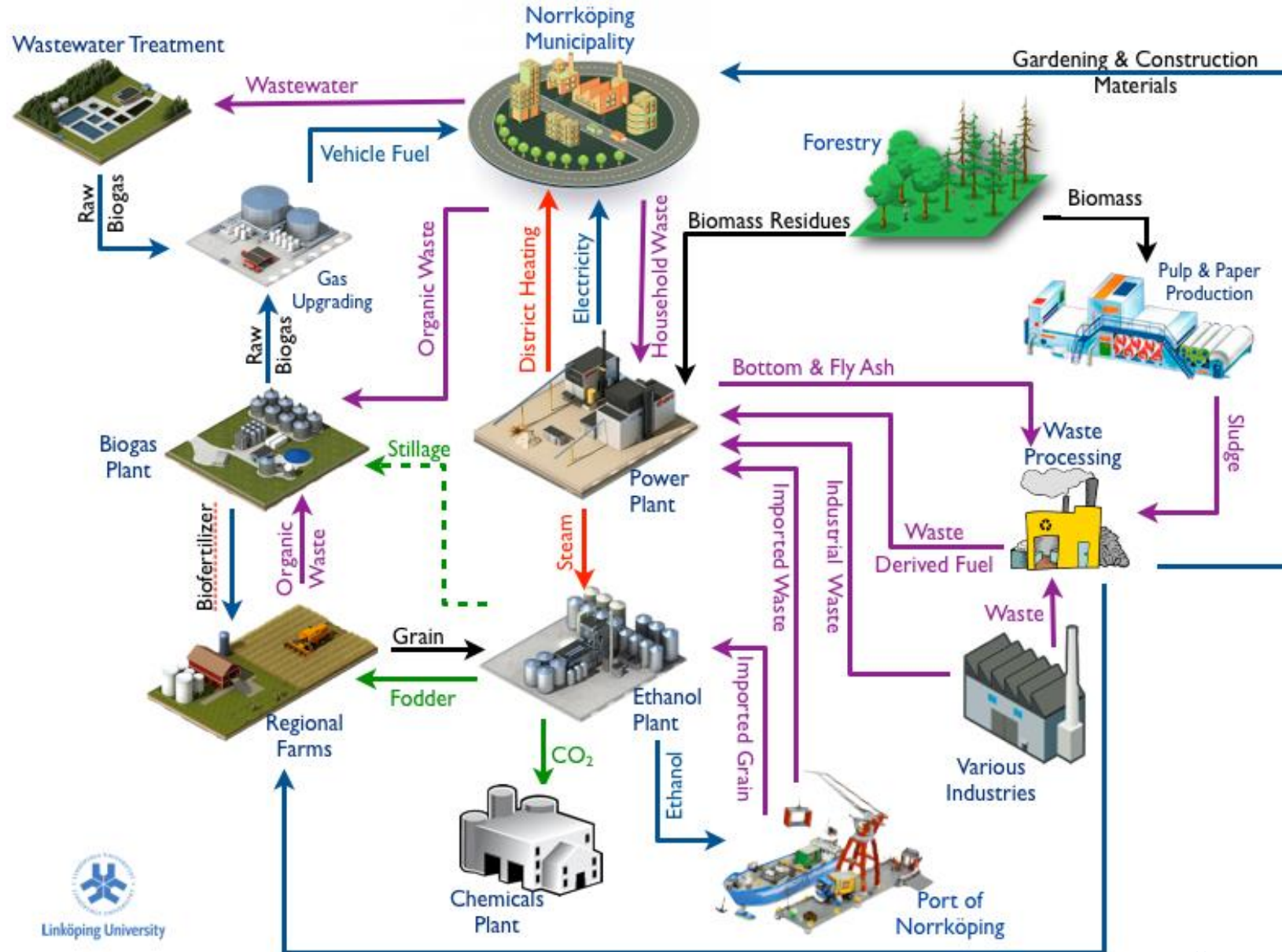
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|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Waste management     | 109 | 51% |
| Energy efficiency    | 106 | 50% |
| Industrial symbiosis | 95  | 45% |
| Resource efficiency  | 75  | 35% |
| Renewable energy     | 74  | 35% |
| Water management     | 70  | 33% |

(World Bank Group, 2016)

# Example: Linköping Industrial Symbiosis



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# Historical development



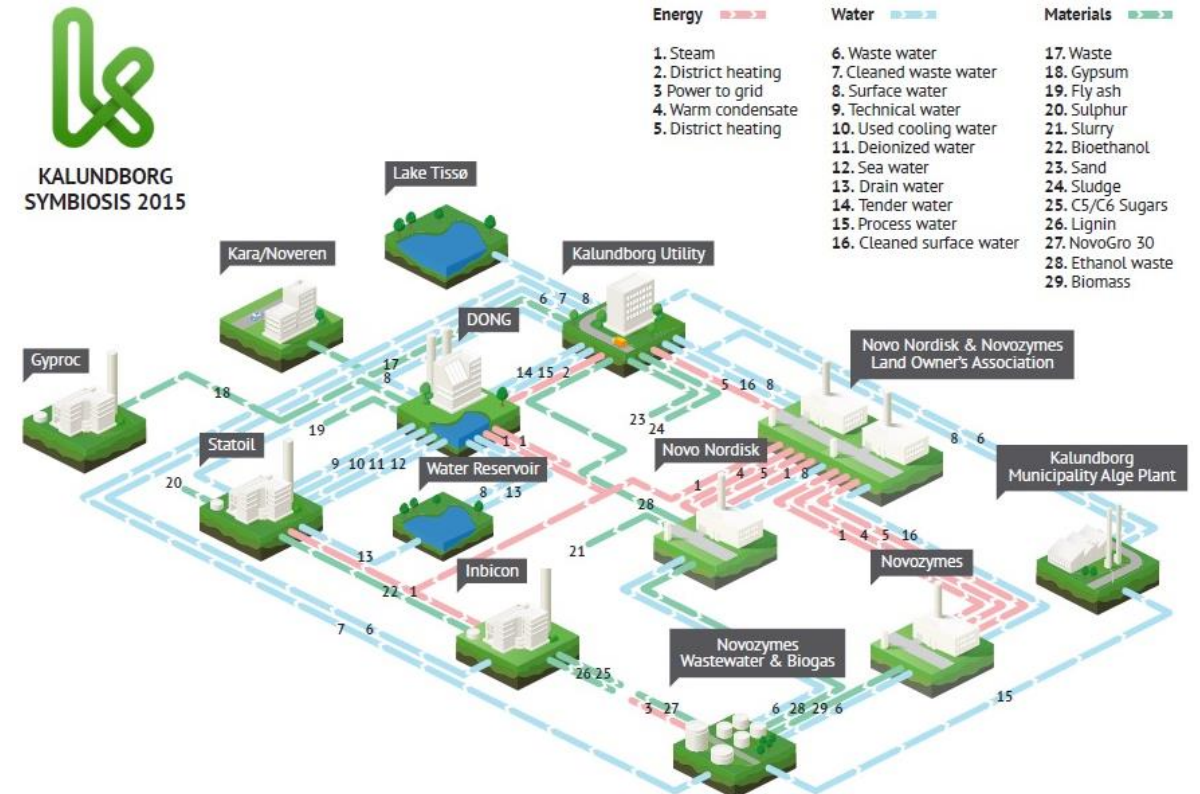
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## A little bit of history: 1989 – A key year for Industrial Symbiosis

- **Frosch & Gallopoulos of General Motors** publish an article where they define the **Industrial Ecosystem**: *“In such a system... the effluents of one process... serve as the raw material for another process...”*
- The label “industrial symbiosis” is applied to **Kalundborg** by Inge Christensen, a pharmacist, and her husband, Valdemar Christensen, the Kalundborg power plant manager, to describe what was happening in the industrial ecosystem

## Case study: Denmark - Kalundborg (2015)

- 29 exchanges of water, energy and other by-products between 10 sites
- 3 million cubic metres of water saved
- 150,000 tons of yeast replaces 70% of soy protein in feed mix for more than 800,000 pigs
- \$15 million collective annual savings across firms in the park.
- 250,000 tons per year in CO2 savings
- 30% savings in overall water consumption





# Historical development



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## What happened in the 90s?

- Industrial Ecology was established as a research field (1992)
- The Journal of Industrial Ecology was launched (1997)
- *Several “planned Industrial Symbiosis” attempts were made in the USA and Europe with equivocal results*
- *The concept is limited to academia with little to no impact in policies and business/industrial practices*

## 2000 – 2010: UK National Industrial Symbiosis Programme:

1. UK Government funds NISP with €100 Million to deliver nationwide facilitated symbiosis over 10 year period
2. **The programme exceeds expectations (2005 to 2013):**
  1. 12,500 members (90% SMEs)
  2. 47 million tonnes of landfill diversion
  3. 42 million tonnes of CO2 reduction
  4. 45 million tonnes of materials recovered and reused
  5. €1.3 Billion in cost-savings
  6. €1.3 Billion in additional sales
  7. 10,000 jobs generated.
3. 2013: Despite its success the programme is ceased due to budget cuts





# Industrial Symbiosis: Today



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## KEY FIGURES:

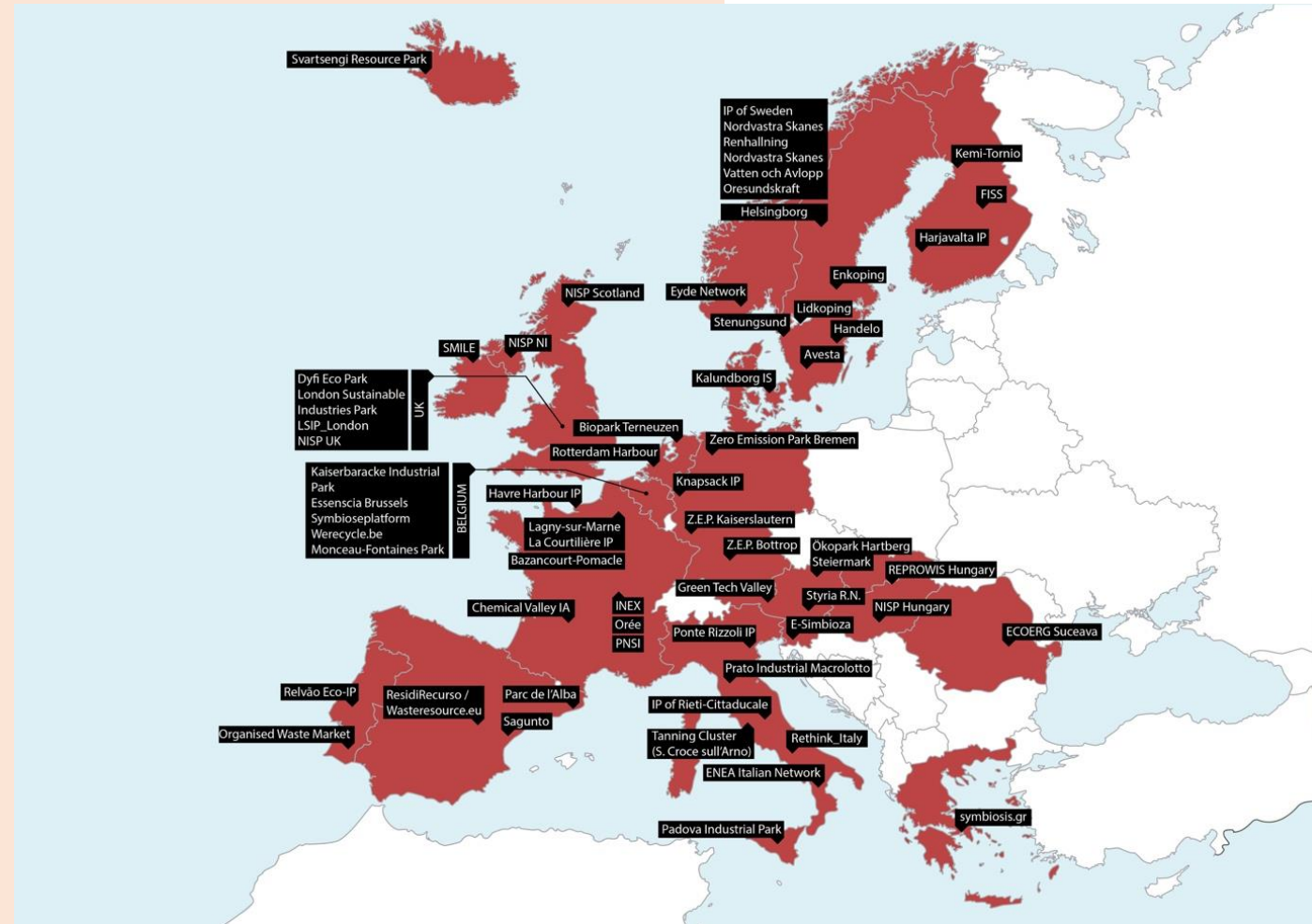
**EU investment in Circular Economy (2012-2020):**  
> €700 Million (excl. national investments)

**EU investment in Symbiosis (2014-2020):**  
> €200 Million (excl. national investments)

**>100 projects and programmes across Europe**

**Nr of Eco-industrial parks in Europe (2016):**  
116 (DE-25, FR-14, ES-12, IT-9)

**Nr of Eco-industrial parks globally (2016):**  
300 in 27 countries (CH-13, USA-11)



(Sommer 2019)

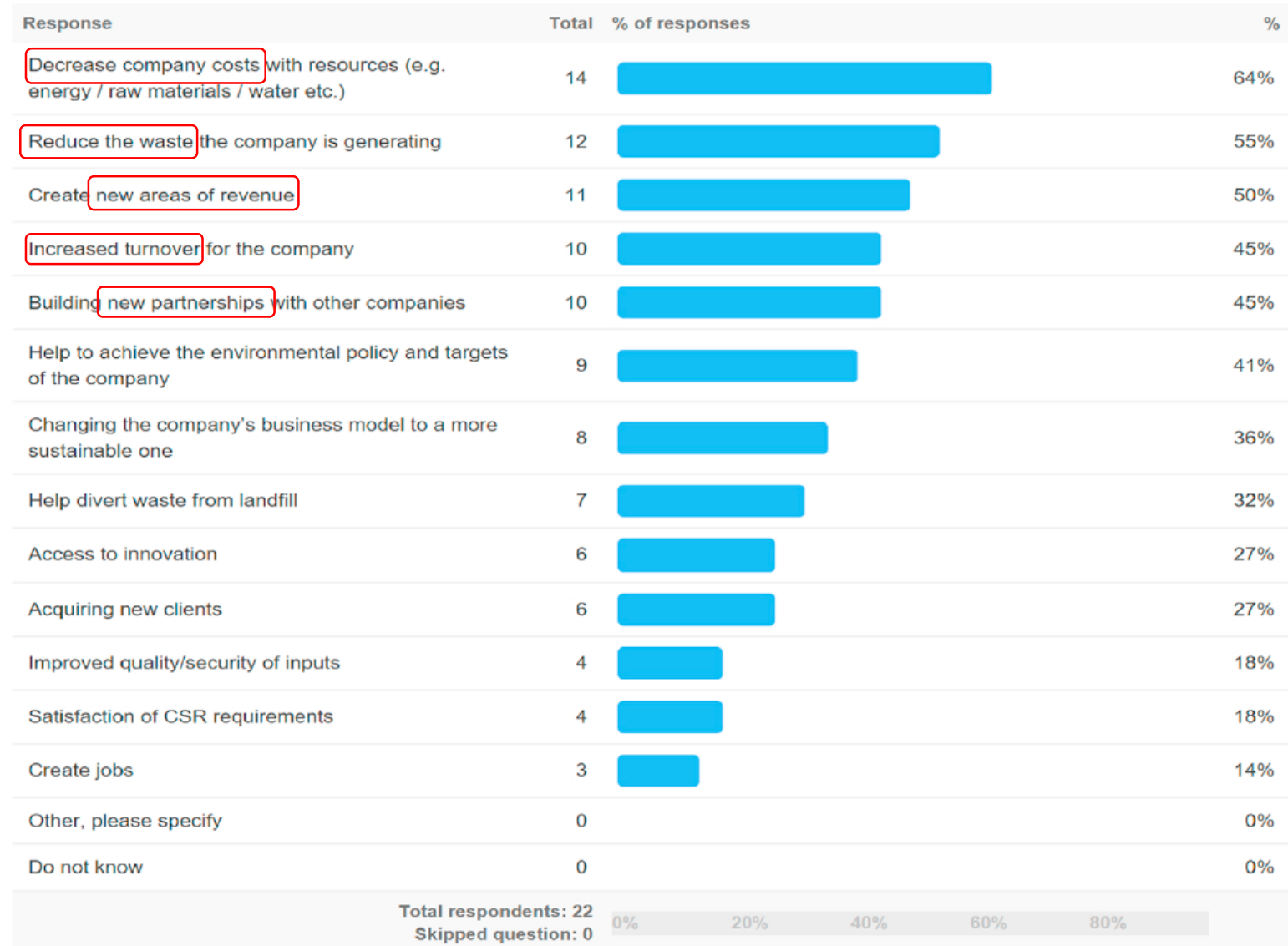
# Benefits and Drivers



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## WHY:

- **To minimize environmental impact** (resource extraction, waste disposal, pollution)
- **To increase value added per unit of resource** (avoiding waste disposal costs, creating new revenues)
- **To improve supply-side resilience** (decreasing raw material costs, diversifying supply chain)
- **To increase local economic activity per unit of resource** (adding new Jobs and generating local investments)



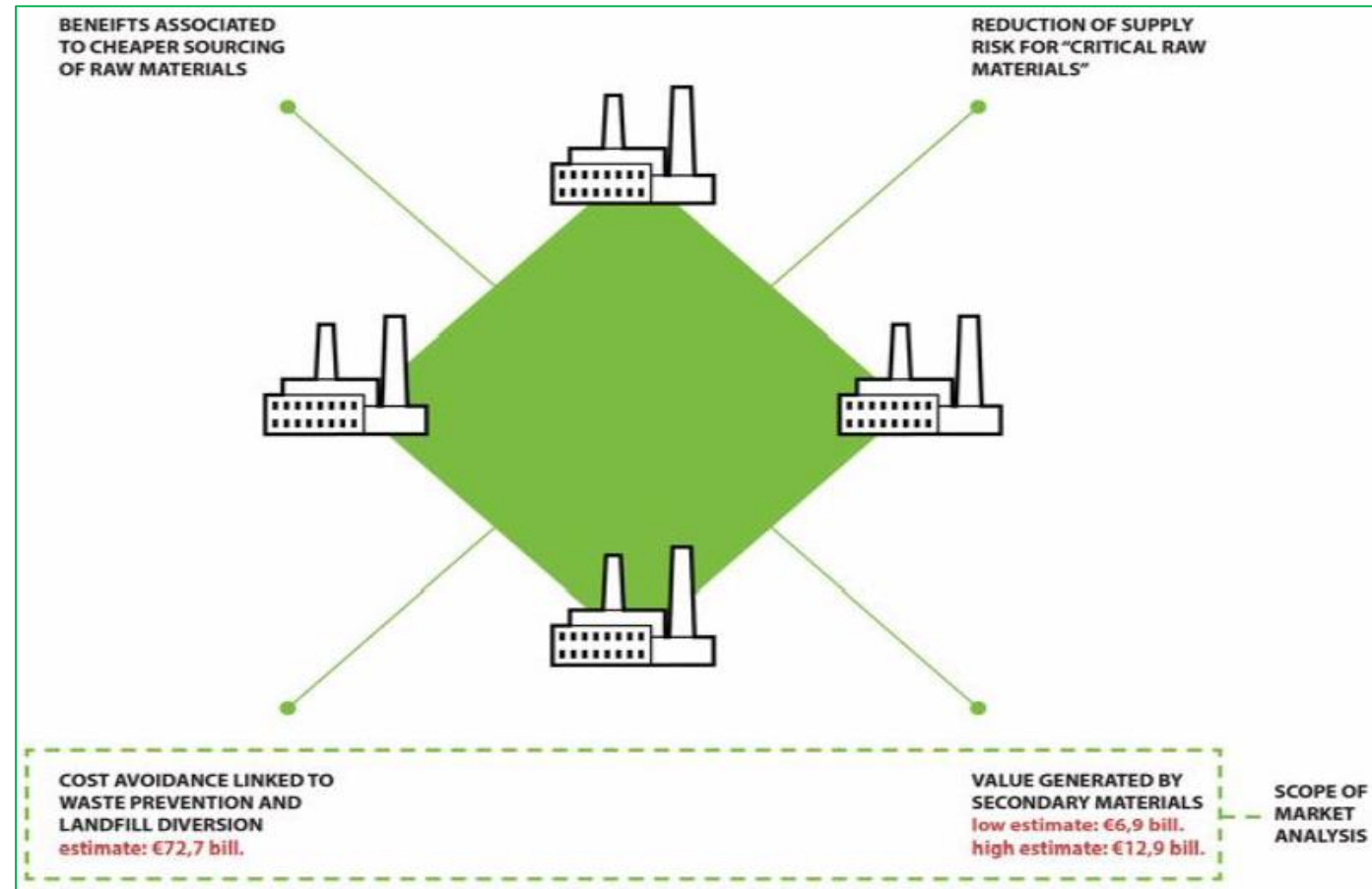
(Domenech et al 2019)

# Potential of IS in Europe



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| Socio-economic indicators                  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| VA   | 33 513 576 237 €     |
| VAT  | 7 192 013 460 €      |
| Labour Share (€/y)                         | 15 416 245 069 €     |
| Direct jobs (number)                       | 349 805              |
| Indirect jobs (min)                        | 174 902              |
| Indirect jobs (max)                        | 1 056 410            |
|  |                      |
| Total investment in EU                     | 69 857 153 732       |
|  |                      |
| External impacts                           |                      |
| Climate change (kg. CO2-eq)                | -188 673 037 706     |
| Human health (DALY)                        | -169 762             |
| Ecosystem quality (PDF.m2.y)               | -42 398 542 668      |
| Use of resources (MJ)                      | -3 139 168 587 042   |
| € Climate change                           | 15 093 843 016 €     |
| € DALY                                     | 12 562 422 781 €     |
| € Ecosystem quality                        | 59 357 959 735 €     |
| € Use of resources                         | 12 556 674 348 €     |
| Sum of external impacts economic value (€) | 99 570 899 881 €     |
|  |                      |
| Carbon tax evolution (€/y)                 | -7 546 141 073 914 € |
|  |                      |
| Waste tax balance                          | -2 239 623 012 318 € |
|  |                      |
| Waste treatment costs balance (€/y)        | -41 144 034 496 €    |



**Potential savings from landfill diversion in Europe: €72.7 Billion**

**Potential for additional sales in Europe: €6.9 – €12.9 Billion**

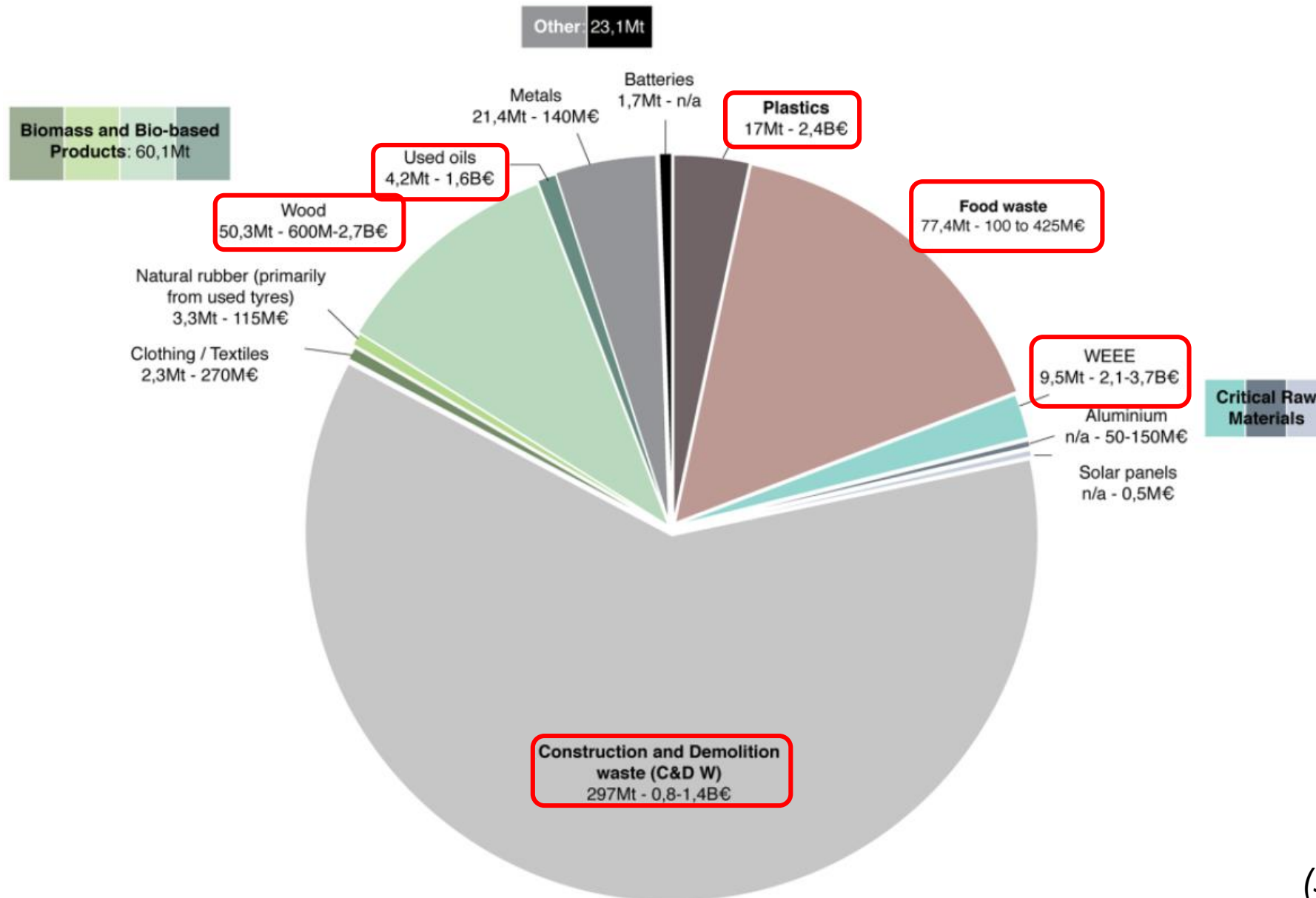
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# Potential of IS: Waste streams



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(SCALER Project, 2019)



# Industrial Symbiosis Barriers



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## Types of barriers for IS

**Technical** – Sometimes synergies are not possible due to technical reasons

**Economic** – IS requires investment in time and resources

**Informational** – Companies lack info on other companies' byproducts or needs

**Organizational** – Lack of trust between companies

**Regulatory** – Limitations in handling material characterised as waste

**Risk & Uncertainty** – IS is still considered unknown and unfamiliar to professionals

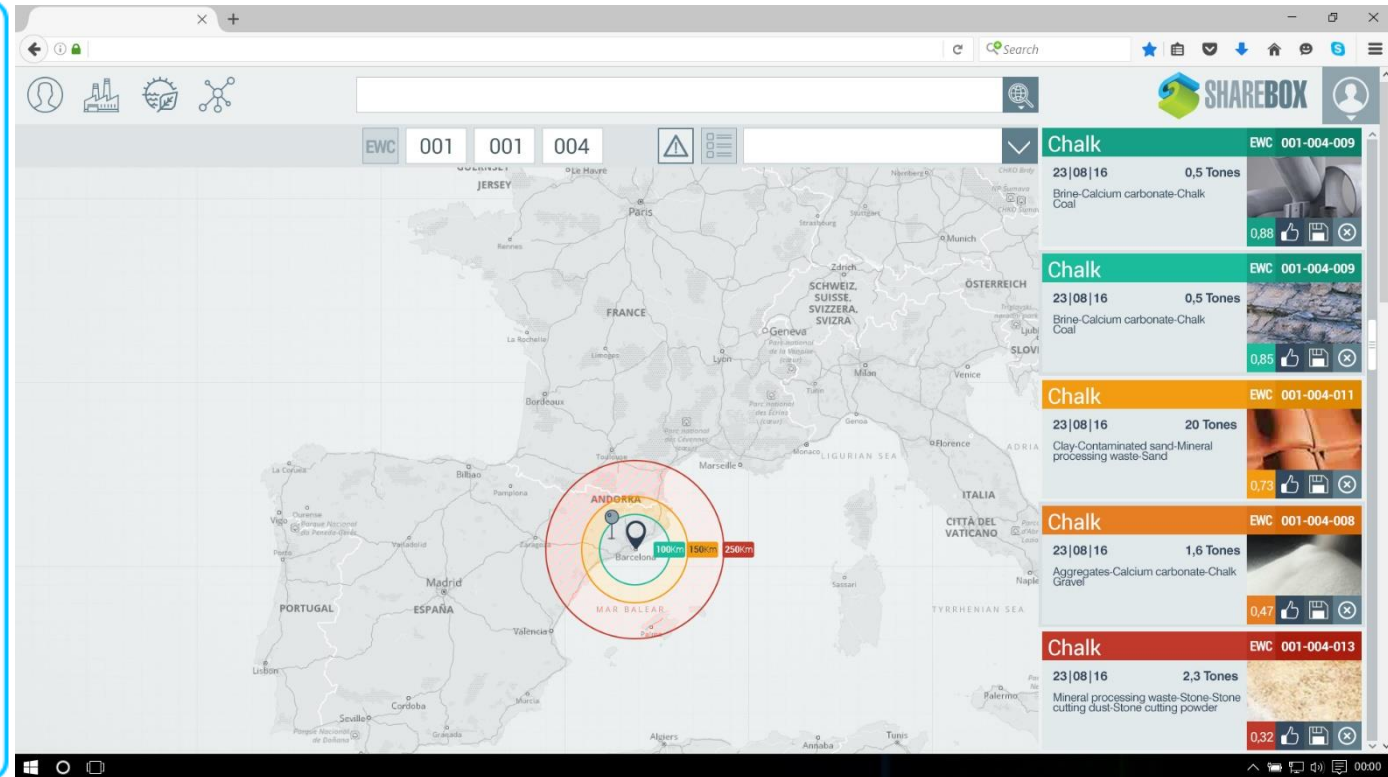
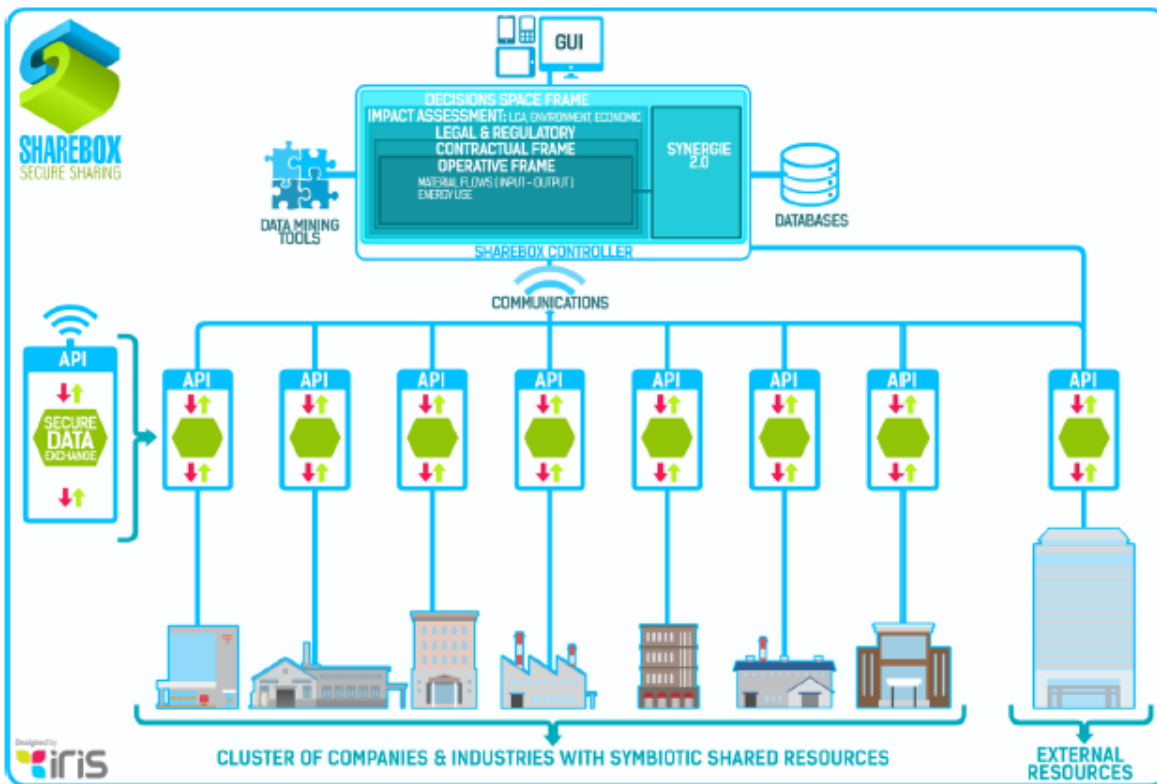
| Response  | Total | % of responses | %   |
|---|-------|----------------|-----|
| Risk and uncertainty linked to difficulty to identify costs-benefits and return on investment ex-ante       | 14    | <div></div>    | 64% |
| Lack of time  | 12    | <div></div>    | 55% |
| Logistics: high transport costs and dispersed production sites  | 9     | <div></div>    | 41% |
| Other, please specify   | 8     | <div></div>    | 36% |
| Too high costs of the needs for the changes in procedures or processes implied by IS transactions.          | 8     | <div></div>    | 36% |
| Lack of technical capacity and expertise  | 8     | <div></div>    | 36% |
| Not enough information  | 7     | <div></div>    | 32% |
| Transactional costs (negotiation costs)   | 5     | <div></div>    | 23% |
| Upfront costs for participating in IS networks or transactions (e.g. membership fees, pay-per service fees) | 4     | <div></div>    | 18% |
| Difficulty to assign benefits among parts, once the transaction has been successfully implemented           | 4     | <div></div>    | 18% |
| Storage space   | 4     | <div></div>    | 18% |
| Other organisational barriers [please specify]:   | 2     | <div></div>    | 9%  |
| Do not know   | 0     |                | 0%  |

# SHAREBOX project



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- **Duration:** 4 years (Sep 2015 – Aug 2019)
- **Consortium:** 16 partners (including 4 industrial clusters, 6 universities, 1 industrial association)
- **Budget:** €6 Million
- **Output:** A smart online platform for sharing byproducts and resources integrating intelligent decision support tools for managing existing synergies and AI-based identification/matchmaking of new cross-sectorial interactions



**In the context of Sharebox we invited companies to facilitated workshops where potential synergies were identified, some of which were materialized.**

**Impact based on 26 active synergies as of December 2018:**

| Indicator                    | Impact at M48                            |
|------------------------------|--|
| Global Warming Potential     | 1.380.000 tonnes                         |
| Total material consumption   | 635,500 tonnes of virgin resources saved |
| Waste avoided                | 515,500 tonnes                           |
| Additional sales             | €53.850.000                              |
| Cost savings                 | €14.120.000                              |
| Private investment generated | €4.450.000                               |
| Job creation                 | 74 new jobs                              |

Project leverage factor: 11€ generated for every € invested by the European Commission

# INCUBIS project



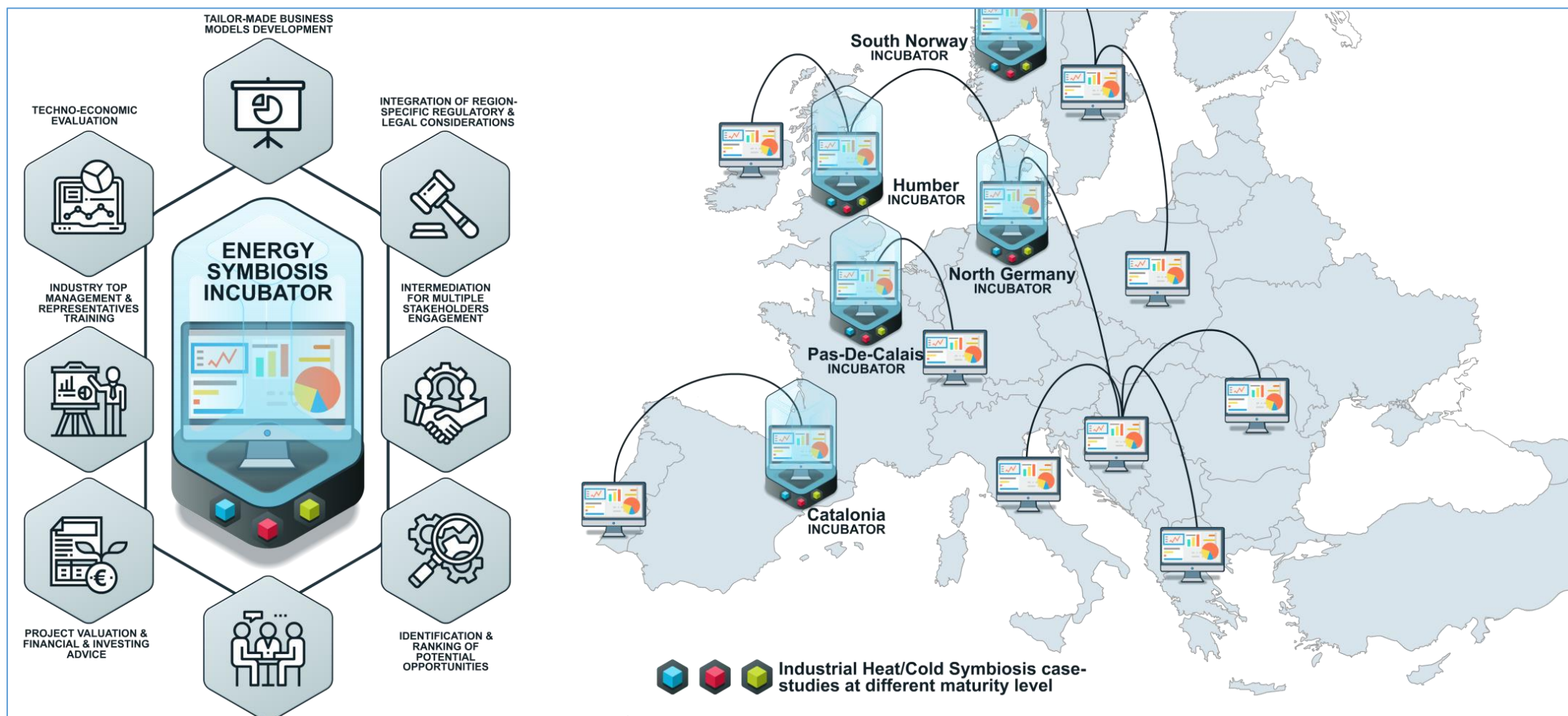
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**Duration:** 3 years (May 2020 – Apr 2023)

**Consortium:** 8 partners

**Budget:** €2 Million

**Output:** A network of Regional Incubators, building capacity at all levels and supporting the realization of Energy-based Symbiosis in 5 European regions.





**In the context of INCUBIS we will facilitate and trigger energy synergies between industries and between industries and municipalities with the following targets:**

| Project Performance Indicator  | Quantification |               | Measurement unit                  |
|--|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
|  | during project | 3 years after |                                   |
| Primary energy savings triggered by the project  | > 100          | 200           | GWh/year                          |
| Investments in sustainable energy triggered by the project   | > 3            | 6             | million EUR                       |
| Benefits generated from investments <sup>1</sup>   | >2             | 4             | million EUR                       |
| <i>Number of plant sites that commit to energy cooperation (EC)</i>  | >1450          | 3000          | Number of sites                   |
| <i>Number of ind. parks where businesses commit to EC</i>  | > 40           | 80            | number of parks                   |
| <i>Number of stakeholders aware of joint energy services</i>   | >10000         | 20000         | Nr of stakeholders                |
| <i>Number of policies and legal frameworks created and/ or adapted to facilitate energy cooperation among businesses</i> | >10            | >20           | Number of policies and frameworks |
| <i>Reduction of GHG emissions triggered by the project</i>   | >22500         | >55000        | tCO <sub>2</sub> -eq/year         |
| <i>Reduction of air pollutants triggered by the project</i>  | unknown        | unknown       | kg/year                           |

Project leverage factor: €5 generated for every €1 invested by the European Commission (in a 6 year horizon)



Thank you for your attention ! ! !

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