

3RD FORUM OF THE EU STRATEGY FOR THE ADRIATIC CATANIA 24-25 MAY 2018 AND IONIAN REGION

R&I IN THE "EUSAIR": The role of Innovation Ecosystems and Smart Specialisation

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EUSAIR: Thematic scope -

- limited number of specific objectives...

...that contribute to the institutional capacity building and develop and disseminate good practices and lessons relevant for the countries in the EU Macro-Regions



Pillar 1



Pillar 2



Pillar 3



Pillar 4



Cross-cutting aspects

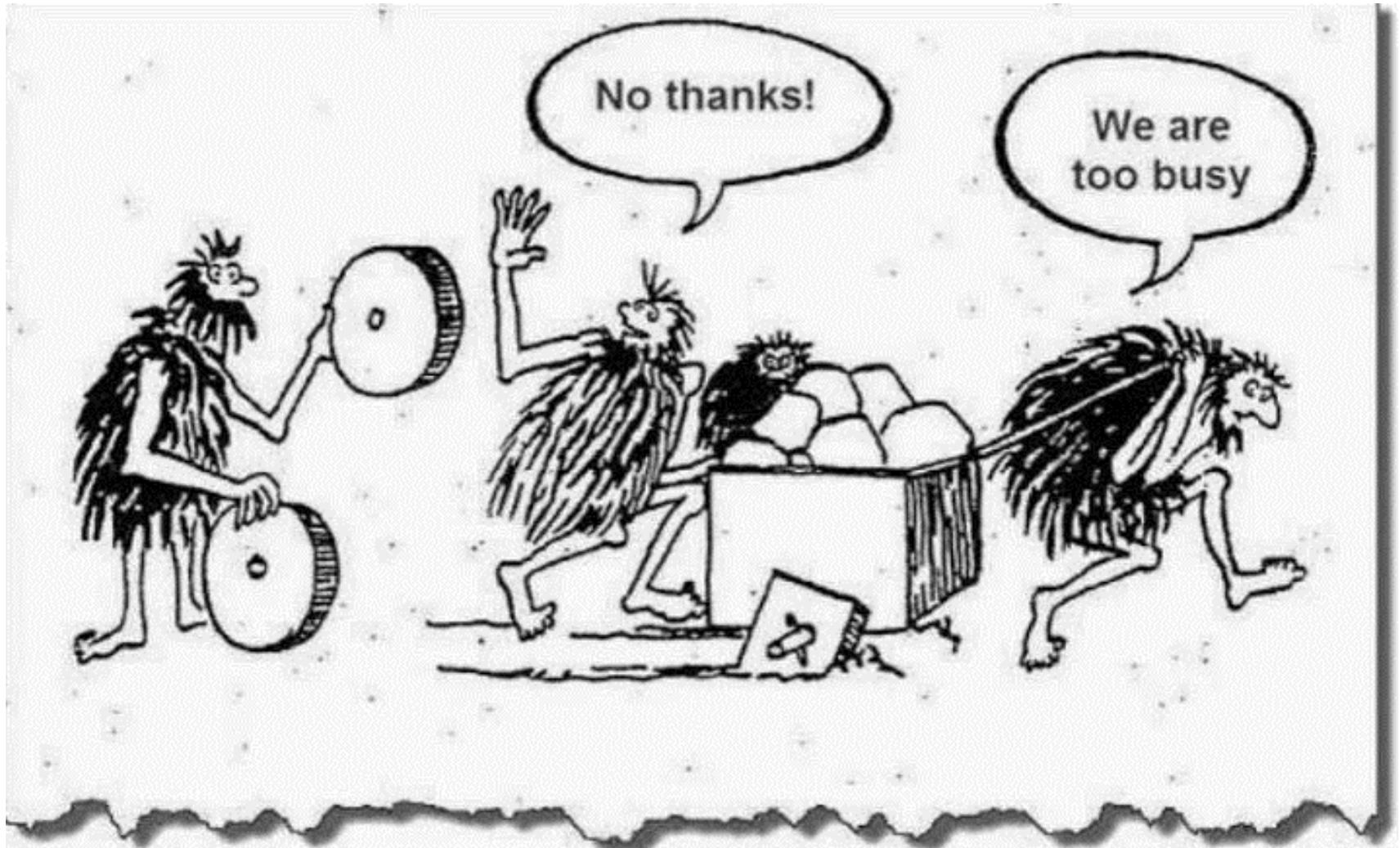
Capacity building - including communication, **Research & Innovation** and **SME development**

Horizontal principles

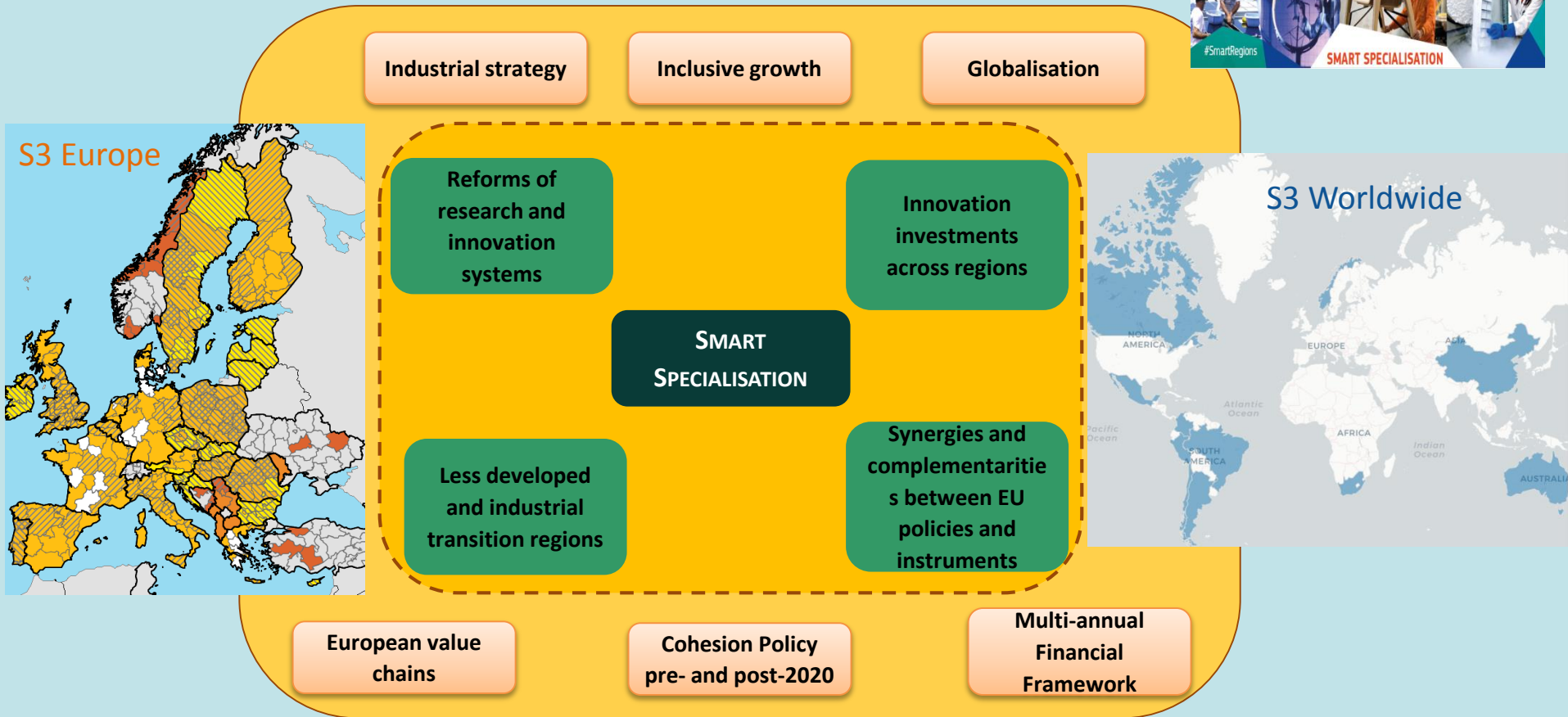
Climate change mitigation and adaptation & disaster risk management

Creating Innovation Eco-Systems → Boosting Capacity Building for Innovation...

...fundamental precondition = favourable policy framework for innovation!



WHY? S3 as a response to today's/tomorrow's challenges



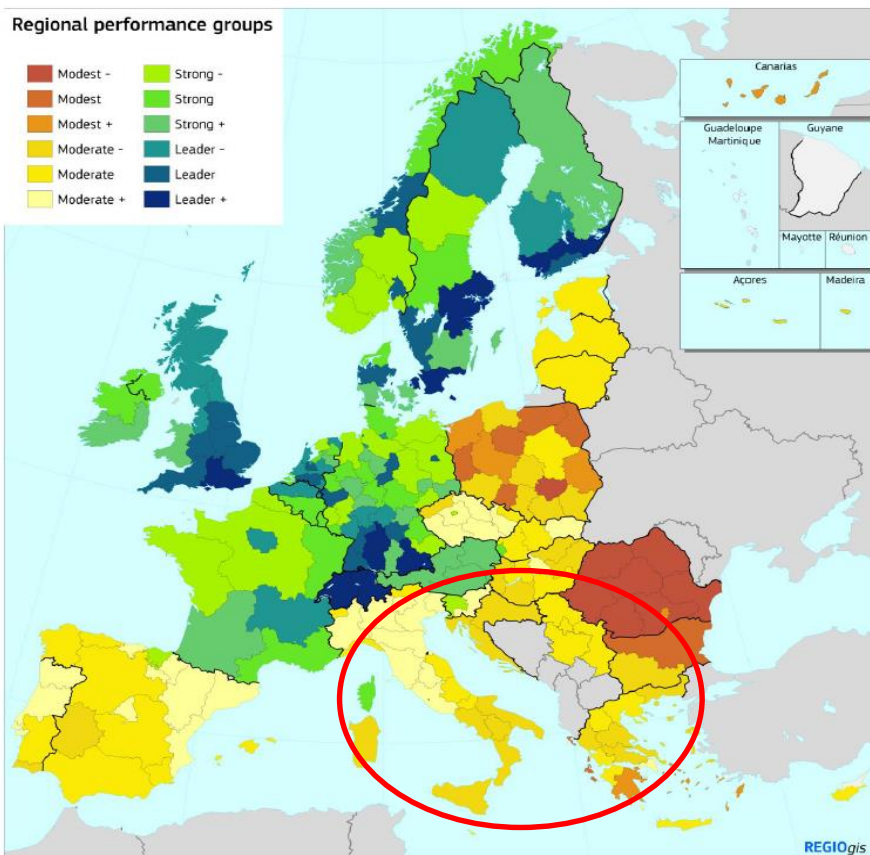
Status vis-a-vis the S3

EU:120 S3 strategies
93 Actions Plans



EUSAIR – large variety among the regions/countries regarding the Innovation Eco-Systems & the S3 Process! (NEAR: EU Engagement with the WB-Six Flagship Initiatives & Action Plan with 57 Actions! ➡ 3° enhanced support for socio-economic development!)

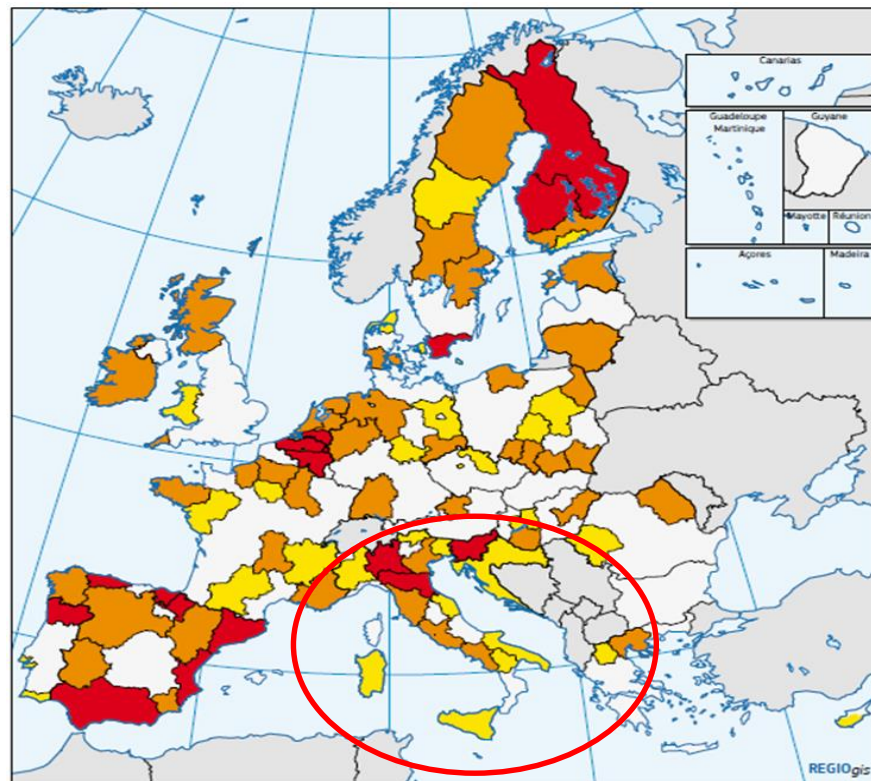
Regional Innovation Scoreboard 2017



EUSAIR area



Participation in the Thematic S3 Platforms 2017



Thematic Smart Specialisation Platforms:
Which regions participate and in how many different partnerships?

Number of participations



Number of partnerships: 18
in Energy: 5
in Industrial Modernisation: 9
in Agri-Food: 4

Source: JRC, DG REGIO

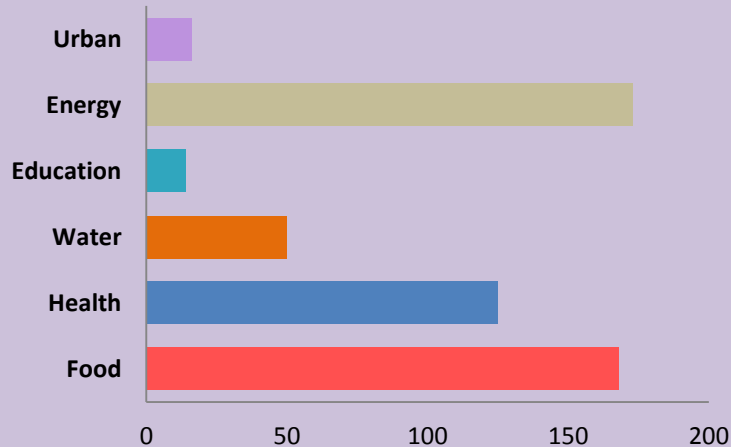
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The Thematic Smart Specialisation Platforms, a key vehicle for the implementation of Smart Specialisation

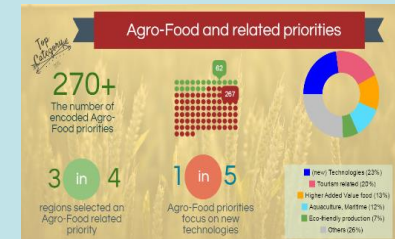
Three Thematic Platforms

Smart Specialisation priorities in the EU



Source: DG JRC

Agro-food



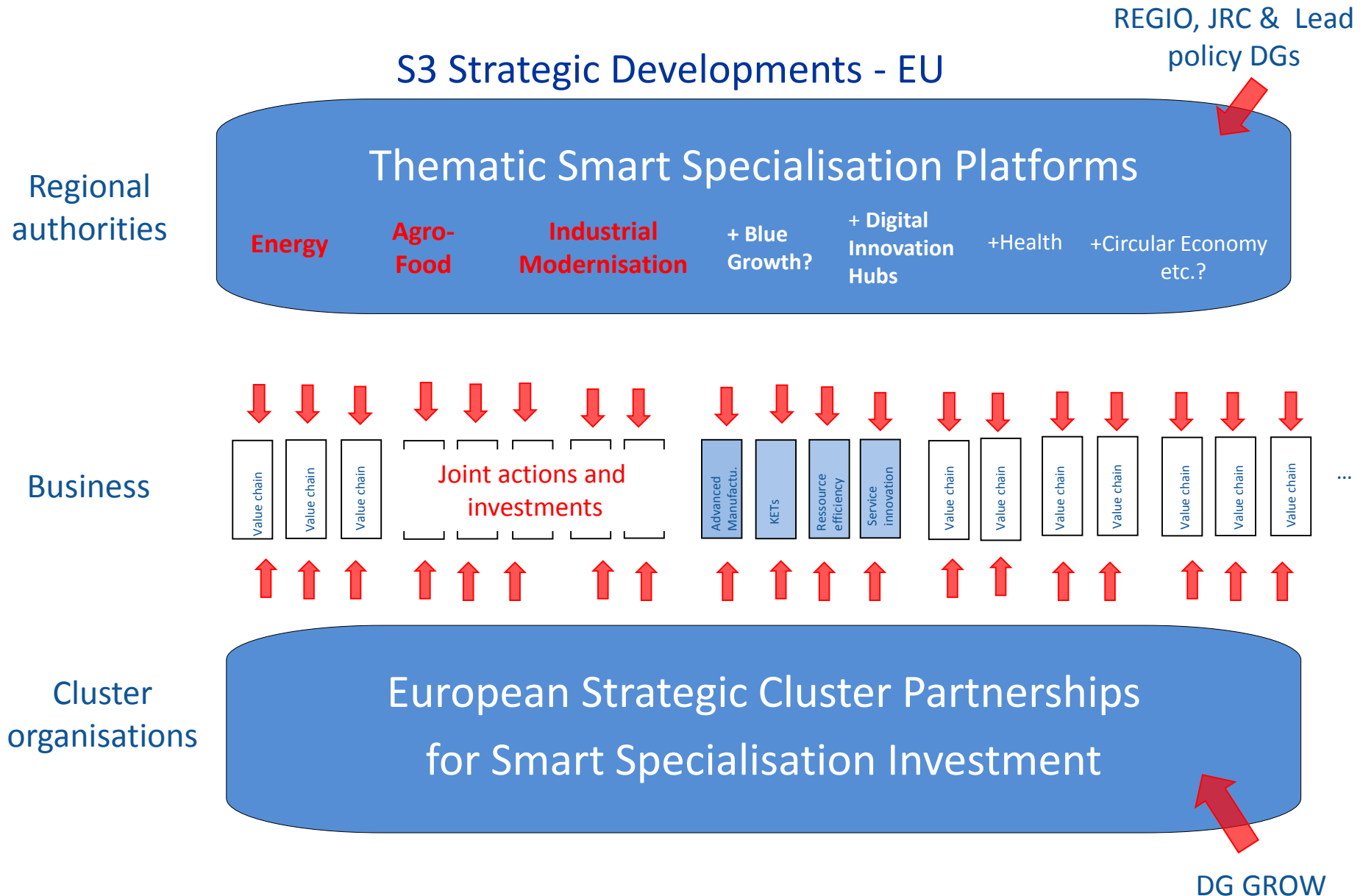
Energy



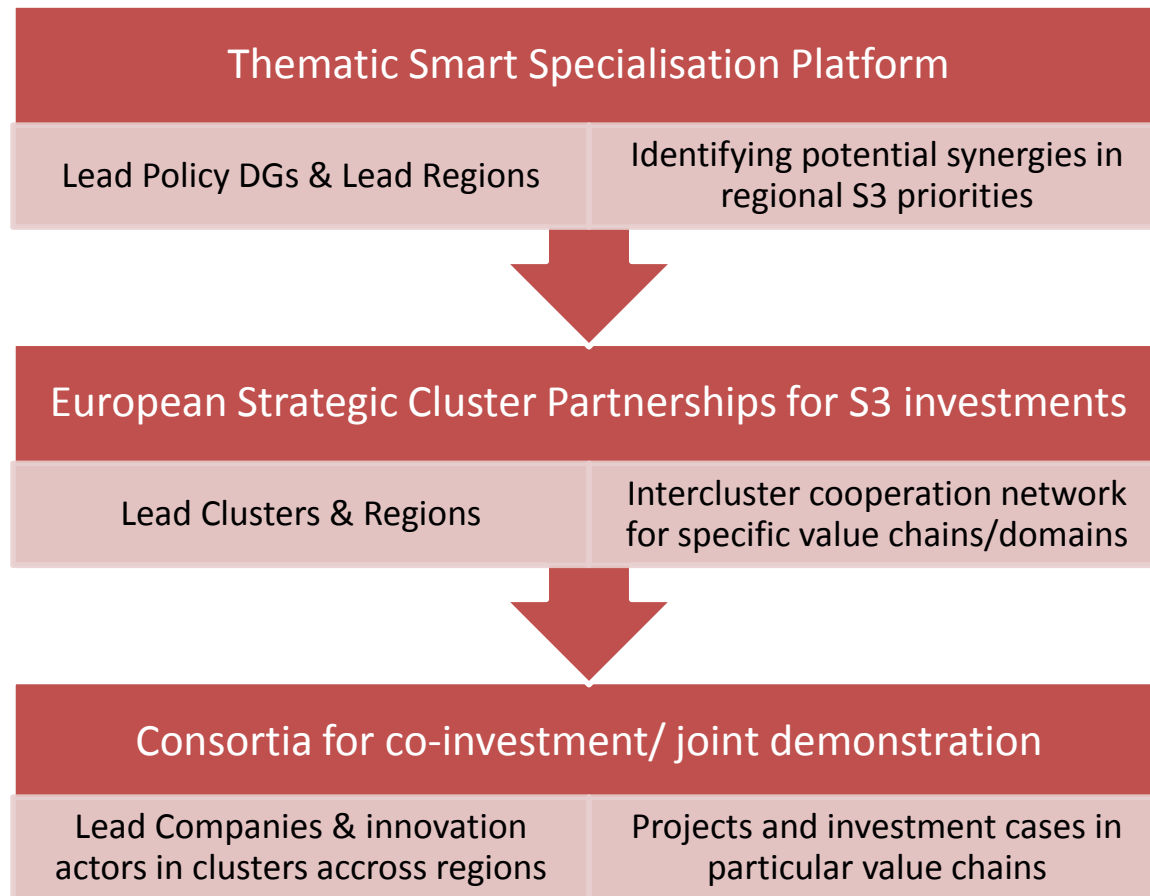
Industry



S3 Linking Public Admin.& Businesses at the EU level



Three steps of the 'Entrepreneurial Discovery Process' at the EU-level



JRC's on-going S3 activities with WBC 2017-18



2018

S3 Roadmap on-going* by JRC
E&IA (institutional funding)

Serbia & Montenegro

S3 initiation*

Albania

FYR Macedonia

+ Bosnia and Herzegovina

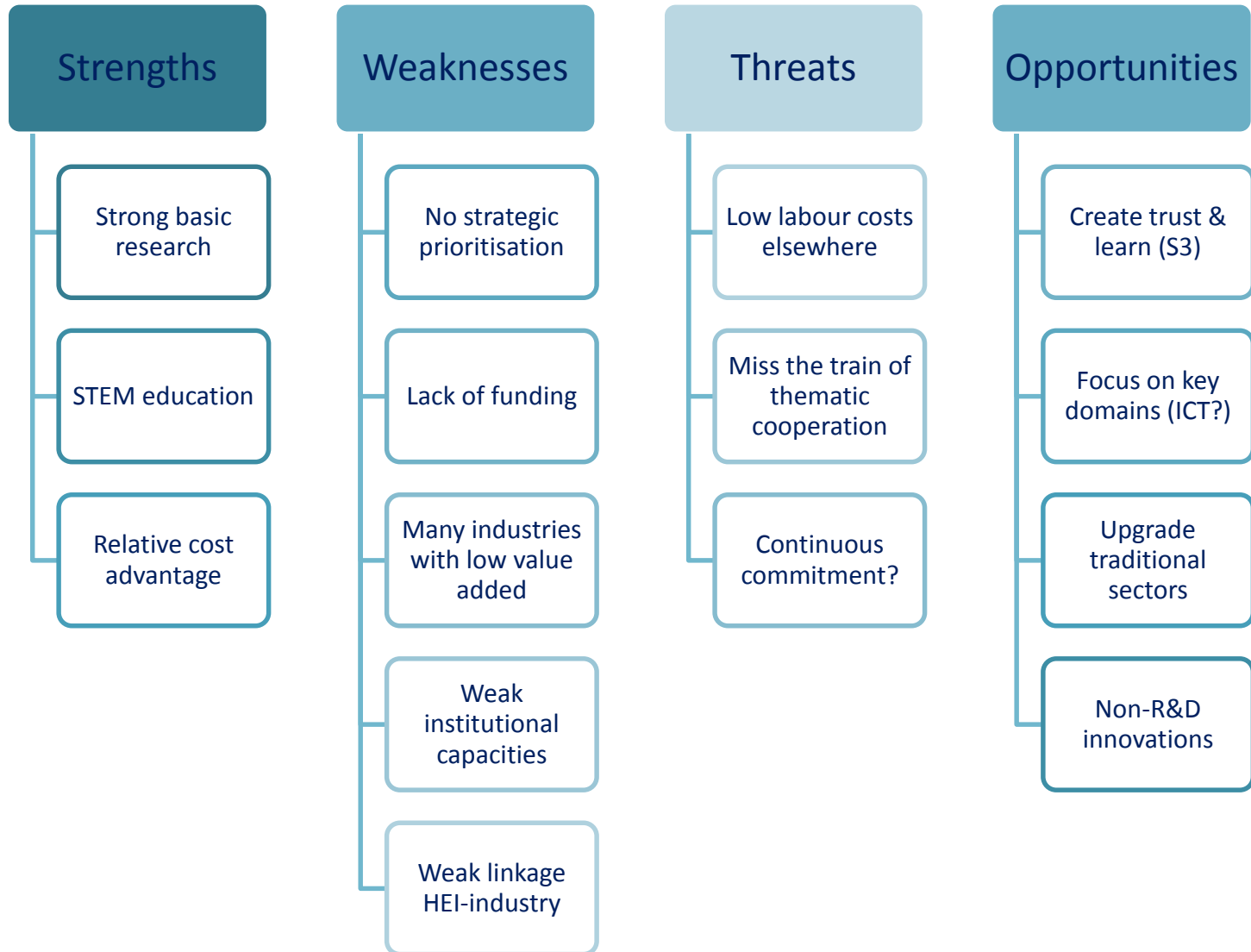
+ Kosovo*

with S3 seminars, workshops,
expert support, creation of
mutual learning community of
practitioners

2019>

Administrative
Agreement JRC/NEAR
on systematic S3
support to the
Enlargement =
Western Balkan
Countries

S3 Revealed policy weaknesses and capacity issues in the innovation eco-systems across the WB and EUSAIR Countries





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R&I in the EUSAIR - The role of Innovation Ecosystems and S3 - 3 Sessions :

Panel 1: Reinforcing Innovation Capacities and Ecosystems: Smart Specialization and Funding Synergies

Panel 2: EUSAIR Key Actors: Examples and good practices from Clusters and Research Systems

Panel 3: Boosting public-private investments in the EUSAIR/Maximizing the use of EU funding opportunities for the valorisation of research results

Summary & Conclusion