





## SMART SPECIALISATION IN PORTUGAL: REFLECTION AND UPDATING

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# How to boost EDP in Portuguese regions

#### **Understanding EDP**

- Entrepreneurial-driven process to search/discover projects for research and innovation that best fit the capabilities of each region
- Multi-stakeholder bottom-up participatory reflection-process about prioritisation, i.e. directions of search for knowledge application areas to serve market needs
- Regional actors present their ideas on what would be the perceived directions of search for knowledge application, leading to domain definition according to local perception of market needs opportunities and local existing resource strengths and limitations

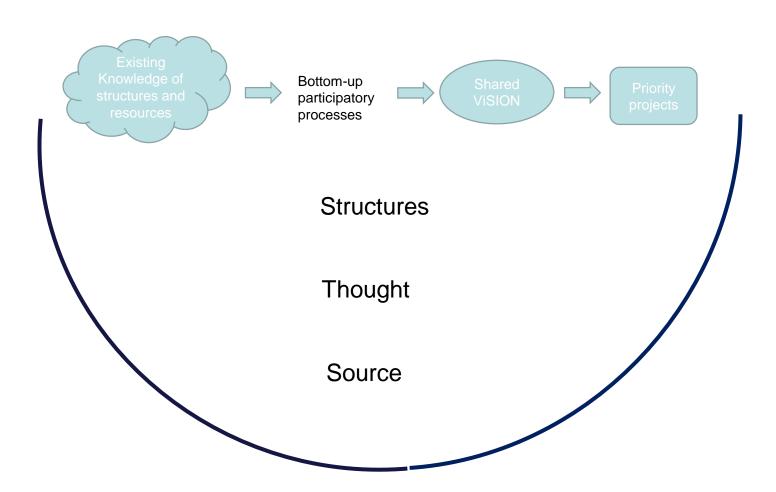
#### Avoid deficit of insights ...

Not knowledge/innovation domain applications

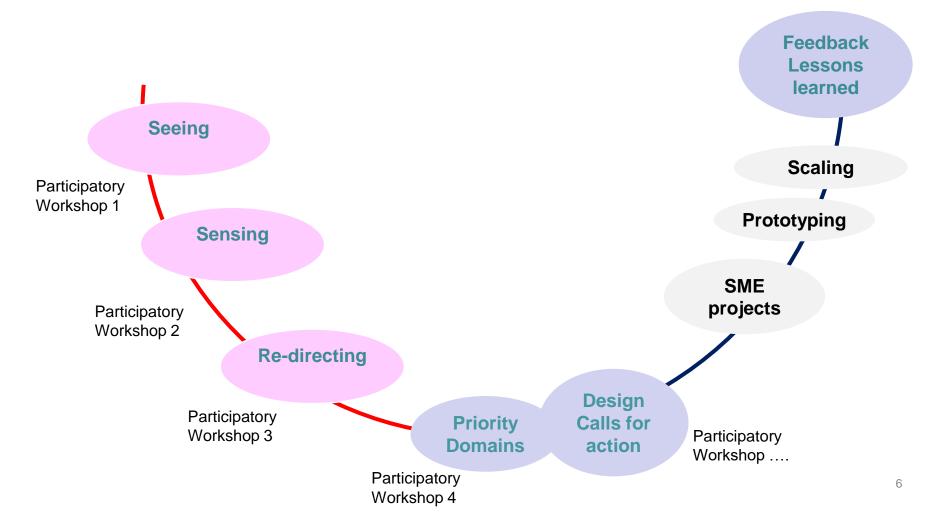
- too many, too broad
- Factfulness vs Mindfulness

 Downloading the past. "fast forwarding the past into the future!"

### Boosting EDP How does it work?

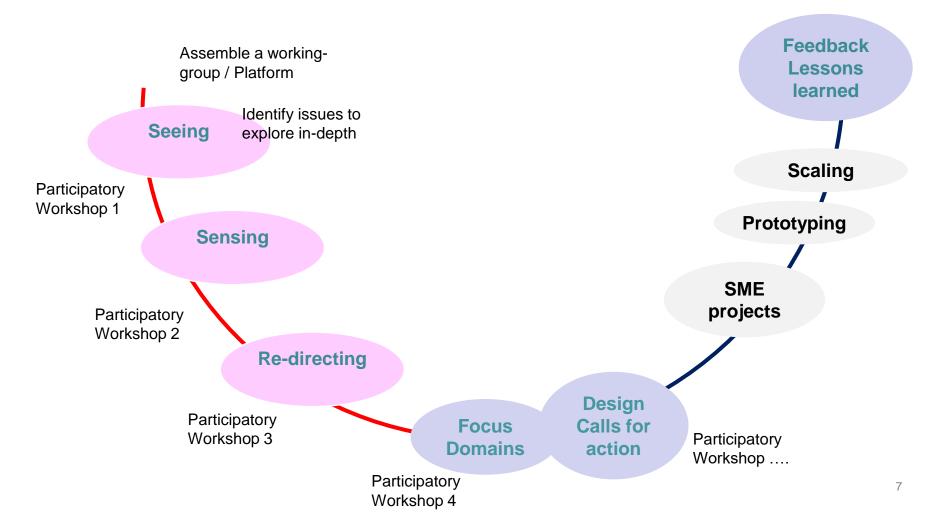


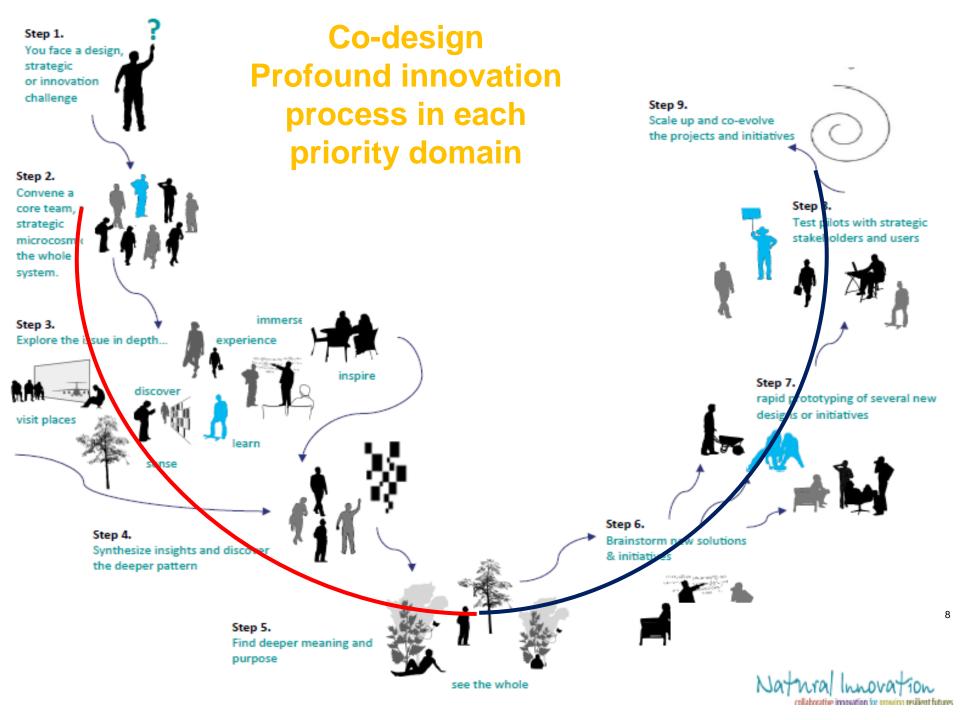
## Boosting EDP Definition of priority-domains



#### **Boosting EDP**

## Co-design profound innovation processes in each priority-domain





#### Tools for truly participatory EDP

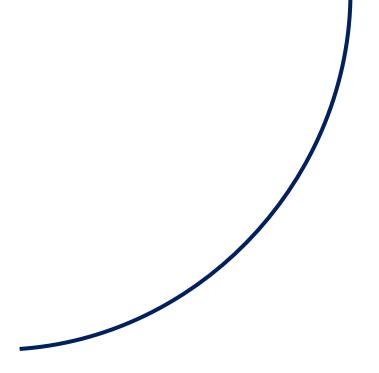
Dialogue Stakeholder Interviews, 3D and 4D mapping Current Reality Movie, Sensing Journeys – Visits to other places Case Clinics

Why ?? We need observe, listen to other actors, share knowledge with others in other to learn see/sense the innovation ecosystem

#### Tools for truly participatory EDP

Design Thinking
Dragon Dreaming courses
Prototyping bootcamps,
Hacker spaces
Start-up accelerators

WHY?: to enable "failure" and "learning from failure" ....



#### Suggestion



#### **Create Regional Innovation Labs**

- 1.discover/refocus priority domains and gorm regional platforms (partnerships)
- 2.Co-design the innovation processes with local stakeholders for differente domains
  - separate STI –mode / DUI mode as they originate diferente calls for action
- 3. Provide training on innovation, entrepreneurship accelerators, intermediation, "change makers"







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