





## Introducing the 1st European Centre of Excellence and the ERRIN network

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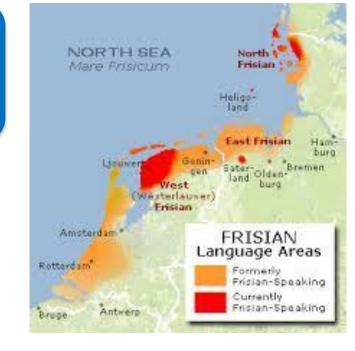
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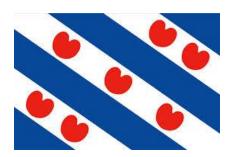


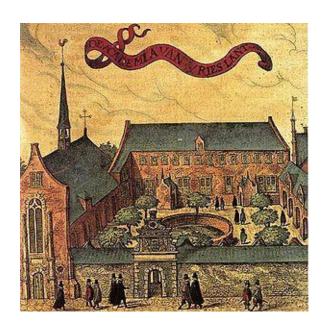
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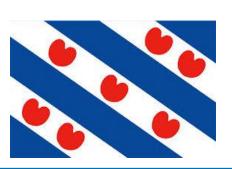
It was the Frisians who reinvented useful money, and taught their ideas to the Franks under Charlemagne.

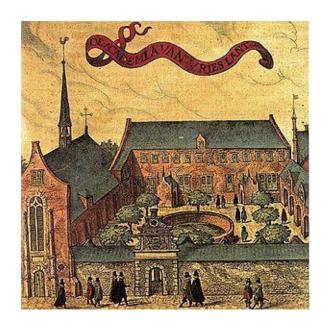




258 years of academic experience

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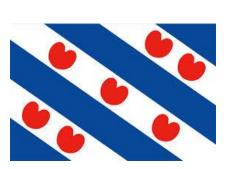




Stop your smart regional specialisation!

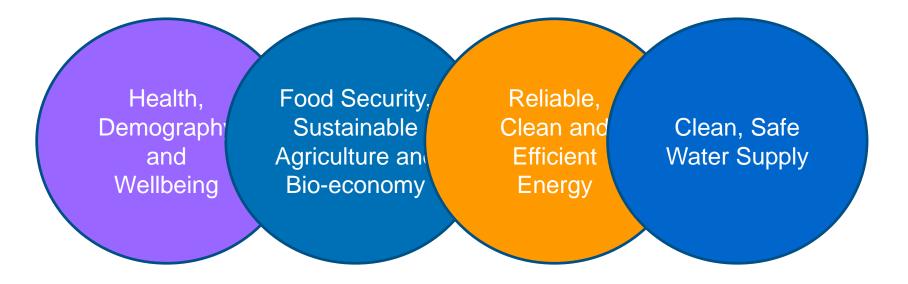


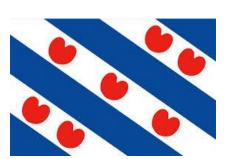
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Active 1585 – 1843 (258 years)





# Northern Netherlands RIS3 4 Societal Challenges: Health, Food, Energy and Water





# Friesland: focus on Water Technology and Milk

#### **Water and Milk**











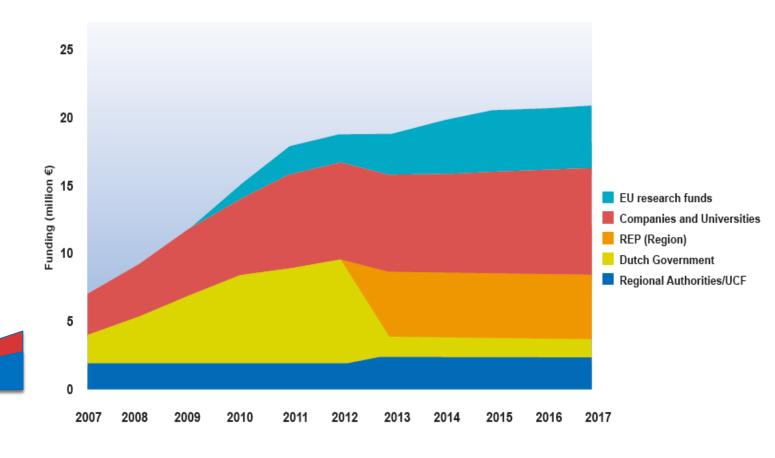
### Wetsus: European Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Water Technology







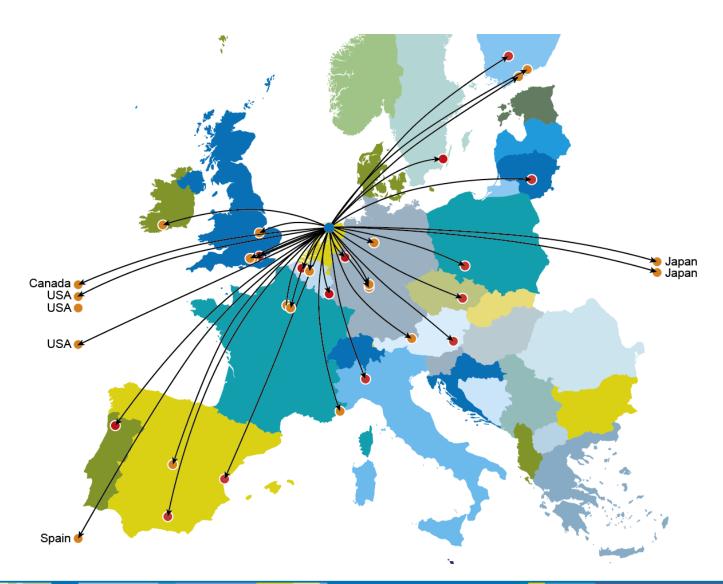
## Wetsus PPP-model: a decade of growth through synergy in funding (2003-2017)





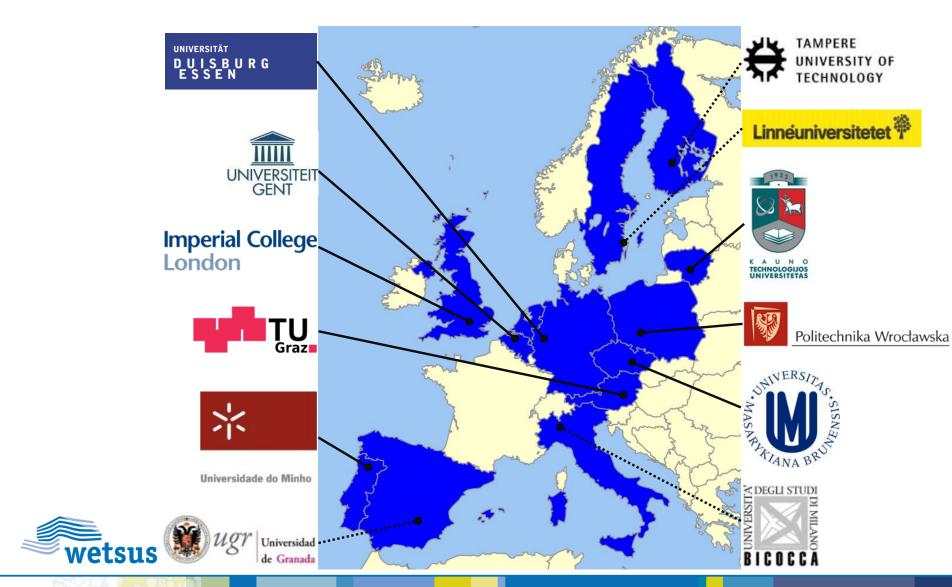


### Connecting with partners from Europe and beyond





## University participants throughout Europe



#### Company participants from outside EU

**UK**Anglian Water

**HAPPS** 

**Mast Carbon** 

Berson UV

**USA/Canada** 

**General Electric** 

**DOW** 

**DC** Water

Trojan UV

<u>Japan</u>

Fuji

Kurita

Kuraray

Spain

Israel

ICL

Abengoa

**Germany** 

Skion

**Esco Salt** 

**France** 

Veolia Eau

Aqua Nirvana

Laborelec-Engie

**Austria** 

**IPF** 

SNT

**Finland** 

Kemira

**Neste Oil** 

**Denmark** 

Grundfos

**Saudi Arabia** 

Sabic

<u>Ireland</u>

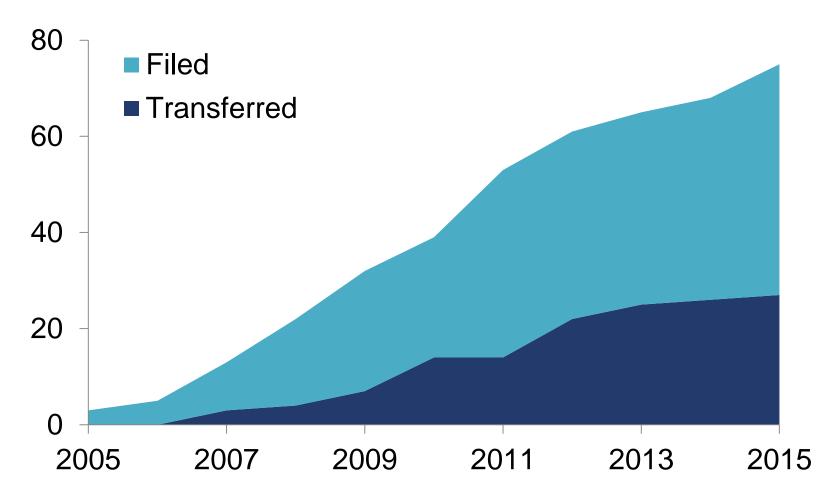
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**Norway** 

Yara



## Validation of research results by participating companies: 36% Patents transferred





## Between 2007 and 2015: 25 spin-off companies created

Wetsus spin-off companies	
REDstack	Automatic Electric Europe Special Products
• DeSaH	HydrOwashr
• Westt	Salttech
Aqua Explorer	Biotrack
Dutch Rainmaker	TailTec
EasyMeasure	ExtIns Technologies
Water ProMaSys	Aiforo
Capilix	• Duplaco
Pure Green	Somut
Smart Frequencies	Wisect
Water Waves	• Djipper
Metal Membranes	High Voltage Water
AquaBattery	

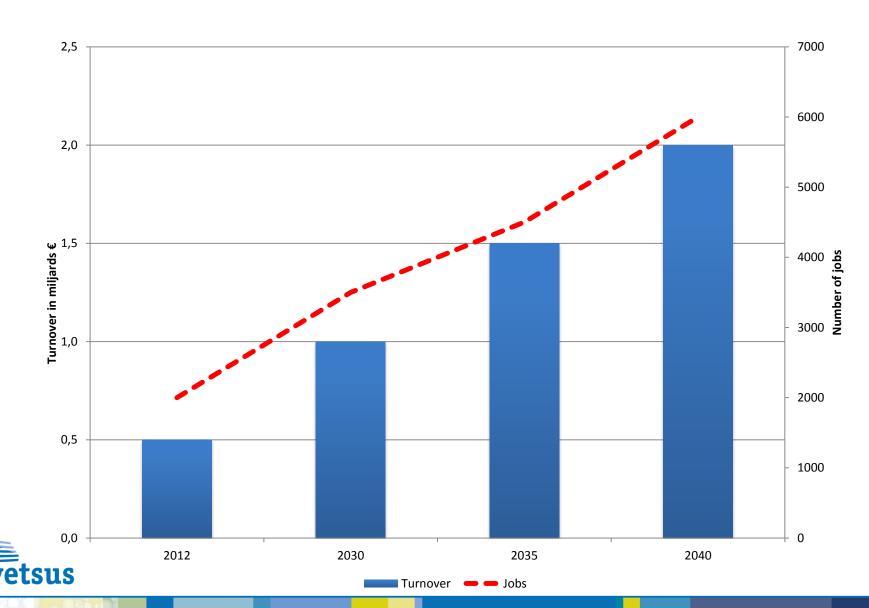


## **Blue Energy**





### Watertech jobs and turnover in Fryslân



#### **ERRIN**

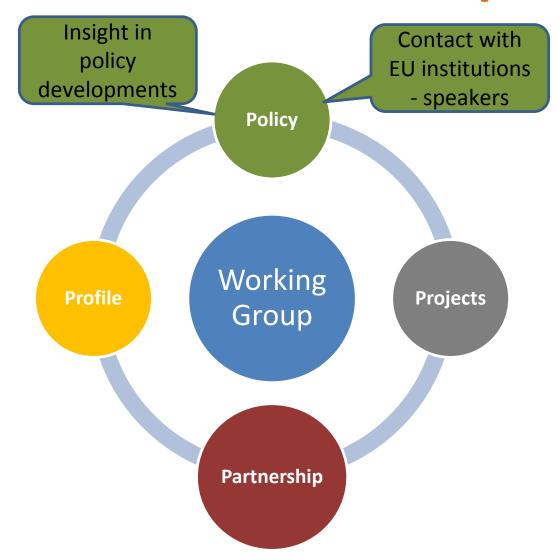


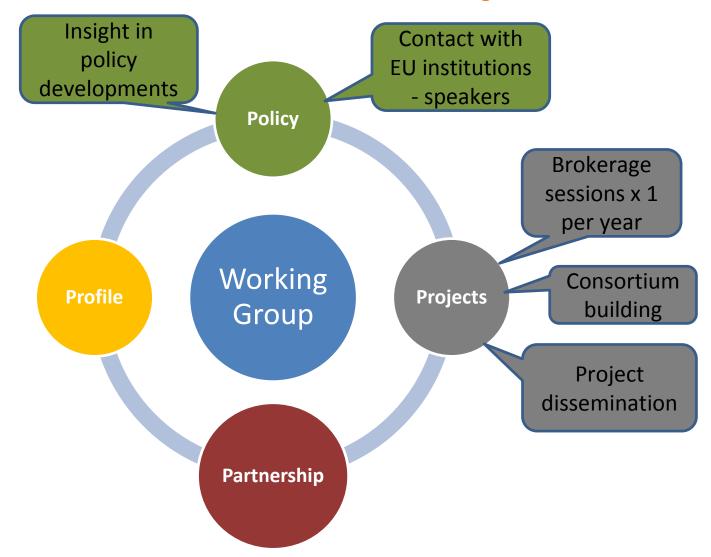


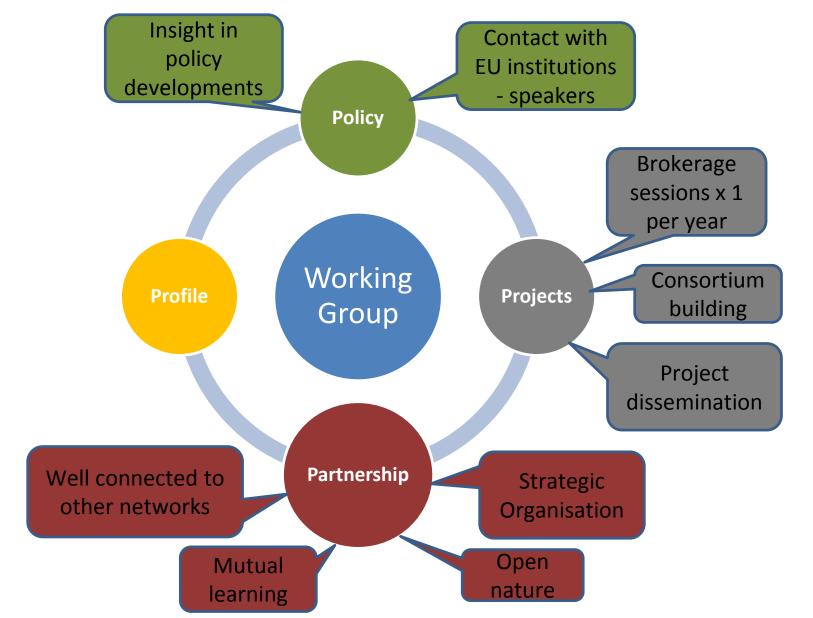
- Brussels-based Platform
- ☐ 120 member regions
- Focus on research and innovation
- Brokerage events
- ☐ RIS3
- Widening Participation

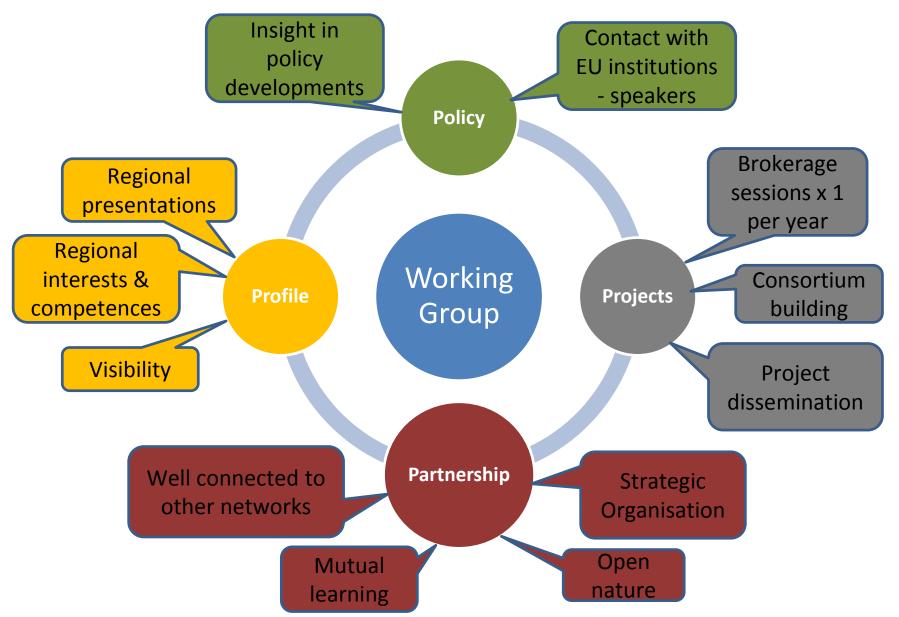
ERRIN Member:
Slovenian
Business and
Research
Association







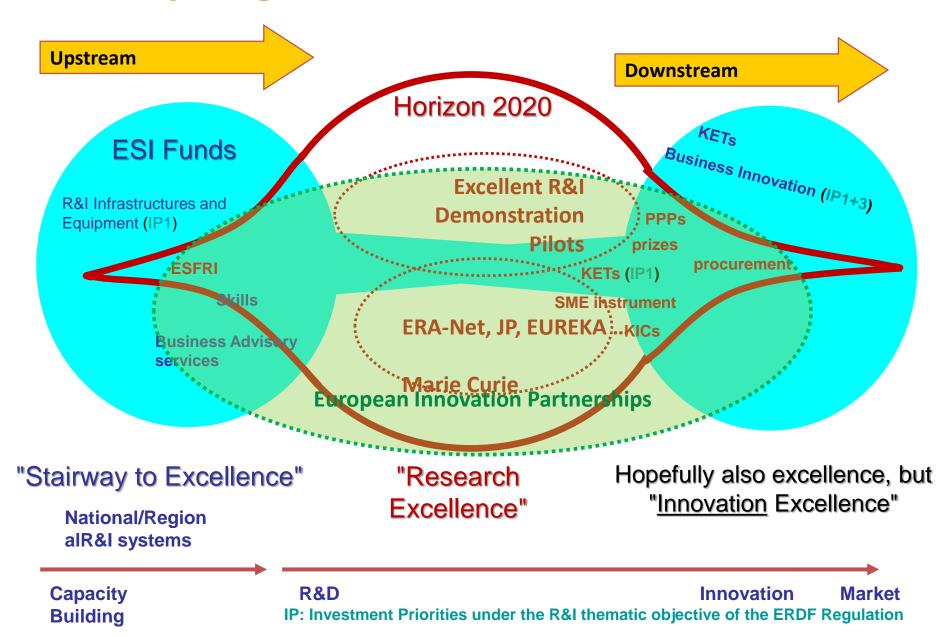




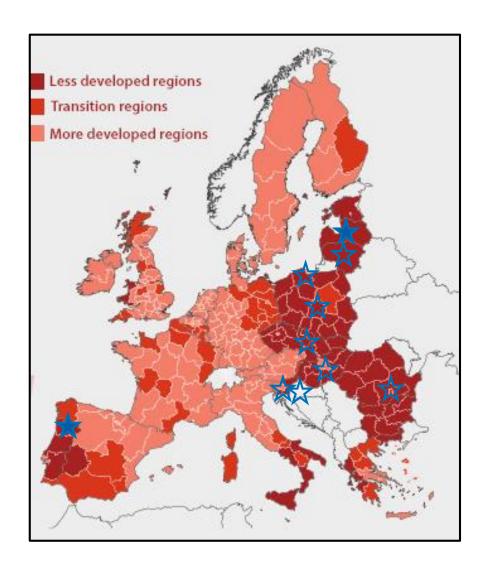
### **ERRIN Working Groups 2016**

Bio-economy/ Energy & Health Climate Change Food & Agri Water / Process **Smart Cities** Transport **Industry** Advanced Tourism manufacturing/ Blue Growth Nano Design & Policy / RIS3 ICT Creativity

### **Synergies with Horizon2020?**



#### Bilateral cooperation with regions

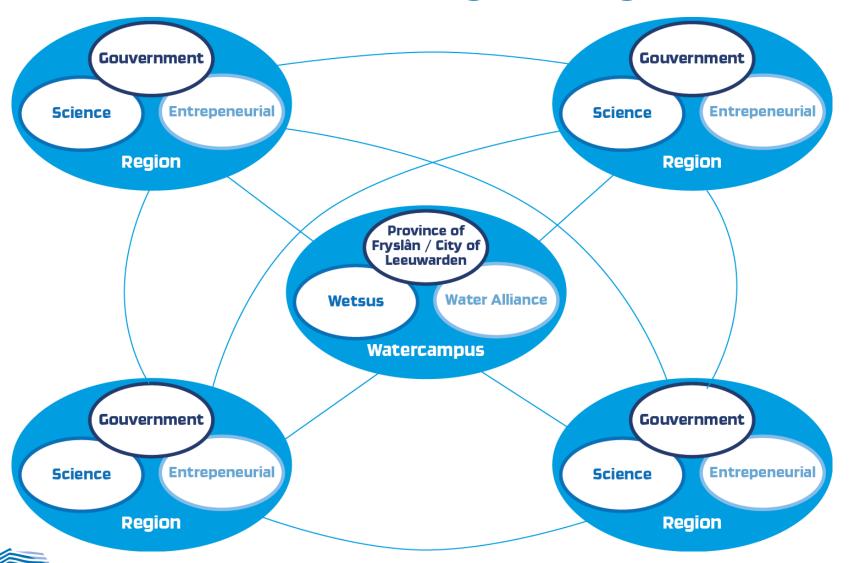


#### 10 potential regions:

- Latvia (lv)
- North Portugal (pt)
- Lithuania (It)
- Pomorskie (pl)
- Łódź (pl)
- Budapest (hu)
- South Moravia (cz)
- Bucharest (ro)
- Croatia (hr)
- Slovenia (sl)



### Connecting the regions



wetsus





#### www.wetsus.eu www.watercampus.nl www.topsectorwater.nl

#### Wetsus is co-funded by:

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- · the Dutch Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment
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