



from intention to action

International Competitiveness, Sustainability and Innovation; Lessons from Sweden in an International context

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Disposition

- Competitiveness and Sustainability Performances
- Some Observations on the Swedish Approach
- Innovation Eco-system
- Governance and Stakeholder Engagement

Competitiveness and Sustainability Performances

Sweden in the Competitiveness Ranking – and the Countries ahead







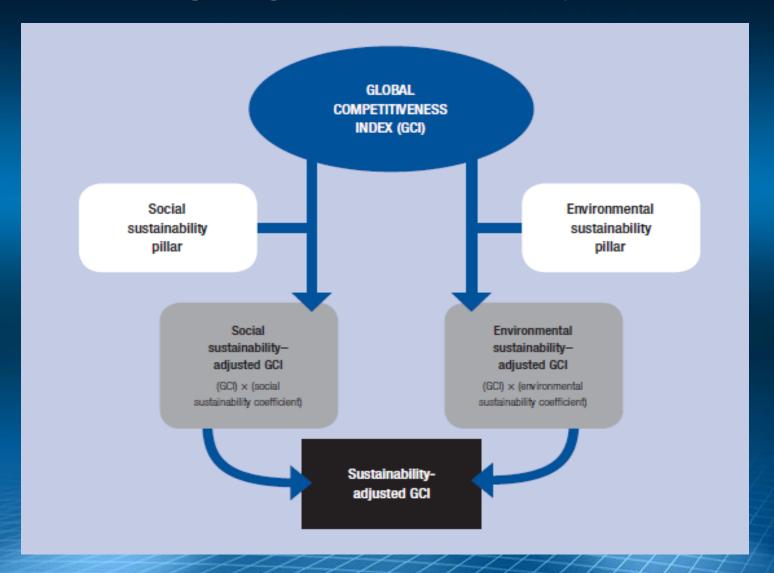








When Weighing in Sustainability indicators







Adjustment in the GCI Scores with Sustainability Indicators

	GCI 2014/15		Social sustainability- adjusted GCI		Enviromental sustainability- adjusted GCI		Sustainability-adjusted GCI		
	rank	score	score	+/-	score	+/-	score	rank	+/-
Switzerland	1	5.70	6.75	^	6.84	^	6.80	1	→
Singapore	2	5.65				n/i			
USA	3	5.54	5.97	^	5.24	Ψ	5.61	17	•
Finland	4	5.50	6.48	^	5.98	^	6.18	3	^
Germany	5	5.49	6.36	^	6.00	^	6.18	4	^
Japan	6	5.47	6.29	^	5.83	^	6.06	6	→
Hong Kong SAR	7	5.46		_		n/i			
Netherlands	8	5.45	6.39	^	5.88	^	6.13	5	^
UK	9	5.41	5.95	^	5.75	^	5.85	11	↓
Sweden	10	5.41	6.05	^	5.95	^	6.00	7	^
Other selected cou	untries								
Norway	11	5.35	6.43	^	6.14	^	6.28	2	^
Denmark	13	5.29	6.14	^	5.69	<u> </u>	5.91	10	1
China	28	4.89	4.96	→	4.28	↓	4.62	25	^

Source: The Global Competitiveness Report 2014-15

Environmental Performance Index, 2014

	World Rank	Air Quality	Water and Sanitation	Water Resources	Biodiversity and Habitat	Climate and energy
Sweden	9	33	1	12	89	8
Denmark	13	52	1	7	73	16
Iceland	14	15	1	39	46	13
Finland	18	15	1	16	91	32
Norway	10	15	1	23	65	10
Germany	6	94	1	5	1	31
Switzerland	1	103	1	4	1	7
UK	12	45	1	3	70	56
Spain	7	32	23	8	101	4

Source: The Yale Center for Environmental Law & Policy (YCELP) (2014)

Some observations on the Swedish Approach

Management & Core Values

LONG TERM

DEVELOPMENTAL

VIABLE

Sustainable

GENERATIONS

CO-OPERATION

INFORMATION PROVISION,
LABELLING

Environment_{SAFETY} ally sound

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

RELIABLE

Social Sponsibility

WELFARE, CARE

Swedish Success Stories

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- Bleaching, paper and pulp industry
- Recycling of beverage packaging
- Eco-food demand
- Waste collection-treatment-recycling incl. electrical waste and batteries ("el-retur")

Division of Responsibilities



Municipalities

Collection, treatment of household waste

The Environmental Code, Chapter 15

The Local Government Act

Law on Public Procurement A

The Competition Act

Producers

Handling waste with producers responsibility



Enterprises

Handling other waste than household waste, waste with prod. responsiblity





What municiplities should do



What municiplities could do

Complexity Facing Municipalities



Necessary Ingredients

- Coordination and initiative "to do more"
- Investment in new infrastructure
- Risk-taking in developing and trying new solutions
- Exchange of experience and collective learning
- Follow-through of evaluation and standardisation
- Buy-in broadly in society

Swedish Strengths

- Education, awareness-building
- Objectives
- Environmental polices mainstreamed
- Economic Instruments (European trading system)
- Information management (labeling, green certificates, ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 14001:2015...)
- R&D and innovation
- Organisation

Regulatory Principles in Sweden

- i) Decentralisation
- ii) Delegated responsibility
- iii) From agencies "taking care" to courts moving into action
- iv) Cooperative relations
- v) Consultative approach stakeholder relations

Issues

- Implementation/dealing with the issues
- Policy Integration
- International Cooperation
- Element of incumbent domination, conformity

Remaining Challenges for Sweden

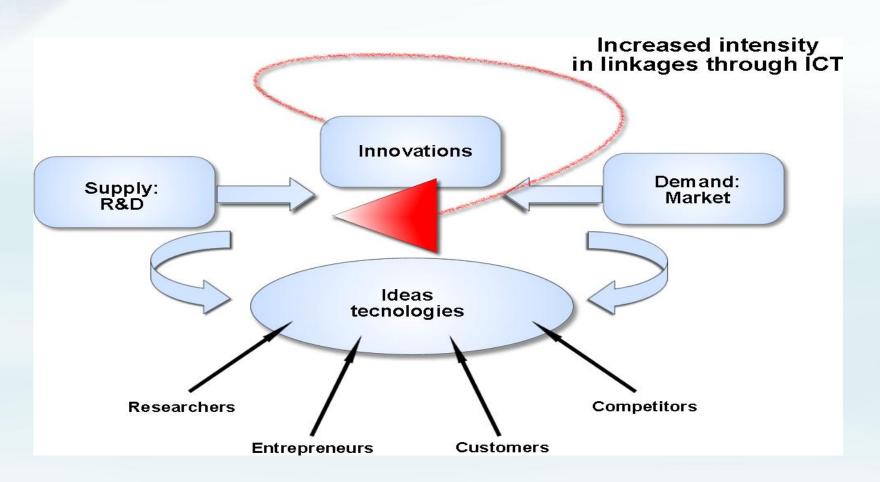
- i) Achieving more sustainable product life-cycles, incl. recycling.
- ii) Systemic improvement production and consumption patterns, including through consumer engagement in transport, durables, food, etc. iii) Reducing toxic waste use of pesticides, chemicals, etc.
- iv) Addressing regional environmental problems such as the status of the Baltic Sea and acidification and cross-border pollution, including from Russia and Eastern Europe.

Innovation Ecosystem



Abandoning the Linear Model

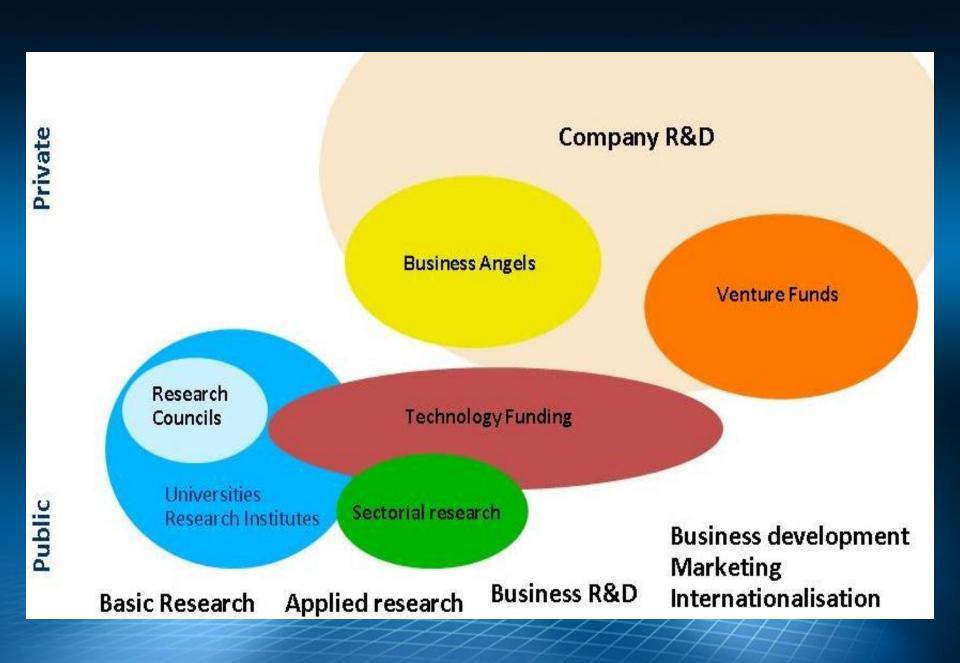
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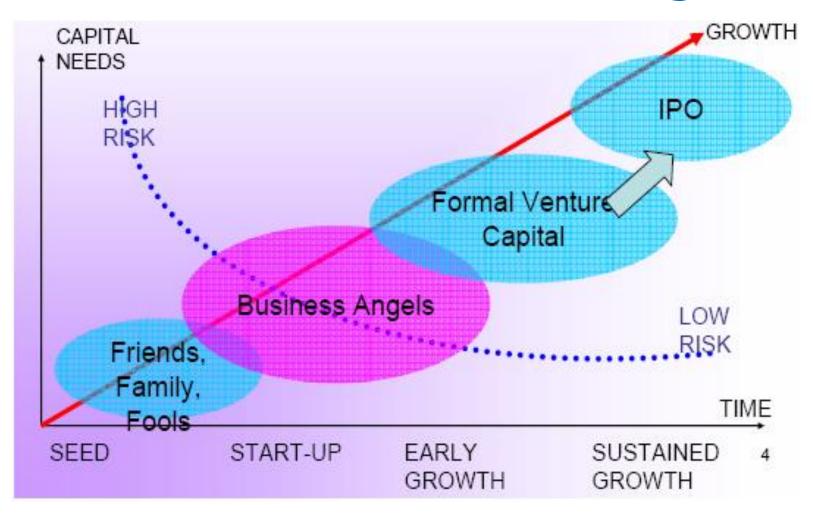


Stages

- End-of-pipe
- Products
- Life-cycles
- Ecosystems/Holistic

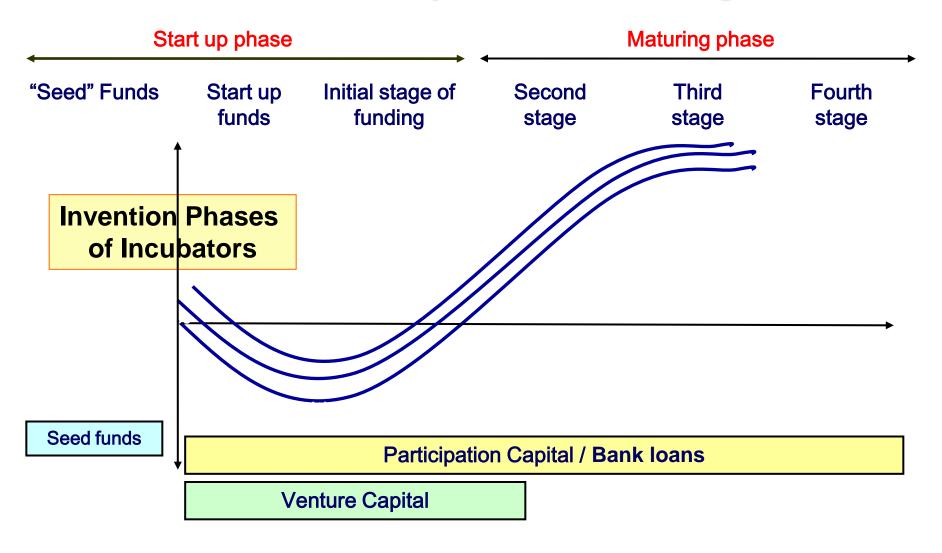


Diversified roles in Funding

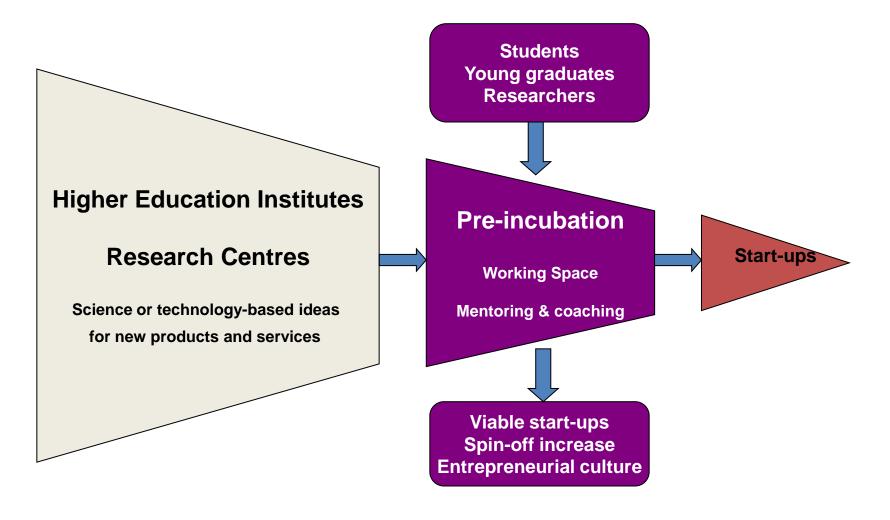


Source: Business Angel Networks

Phases of Business Development and Funding Tools



The Pre-incubation Concept



Encubator model

Innovation partner

Innovation / Idea

CHALMERS















Joint venture

business development (~10 months)

Company formation

Business developers (M.Sc. Students)

Business development

Incubator

encubator IDEAS REALISED

Legal expertise
Business coaching

Seed financing Facilities / infrastructure



Key to Value-Creation

- Specialisation; A sharp portfolio of strengths, permeating research, graduate education and innovation
- Critical mass; Sufficient own and networked resources and capabilities to create a unique platform
- Bridging; Academia engaged with society; businesses and entrepreneurs that engage with academia; medical research, hospitals and care centres linked with society
- Environment; A living, green and smart city, or rural areas that are "alive" conducive to active life and sustainable development
- Wellness; Healthy lifestyle and a vibrant medical & health sector
- Governance; Quality control, efficiency, inclusion

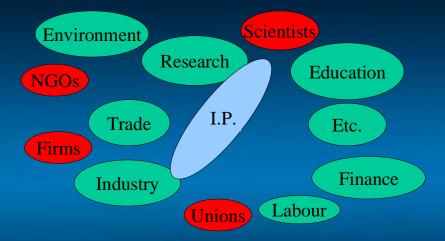


Governance and Stakeholder Engagement

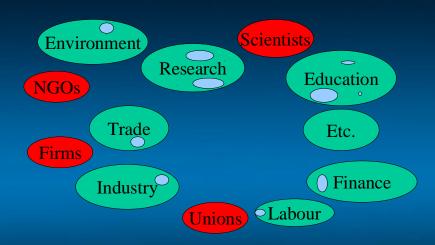
Governance & the Environment

- Market/Systems failures identified and addressed efficiently
- Local variation
- Dynamic of responses FMA or waiting mood
- Moral hazard/strategic behavior

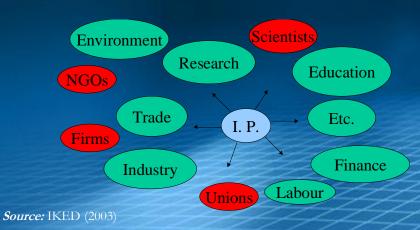
Traditional positioning of innovation policy



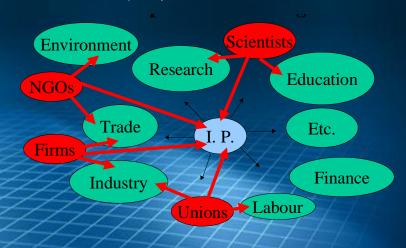
Implicit positioning of innovation policy



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Explicit positioning of innovation policy with interactions

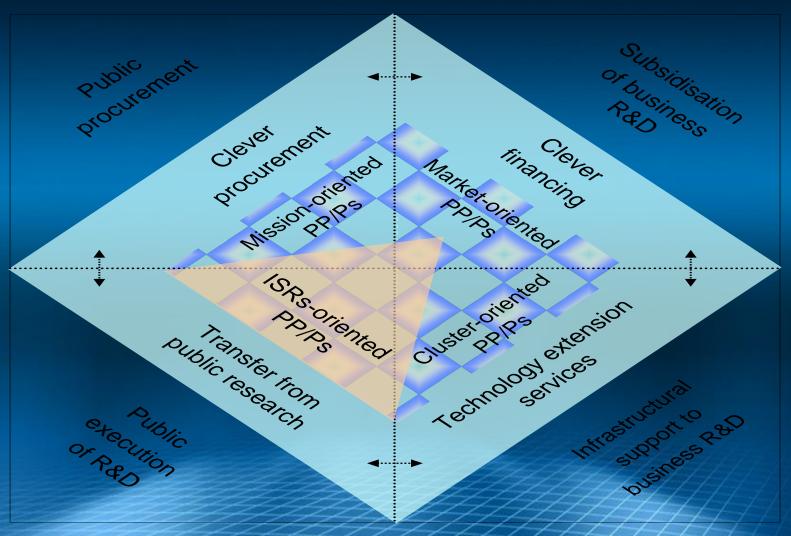


PPPs

- Complementary and inter-dependent
- Fill gaps in innovation systems
- Require sustainable cooperation
- Require adjustment (speed/acceptance)
- Optimizing investment
- Embedding in innovation system
- SMEs
- International linkages
- Evaluation

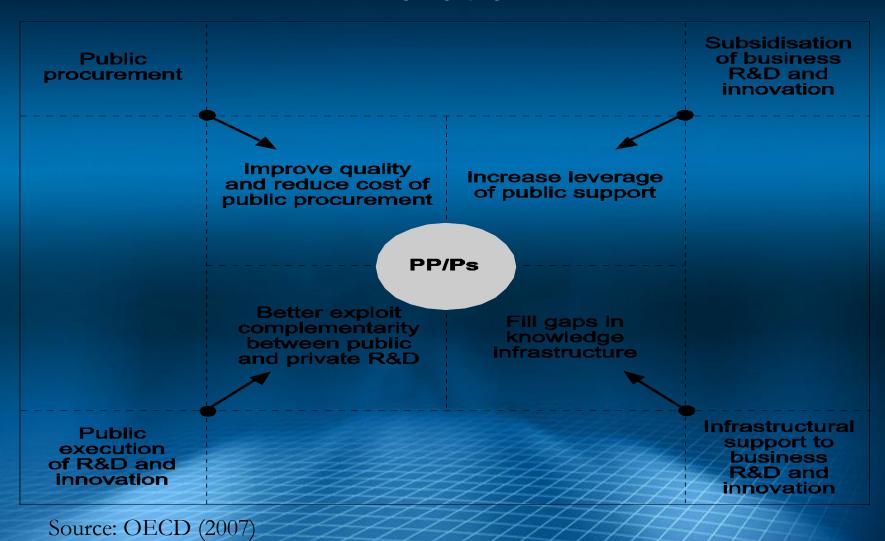


Typology of PP/Ps

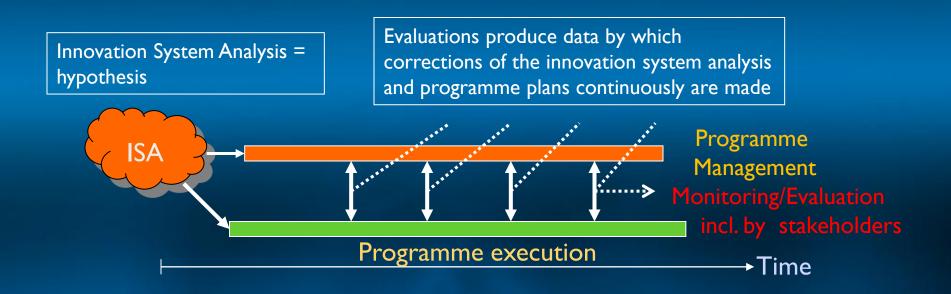


Source: OECD (2007)

Expected benefits of an PPP approach to Innovation

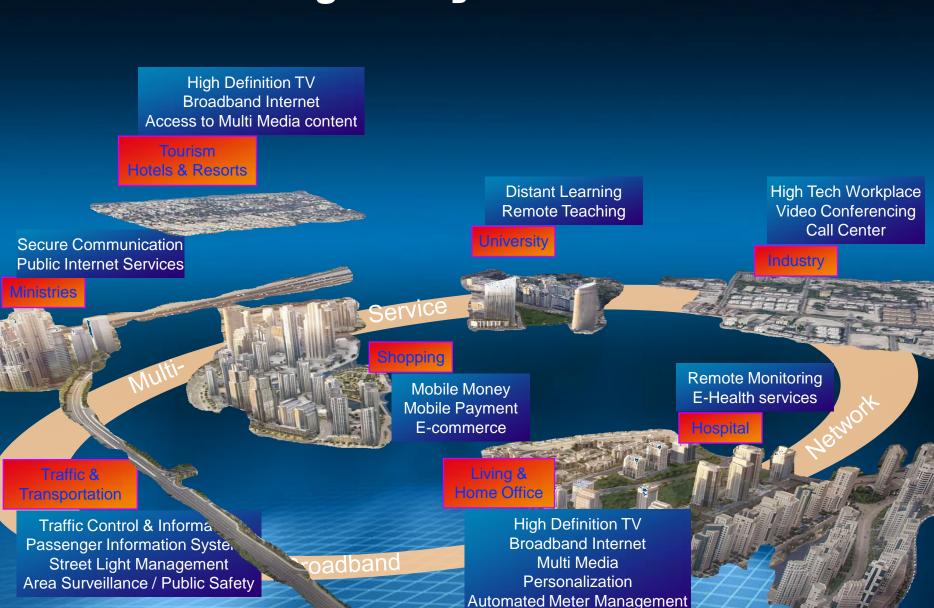


From Evaluations as Events to Learning Processes



"Timing matters"

Digital City: Overview



Smart City Framework

General purpose technologies, infrastructure and services

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

TECHNOLOGY

DIGITAL CITY [Williams, 2010]
INTELLIGENT CITY [Komninos, 2009]
UBIQUITOUS CITY [Lee, 2008]
HYBRID CITY [Streitz, 2009]

SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE

LEARNING CITY [Plumb, 2007] CREATIVE CITY [Hall, 2000] HUMANE CITY [Streitz, 2009] KNOWLEDGE CITY [Dirks, 2009]

Smart CITY

OPEN INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM [Schaffers, 2012] LIVING LABS [Pallot, 2009]

PEOPLE-PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

Practice Fields for Social Innovation

- ii) Re-use ("myrorna")
- i) Sharing economy ("kollaborativ ekonomi")
- iii) Urban Gardening (bybi)
- iv) Sustainable food production and distribution
- (happy pig, reduce thrash in the bin)
- v) Animal Welfare (Djurens rätt)
- vi) Smart City (Hyllie, Alternativ Stad)
- v) Protecting ecosystems (Kristianstad Vätterike)