

Involvement of the EUt alliance members in the development and implementation of Smart Specialisation Strategies

Thanks to strong interest and financial support from all eight of our countries and regions (who are all associated partners), we have carried out a detailed self-knowledge exercise based upon the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community (NACE rev. 2) and the Nomenclature for the Analysis and Comparison of Scientific Programmes and Budgets (NABS 2007).

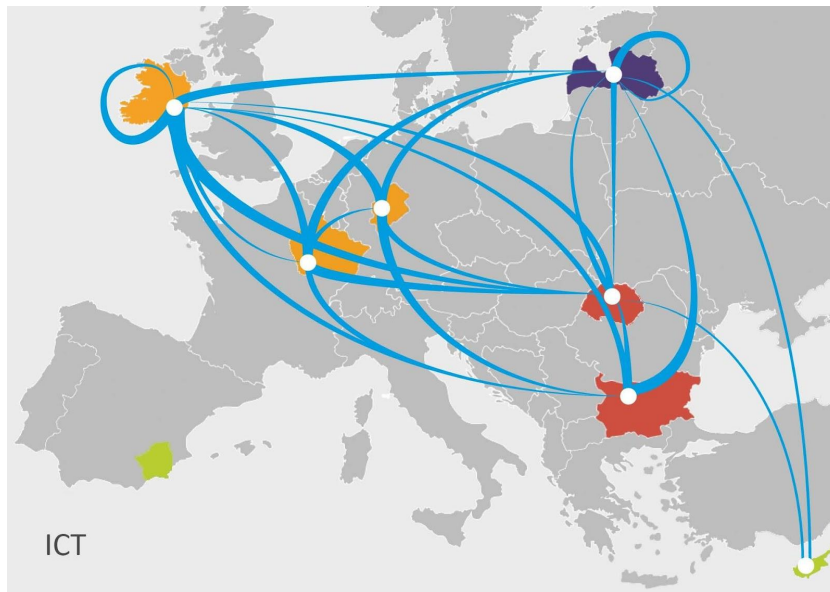
This has enabled us to map our institutional activities against the regional priorities extracted using the Eye@RIS3 instrument, which are mapped to the same classification system. This analysis clearly demonstrates the impressive potential of EUt+ for boosting the global growth of each region thanks to a macro-level approach. Indeed, whereas only 40% of our local campus priorities overlap with local regional priorities 93% of those of EUt+ as a whole do, and our super-region considers 201 of the 205 sectors defined in NACE and NABS as priorities.

The maps below illustrate the 3 examples of the contribution of our eight campuses to our eight regions priorities. In each the width of the arrow is related to the overlap intensity with low overlaps not represented.



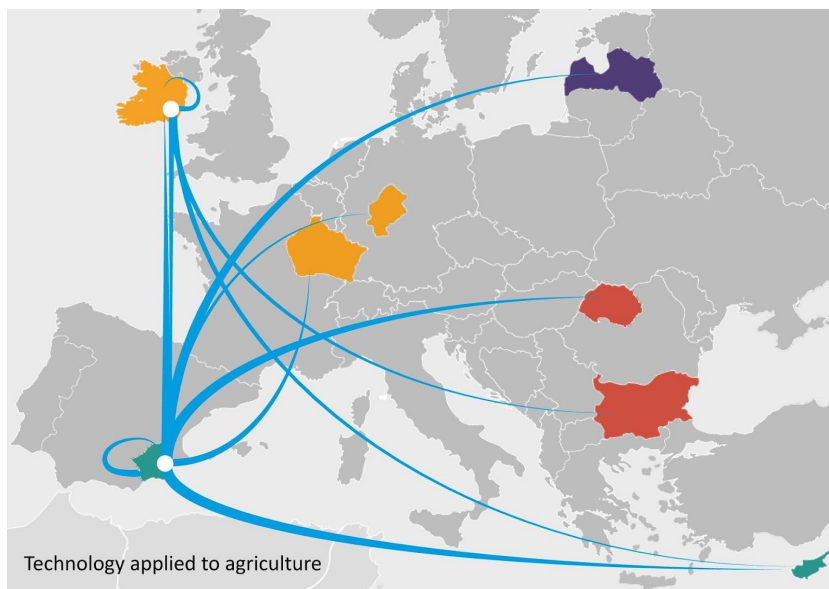
Map 1: Energy

Energy is a strongly transversal field, where all the territories are interrelated. Some campuses, such as UTCN, TUS or h_da potentially contribute to up to 4 regions, whereas regions such as Cyprus, Grand Est or Latvia can benefit from the combined know-how of up to 5 campuses.



Map 2: ICT

ICT is a broad hyper-specialized field, with many potential cross-flows between campuses and territories. Regions such as Nord-Vest could thus benefit from input from 5 other campuses. This highlights the value of creating common EU+ educational programmes that will combine the respective strengths of our universities and enable us to train professionals who better answer our territories needs.



Map 3: Agriculture

Agriculture is a very different case in which UPCT is potentially a net supplier for all the regions, thanks to their expertise in agronomic technology.