

#### Policy needs in S&T and innovation indicators Ward Ziarko – Belgian science policy office



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- The European indicator debates :
  - search for the head-line indicator;
  - Monitoring the Innovation Union (IUS)
  - Monitoring the ERA
- The OECD debates : manuals and policy debates
  - The blue sky workshop
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# Dramatic changes over the last 20 years

• Systems view widely adopted :

(All actors – all activities – linkages – outcome and impacts)

Changing landscape for innovation :

(new players – globalisation – new business strategies – knowledge intensity increased – wider importance of intangibles)

Improved analytical possibilities :

(micro-data linkages – new databases and surveys – better exploitation of existing databases (patents and bibliometrics) – administrative databases



#### Dramatic changes - 2

• Search for new knowledge on :

activities (public sector innovation, skills...), new actors (regions, networks), new technologies, etc;

Policies :

need for better measurement of wider innovation policies

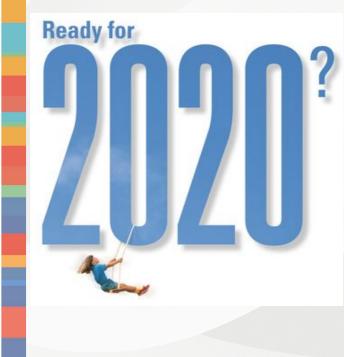


### The European debates

(and its influence on the need for STI indicators)



# From Barcelona to the EU-2020 strategy



- EU-2020 strategy : 3% target and a new target/headline indicator
- The innovation Union and the monitoring system
- ERA and indicators to monitor its progress

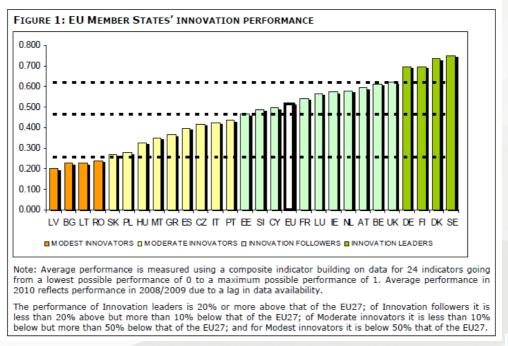


#### EU-2020 strategy

- Research : 3%-target has been confirmed
- Context has broadened : innovation and new challenges added
- Search for head-line indicator on innovation to complement the 3%-target
  - → High-growth innovative companies
  - →Innovation expenditures or similar target (to the 3% input target) was not considered trustworthy
  - →Is it feasible ?



### Monitor the "Innovation Union"





#### The indicators used

#### TABLE 1: INNOVATION UNION SCOREBOARD INDICATORS

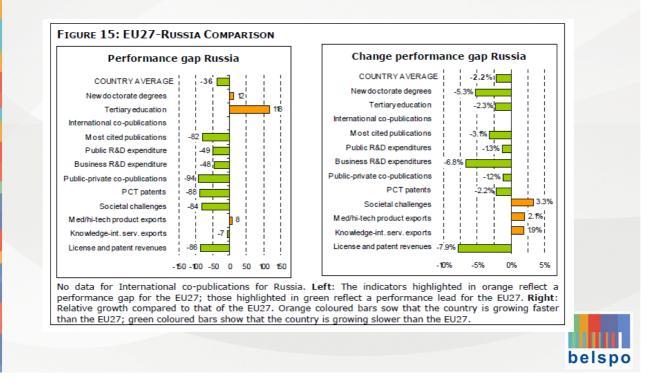
Main type / innovation dimension / indicator	Data source	Reference year(s)
ENABLERS		
Human resources		
1.1.1 New doctorate graduates (ISCED 6) per 1000 population aged 25-34	Eurostat	2004 - <u>2008</u>
1.1.2 Percentage population aged 30-34 having completed tertiary education	Eurostat	2005 – <u>2009</u>
1.1.3 Percentage youth aged 20-24 having attained at least upper secondary level education	Eurostat	2005 – <u>2009</u>
Open, excellent and attractive research systems		
1.2.1 International scientific co-publications per million population	Science Metrix / Scopus	2004 - <u>2008</u>
1.2.2 Scientific publications among the top 10% most cited publications worldwide as % of total scientific publications of the country	Science Metrix / Scopus	2003 – <u>2007</u>
1.2.3 Non-EU doctorate students <sup>3</sup> as a % of all doctorate students	Eurostat	2003 - <u>2007</u>

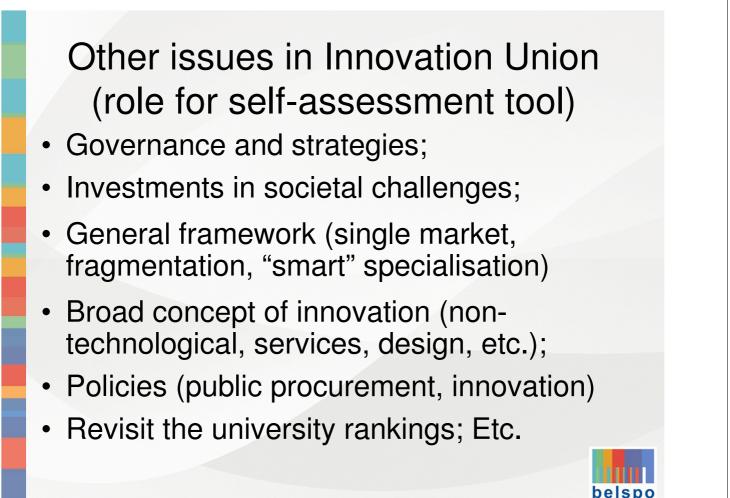


Finance and support		
1.3.1 Public R&D expenditures as % of GDP	Eurostat	2005 - <u>2009</u>
1.3.2 Venture capital (early stage, expansion and replacement) as % of GDP	Eurostat	2005 - <u>2009</u>
IRM ACTIVITIES		
Firm investments		
2.1.1 Business R&D expenditures as % of GDP	Eurostat	2005 - <u>2009</u>
2.1.2 Non-R&D innovation expenditures as % of turnover	Eurostat	2004, 2006, <u>2008</u>
Linkages & entrepreneurship		
2.2.1 SMEs innovating in-house as % of SMEs	Eurostat	2004, 2006, <u>2008</u>
2.2.2 Innovative SMEs collaborating with others as $\%$ of SMEs	Eurostat	2004, 2006, <u>2008</u>
2.2.3 Public-private co-publications per million population	CWTS / Thomson Reuters	2004 – <u>2008</u>
Intellectual assets		
2.3.1 PCT patents applications per billion GDP (in PPS€)	Eurostat	2003 - <u>2007</u>
2.3.2 PCT patent applications in societal challenges per billion GDP (in PPS€) (climate change mitigation; health)	OECD / Eurostat	2003 – <u>2007</u>
2.3.3 Community trademarks per billion GDP (in PPS€)	OHIM / Eurostat	2005 - <u>2009</u>
2.3.4 Community designs per billion GDP (in PPS€)	OHIM / Eurostat	2005 - <u>2009</u>
UTPUTS		
Innovators		
3.1.1 SMEs introducing product or process innovations as $\%$ of SMEs	Eurostat	2004, 2006, <u>2008</u>
3.1.2 SMEs introducing marketing or organisational innovations as % of SMEs	Eurostat	2004, 2006, <u>2008</u>
3.1.3 High-growth innovative firms	N/A	N/A
Economic effects		
3.2.1 Employment in knowledge-intensive activities (manufacturing and services) as % of total employment	Eurostat	2008, <u>2009</u>
3.2.2 Medium and high-tech product exports as % total product exports	UN / Eurostat	2005 – <u>2009</u>
3.2.3 Knowledge-intensive services exports as % total service exports	UN / Eurostat	2004 - <u>2008</u>
3.2.4 Sales of new to market and new to firm innovations as % of turnover	Eurostat	2004 - <u>2008</u>
3.2.5 License and patent revenues from abroad as % of GDP	Eurostat	2005 - 2009



### Benchmarking





# 3<sup>rd</sup> challenge : measure progress in building ERA ?

- ERA : European Research area = about what countries are doing together (5<sup>th</sup> freedom)
  - Money flows (institutions, joint programming,..)
  - Ideas (knowledge transfers)
  - Researchers
- But most statistics are national → ERA is about multinational activities → additional challenge



#### Concrete : the ERA framework

- joint programming of research (GBAORD)
- mobility of researchers (CDH)
- international knowledge transfer ,
- international research infrastructure,
- international collaboration (with non-EU countries),
- universities



# Some debates inside the OECD



### Long tradition in policy debates



- Series of manuals on (Research, Patents, Innovation, Human resources, Measurement of specific technologies,...)
- Continuous reflection in committees, workshops...





### Blue sky workshop

- Ottawa 2006 : policy makers, statisticians, and analysts debate the need for new STI-indicators
- Main messages :
  - Research in innovation is fragmented : the entire story needs to be understood
  - From input to output and impact
  - Importance of micro-data linking
  - Ensure the policy relevance of STI-indicators and analyses





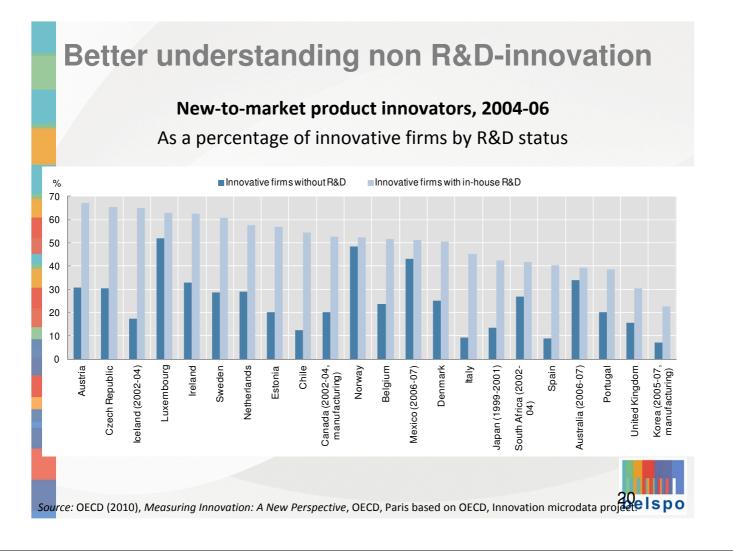


#### MEASUREMENT AGENDA FOR THE FUTURE

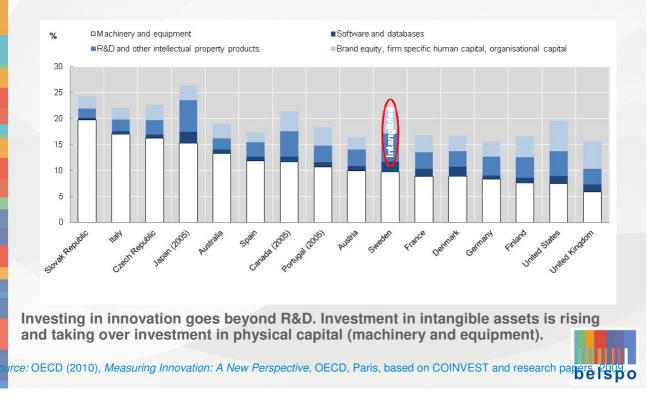
I - Improve the measurement of broader innovation and its link to macroeconomic performance (intangibles, ...)
2 - Invest in a comprehensive, high-quality data infrastructure for measuring impacts
3 - Recognise the role, and improve the measurement of, innovation in the public sector
4 - Invest in new statistical methods and interdisciplinary approaches to data collection (new tech, skills, networks...)

□ 5 - Promote measurement of innovation for social goals and of social impacts of innovation



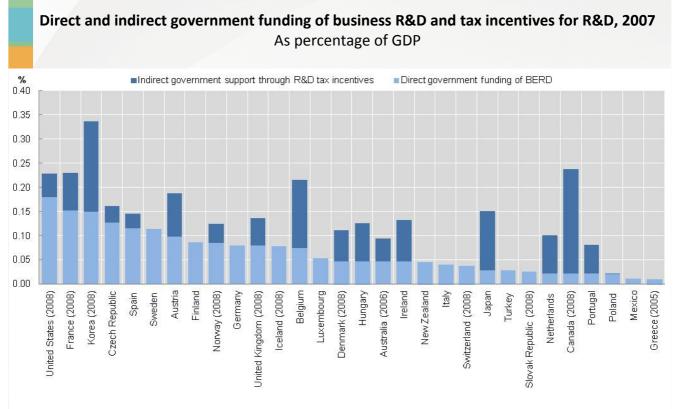


## Better understanding innovation related expenditures (intangibles)



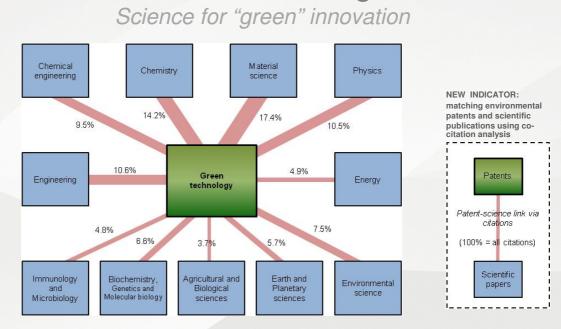
#### Investment in fixed and intangible assets as a share of GDP, 2006

#### Better understanding public support



Source: OECD (2010), Measuring Innovation: A New Perspective, OECD, Paris based on NESTI 2009 R&D tax incentives questionnaire

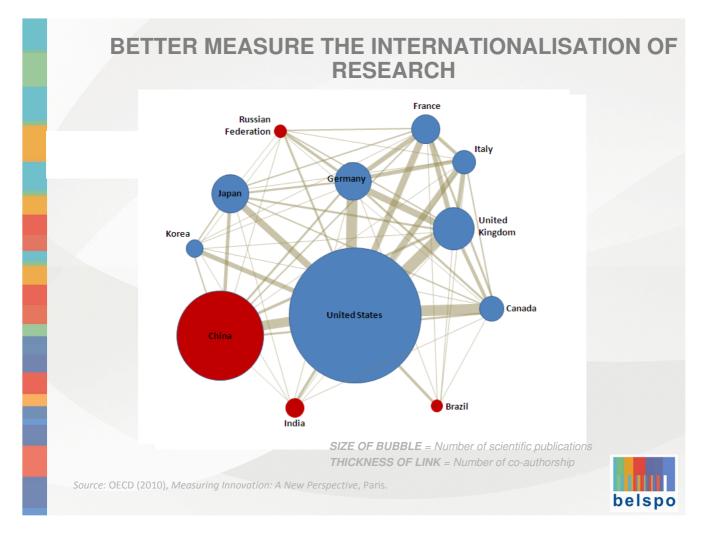
## Better measurement of societal challenges and horizontal technologies

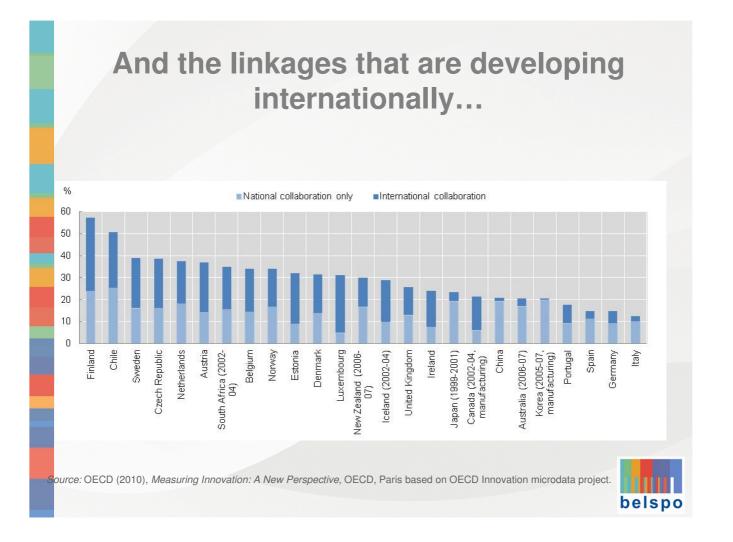


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#### Green technologies (patents) draw on a broad base of scientific knowledge

•Source: OECD (2010), Measuring Innovation: A New Perspective, based on Scopus Custom Data, Elsevier, July 2009; O Patent Database, January 2010; and EPO, Worldwide Patent Statistical Database, September 2009. The list of environme patent applications has been generated through a search algorithm developed by the OECD and EPO (European Patent O

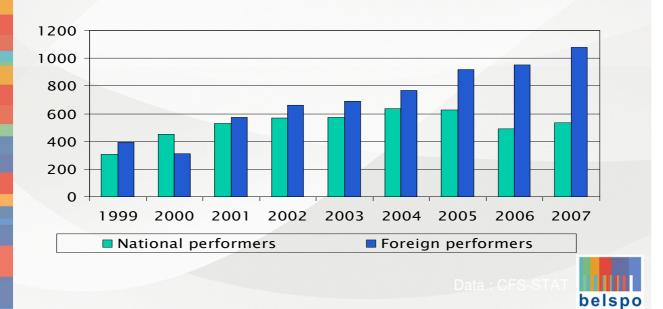


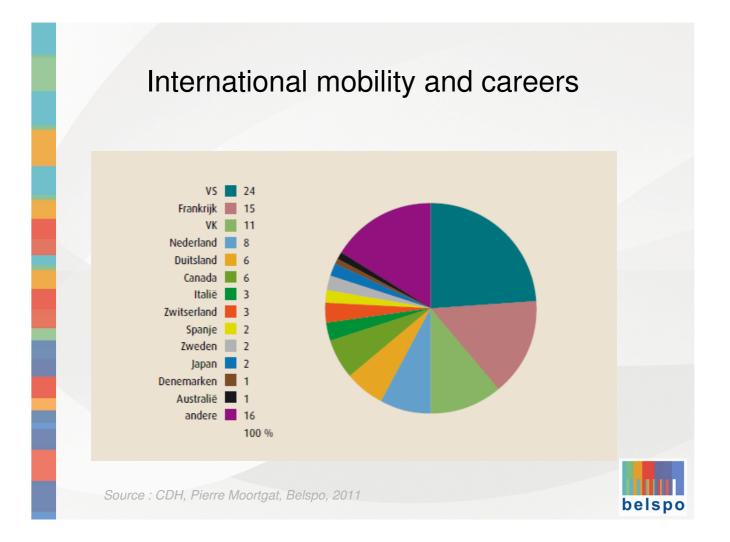


#### Knowledge flows

#### Subcontracting : nationally and internationally

Business Enterprise in Belgium: extramural R&D expenditure per performer in million constant euro





# But policy makers also insist on a reliable measurement framework

#### Data must be reliable and comparable

•Complexity of issue : measuring research or innovation; innovation expenditures; services;

•Methodological complexity (role of definitions, coverage of the population, role of the need for administrative simplification and reduction of response burden, etc.

•Methods differ (mandatory, administrative data vs surveys, samples or register, etc. )

Revision of Frameworks is being undertaken

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#### Other relevant issues in the debate

- How to measure research and innovation in national or international networks ?
- Quid multinationals ?
- Knowledge flows between sectors (national and internationally)
- Capitalisation of R&D in national accounts is starting
- What link between input and output (which is covered in other manuals) and outcome/impact of research
- Measuring knowledge intensity



#### Wrapping up : key issues for a policy analyst

- Innovation :
  - Understanding innovation beyond research;
  - Innovation expenditures;
  - Measuring government efforts;
- Knowledge
  - Intangibles
  - Capitalisation of research in the national accounts
  - Services sector : research vs innovation
  - New technologies (horizontal or emerging)



## Wrapping up (2)

- People : intersectoral mobility, careers,...
- Internationalisation : mobility of people, knowledge, money, international infrastructure building;
- Policies : measurement of policies beyond research or education
- Public sector innovation (procurement, ...)
- Linkages between research actors





