

HOW TO COORDINATE MULTIPLE **EIT KIC** OPERATIONS IN A LARGE UNIVERSITY AND HOW TO MANAGE THE RISKS

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THE BIG PICTURE

- EIT = European Institute of Innovation & Technology
 - part of Horizon2020 programme
 - headquarters in Budapest
- EIT finances KICs = Knowledge and Innovation Communities
 - thematic communities
 - bringing together actors of the knowledge triangle: business (including SMEs), education institutions, research centres, cities, regions and NGOs
- Objective is to develop innovative solutions to societal challenges, create growth and skilled jobs



EIT Knowledge and Innovation Communities

EIT Climate-KIC 2010



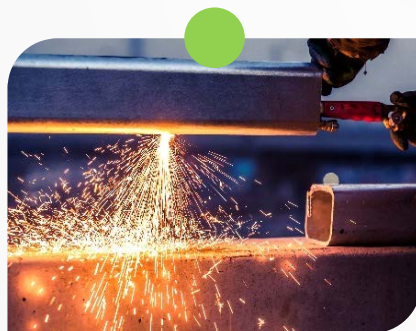
EIT Digital 2010



EIT InnoEnergy 2010



EIT Raw Materials 2014



EIT Health 2014



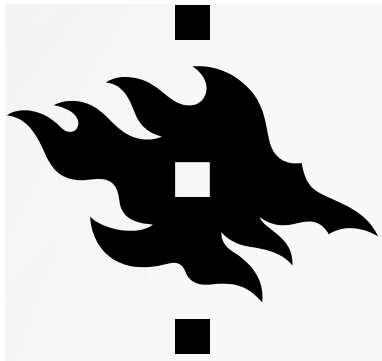
EIT Food 2016





COMPLEXITY OF EIT KICS

- Huge Europe-driven communities
- Independent legal entities
- Regional co-location centres (CLCs)
- Variable organisation structures, variable administration, different terminology
- Different funding calls and different call deadlines, different on-line systems, finance details vary, reporting varies, legal documents vary, ...



HOW TO COORDINATE MULTIPLE EIT KICS

- Adequate resources, for instance EIT KIC back office
 - responsible person for each KIC or
 - responsible person for each pillar: innovation, entrepreneurship, education (+communication and RIS)
- Academic counterpart in each EIT KIC
- Close collaboration with researchers and end-users/stakeholders
- Communicate & make yourself known
- Prioritise



RISK MANAGEMENT IDEALLY

- Risk register (risk – likelihood – impact – risk description – mitigation)
- Ownership defined (who is responsible for managing risks)
- Internal processes and guidelines defined and operational
- Formal agreements in place

