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Wissensmanagement als Innovationstreiber

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Enabling Processes and Knowledge Management



Agenda

- **KM principles in Siemens**

- **Using KM to drive Innovation**
 - Knowledge Management
 - Innovation Management
 - Knowledge Innovation Management

- **Open issues for Research**

A journey to the fog lands ...



Knowledge, Learning and Strategy

Basics for Knowledge and Knowledge Management (KM)

action perspective of all knowledge workers*

- Learn from the things you do and improve your operations fast and effective
- Learn from your colleagues all over the world and multiply your knowledge across operations
- Learn from your customers, partners & competitors and innovate in a smart way

system perspective of the KM organization

Support learning by excellent socio-technical KM systems enabling

- knowledge sharing (focus: existing knowledge)
- knowledge creation (focus: new knowledge)

strategic perspective of the business owner

Improve the way of knowledge working in your business focused by your business strategy and orchestrated across your partners and staff functions:

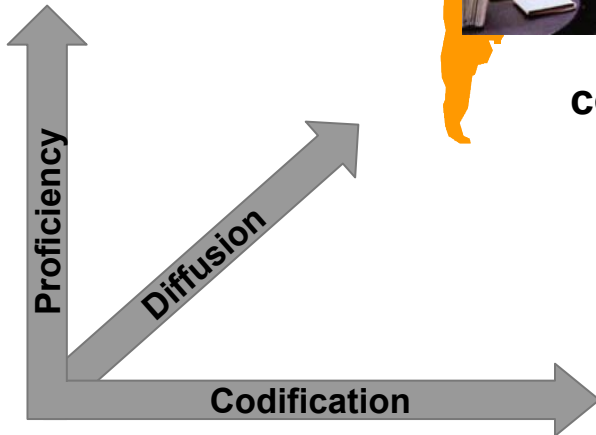
- coordinate adequate proficiency building
- enable effective knowledge diffusion
- achieve efficient knowledge codification

A powerful model: The three dimensions of knowledge

... the capability for effective action of /in...



e.g. the CoC-manager and his top experts



e.g. the teams and the world-wide community of practice



the communities of suppliers, partners and customers

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Knowledge Actions and the role of KM and InnoM

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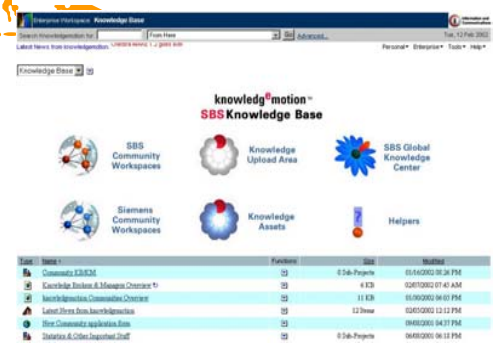


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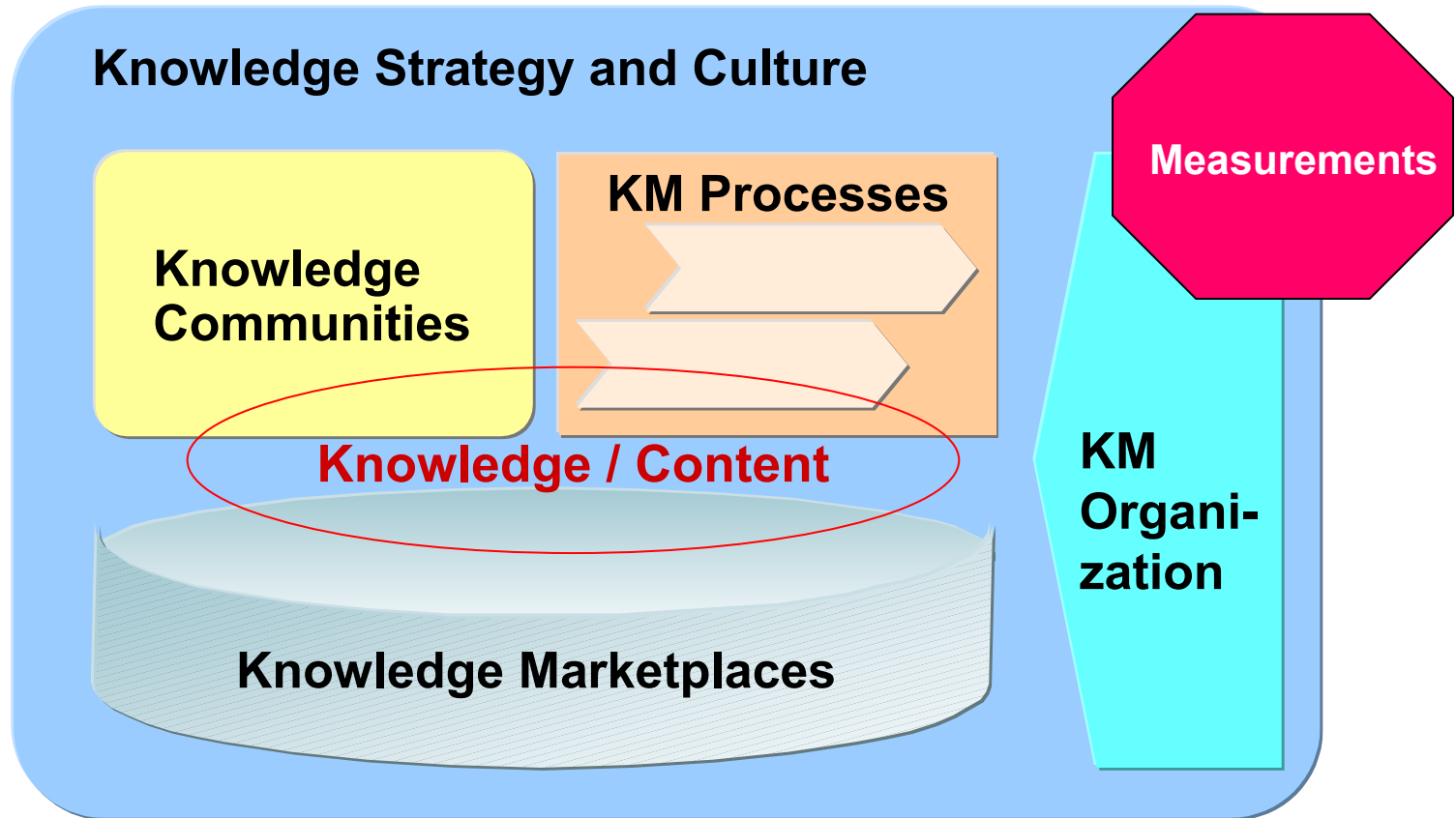
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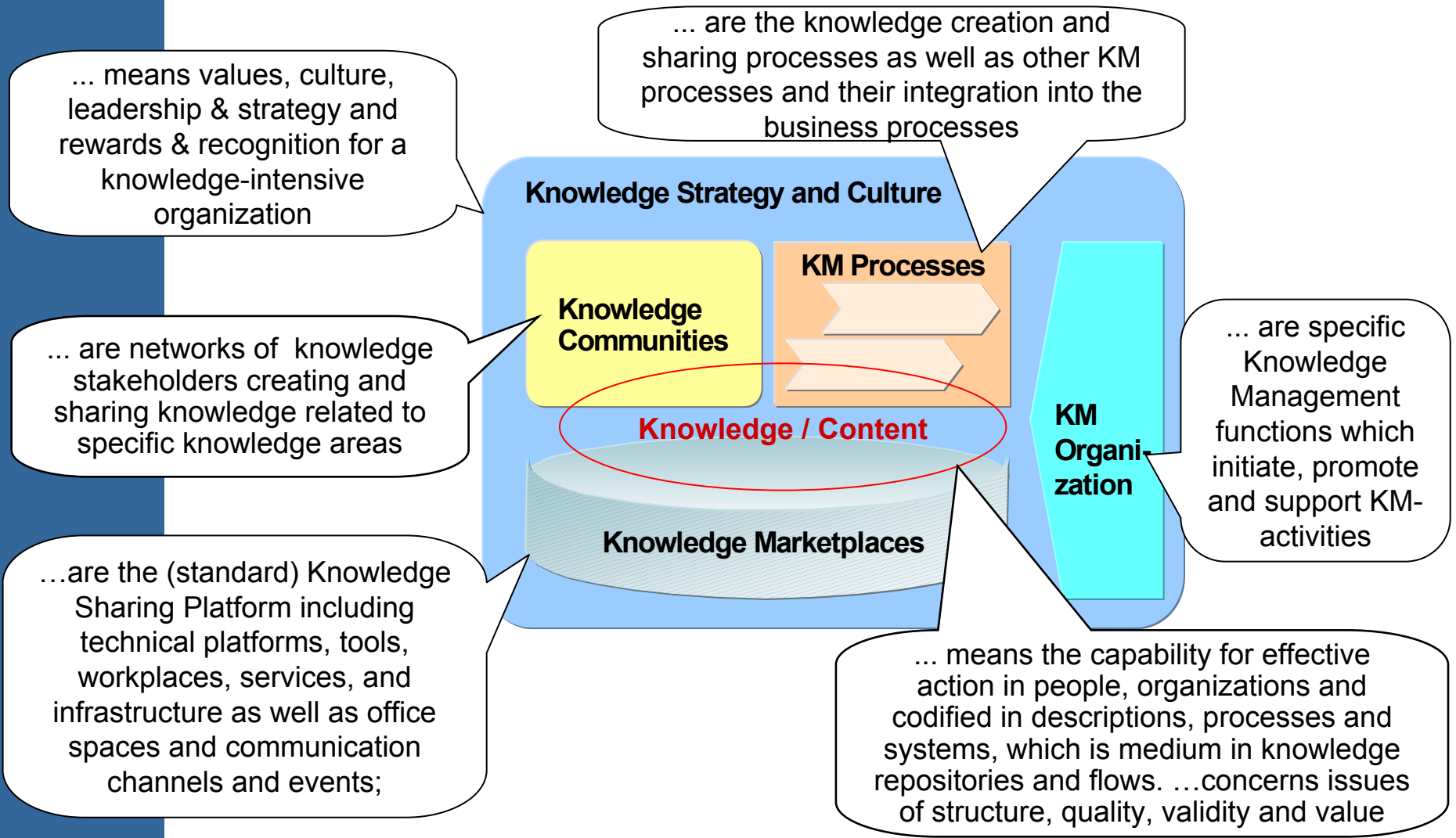


Integrating KM into business means implementation and integration work in all six dimensions coherently driven by a KM Roadmap



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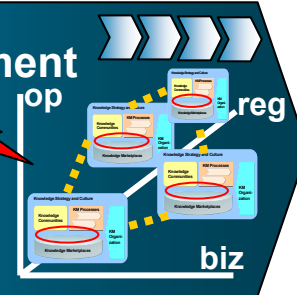
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(3) Knowledge Innovation Management

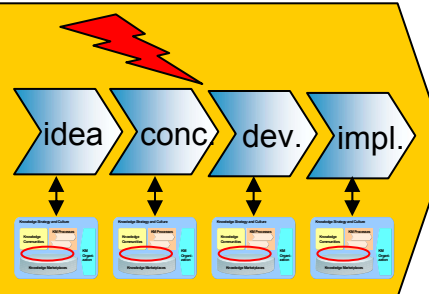
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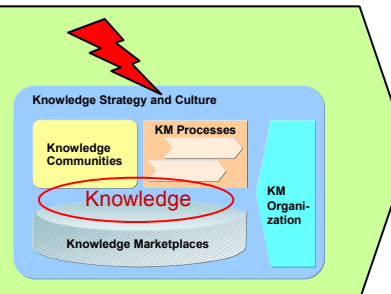
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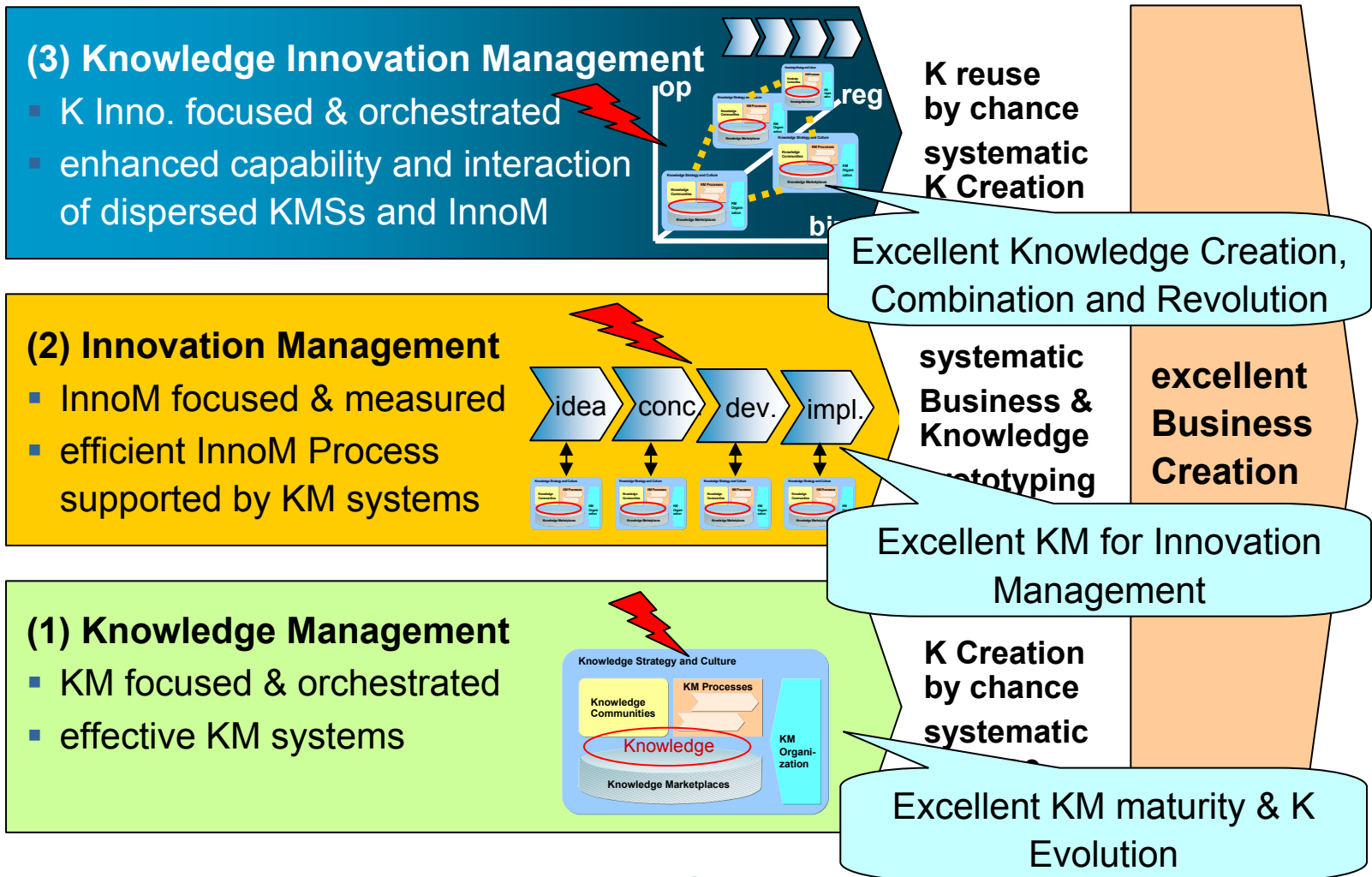
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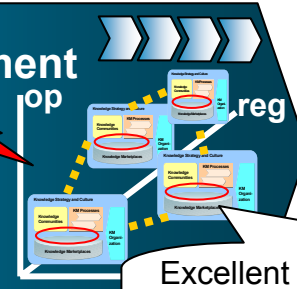
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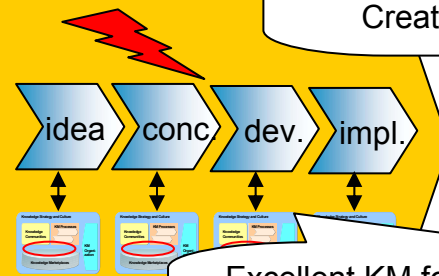


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Excellent "Knowledge Innovation". World-class capability and environment for Knowledge Creation, Combination and Revolution

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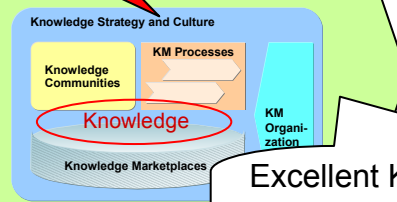
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Excellent KM for Innovation Management. State-of-the-art KM instruments and solutions specifically in Innovation Management processes and organizations

(1) Knowledge Management

- KM focused & orchestrated
- effective KM systems



**K Creation
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Excellent KM maturity & K Evolution. "Siemens knows what Siemens knows" – appropriate, self-optimizing knowledge repositories and knowledge processes

(1) Effective socio-technical KM systems

KM state indicators for March 2003

Overview from the top 4 group initiatives and from corporate activities:

- Communities of Practice (CoP): >1500, including >250 cross-group or corporate, >90,000 community members
- Knowledge Marketplaces on team/org unit/group/corp. level with >75,000 users and >250,000 knowledge objects (codified knowledge shared as documents)
- KM organization:
 - 6 full-/part-time experts on corporate level
 - ~25 full-/part-time KM drivers on group, region, central unit level
 - >1000 part-time KM supporters (moderators, facilitators, ..)
 - CoP KM: ~300 members; CoP Innovation Mngt.: ~90 members

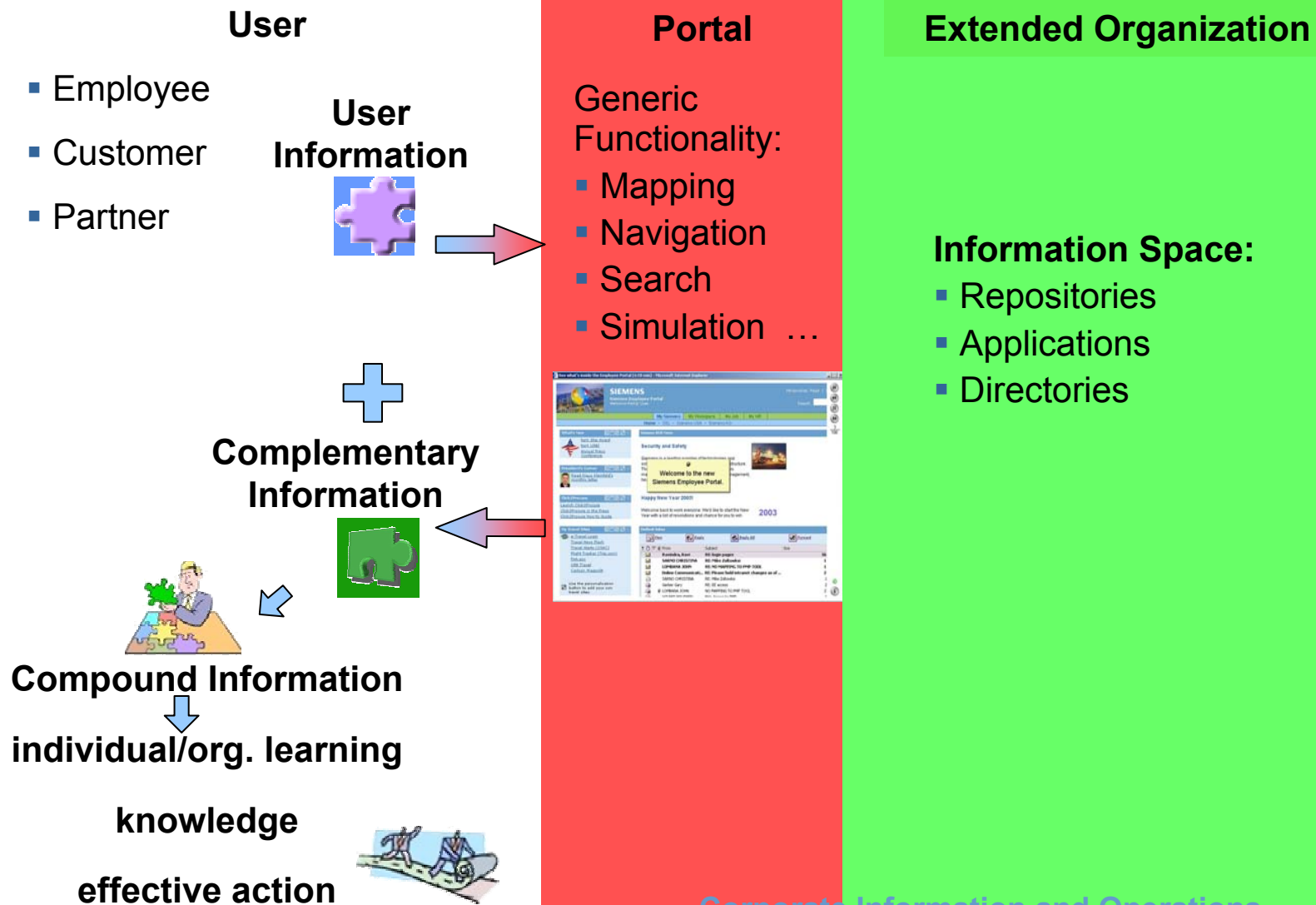


Example: KnowledgeSharing@MED

- ▶ Communities of Practice: >650 with >7000 members worldwide
- ▶ Expert locator system >1800 Knowledge Profiles
- ▶ Knowledge Marketplaces: >9000 users in 65 countries
>20,000 knowledge objects, >7000 downloads/month

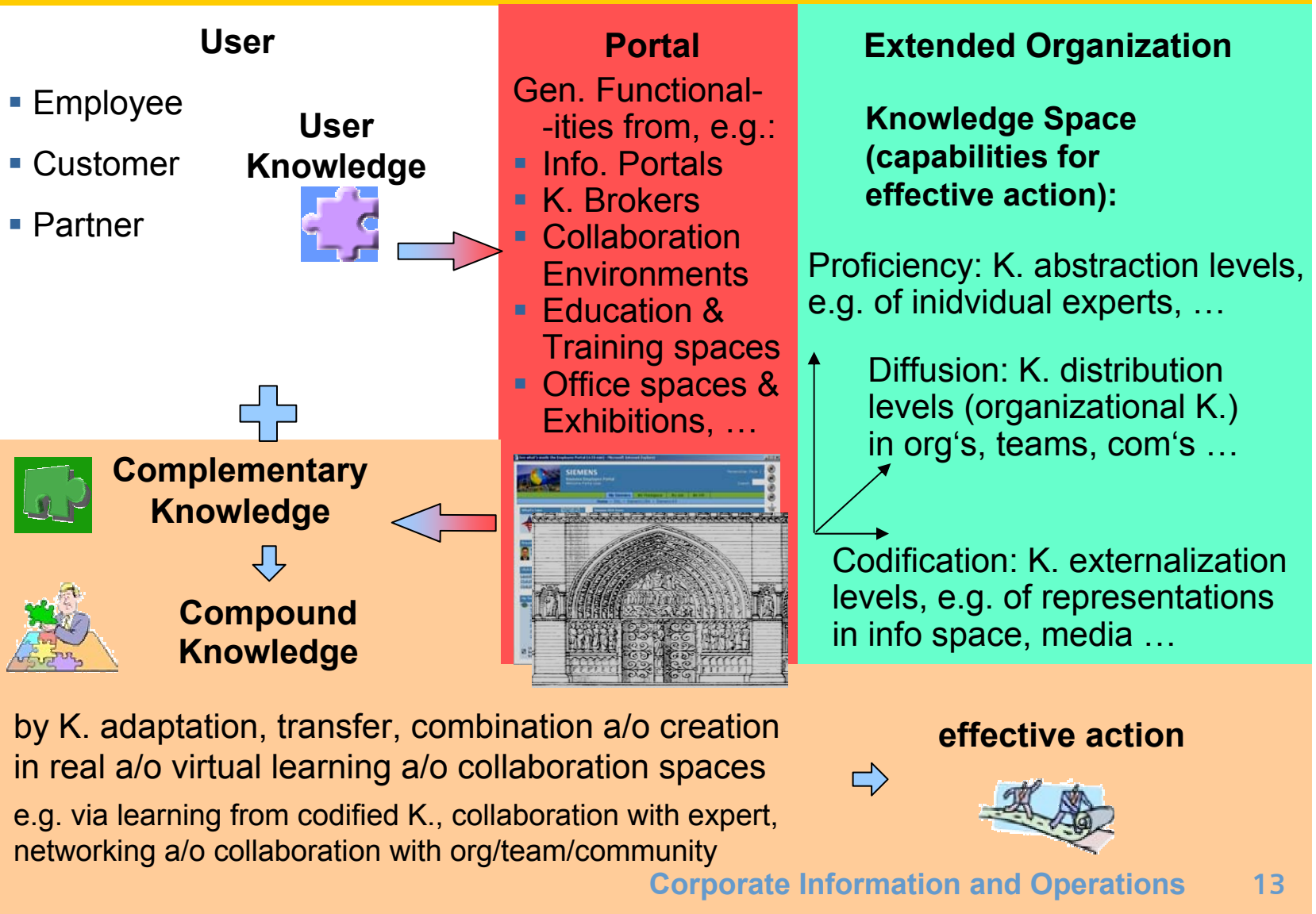
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Information Portal: basic information flow v1



Knowledge Portal: basic knowledge flow
 socio-technical system perspective

v1



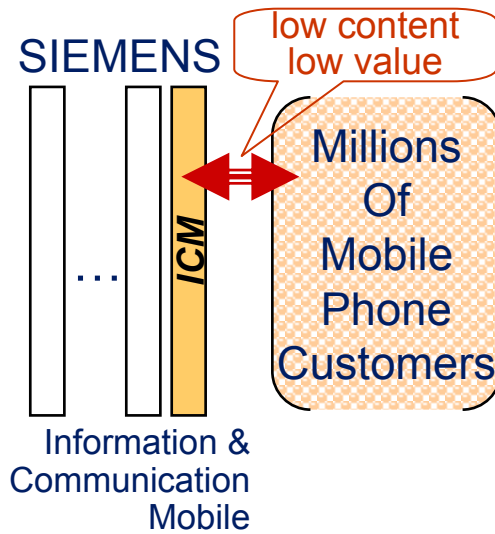
(1&2) Learning / innovating with Customers and Partners

Effective interfaces for customer knowledge flows

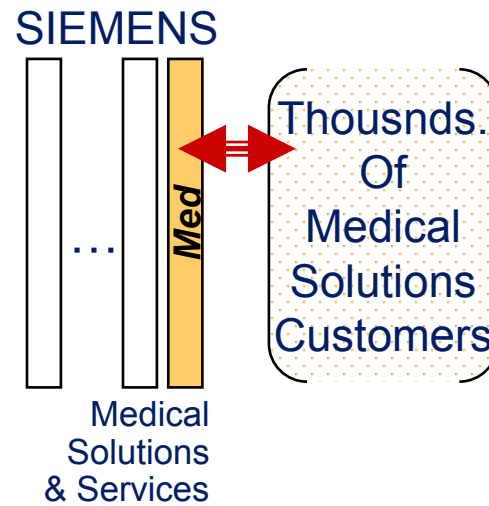


Knowledge flows

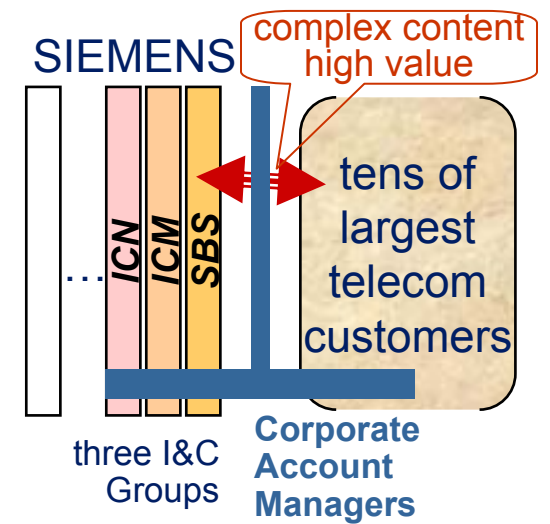
- using/creating Relationship Capital
- creating opportunities and value



Filtering for knowledge nuggets in customer responses

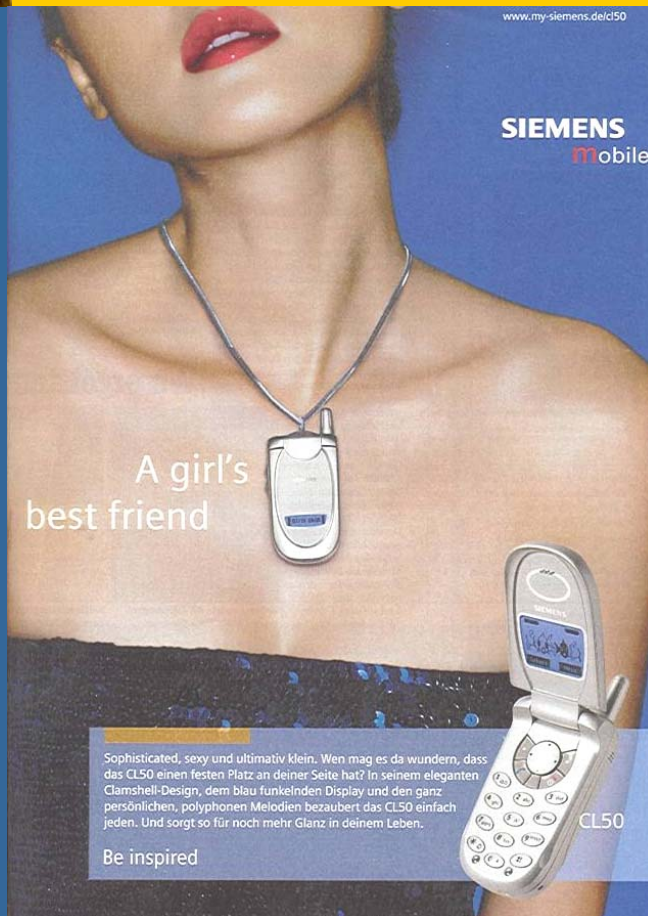


Knowledge Sharing with customers in extranet-supported communities



Optimizing complex K. flows via Knowledge Strategy for Account Mngt. organization

Filtering for knowledge nuggets in customer responses Information & Communication Mobile, ICM MP CCQ



Innovation examples:

- smaller mobile phone for ladies
- ear to carry mobile on a ribbon

More than 74 worldwide, local service org.'s:

- technical support
- service management

7 Call Centers supporting the world-wide ICM market

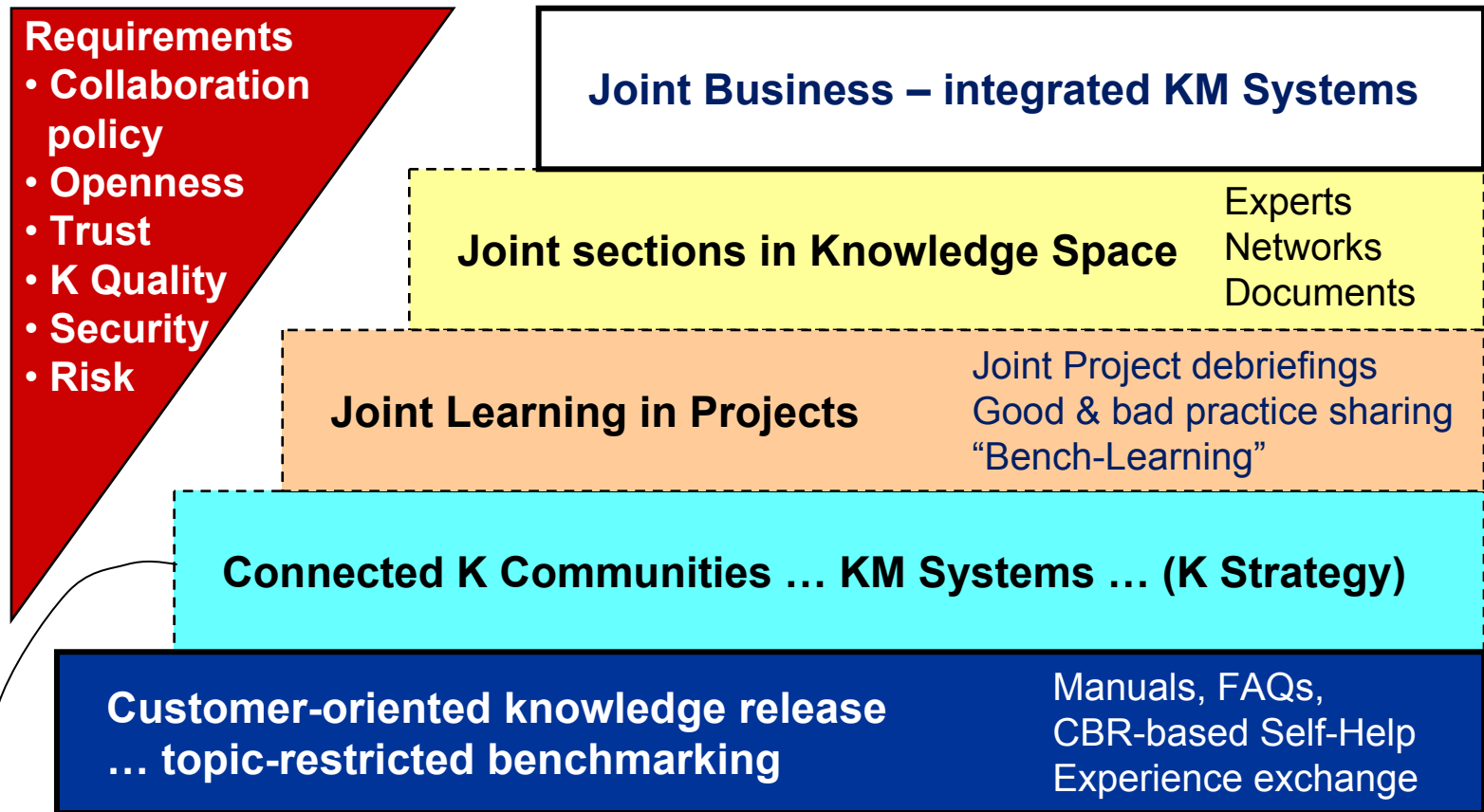
- ~ 5 million calls/year
- > 200,000 e-mails/year
- ~ 27,000 written inquiries/year in Germany
- ~ mass of conversations in shops

KM approaches:

- structured and integrated communication from/to the customer (website, FAQ's, ...)
- concept mining and knowledge-tree-based organization and message routing
- diagnosis knowledge base
- integrated proficiency building (academy,...)



New Increased Knowledge Intimacy with the customer/partner Example: Extra-net based collaboration in joint Knowledge Communities (Med)

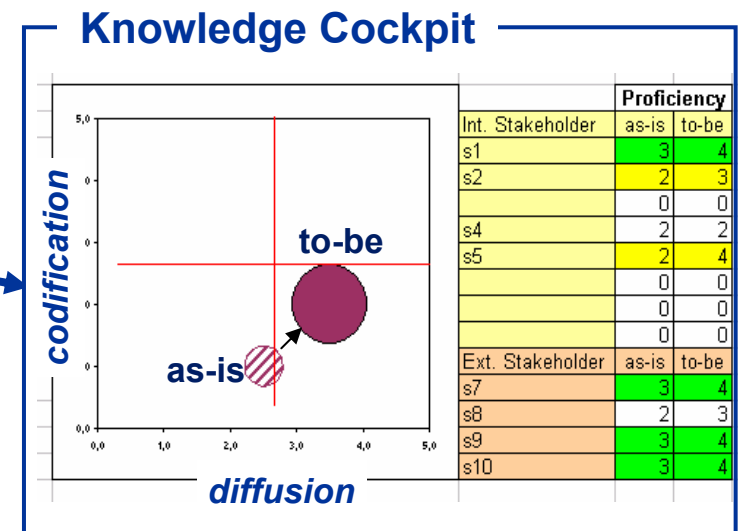
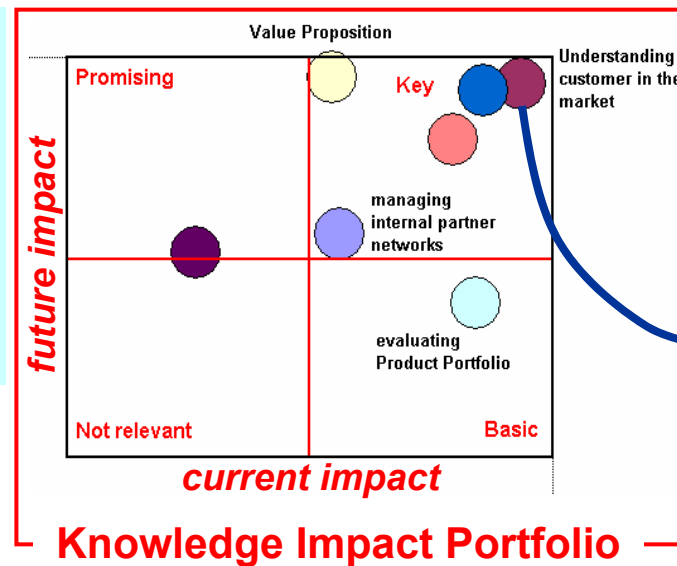


Siemens Med: currently 13 extranet-based communities for the extended organization with ~300 members (50/50). Cost and time savings in Process Mngt. and Project Mngt. e.g. for Shared Services. High potential for knowledge creation/innovation expected

Optimizing complex knowledge flows via Knowledge Strategy Process Example: Corporate Account Management organization

Key Performance Indicators:

- Client success and satisfaction
- Org. performance
- Employee satisfaction



Action proposals to improve knowledge work

P: Experten von Corp. Function einladen, Methodik diskutieren und Methodentransfer durchführen lassen

P: Benchmarking mit anderen Firmen die nicht direkt Konkurrenten sind, z.B DaimlerChrysler

D: Mit Kunden reden, persönliche Kontakte ausbauen

all: Mit s7/s8 eine Wissensgemeinschaft aufbauen, im ersten Schritt feststellen wo welches Wissen vorhanden ist und dann einen

C: Gemeinsame Checkliste zur Einschätzung der Wettbewerbssituation erarbeiten (Input von CD?)

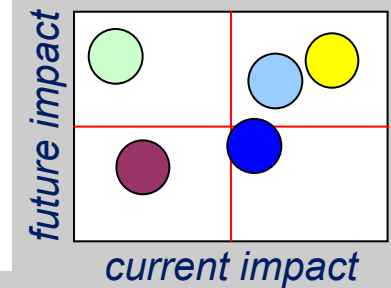
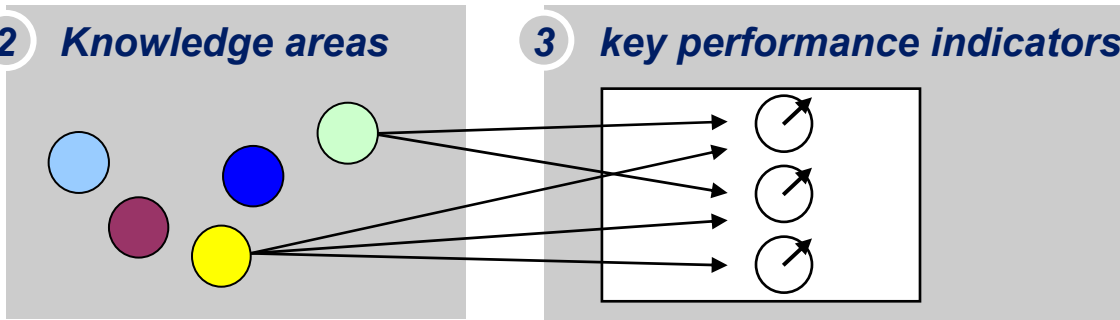
**Knowledge
Actionplan
execution**

The Siemens-CIBIT Knowledge Strategy Process (KSP) Top-down process with six steps and results

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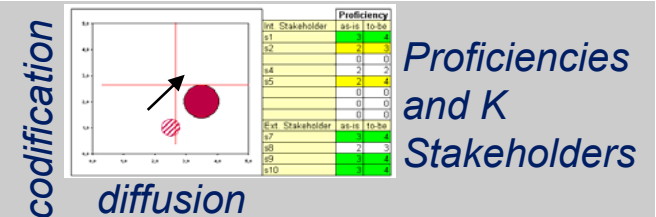
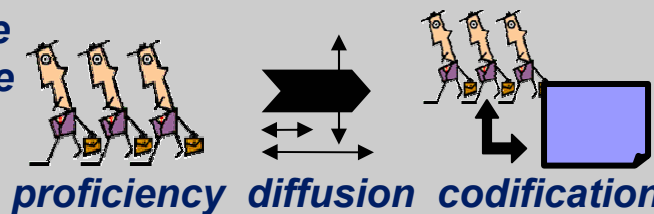
2 **Knowledge areas**

3 **key performance indicators**



4 **Knowledge Portfolio**

5 **Knowledge State Guide**



6 **Improvement Action Proposals**
Bus. perspective

Consolidation & Integration of actions

Knowledge Action Plan, Execution & Solution Strategy
enriched by state-of-the-art KM

This approach has originally been developed by
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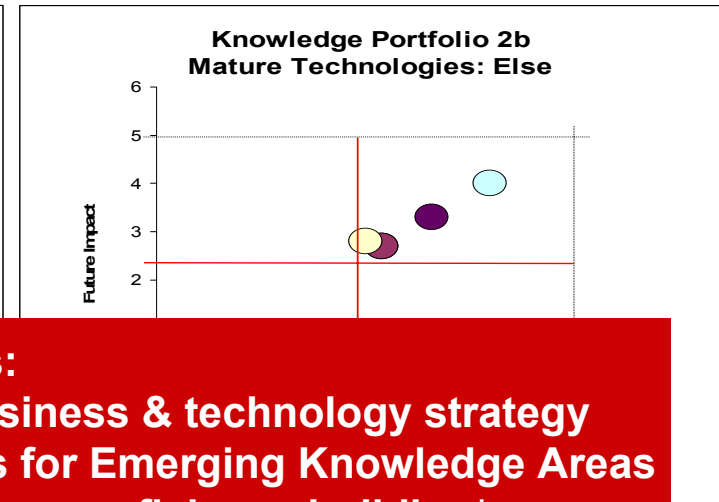
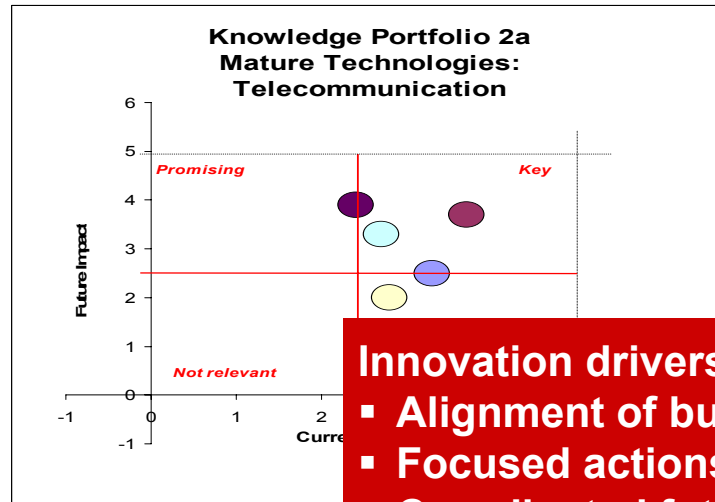
Business Improvement Projects execution and controlling

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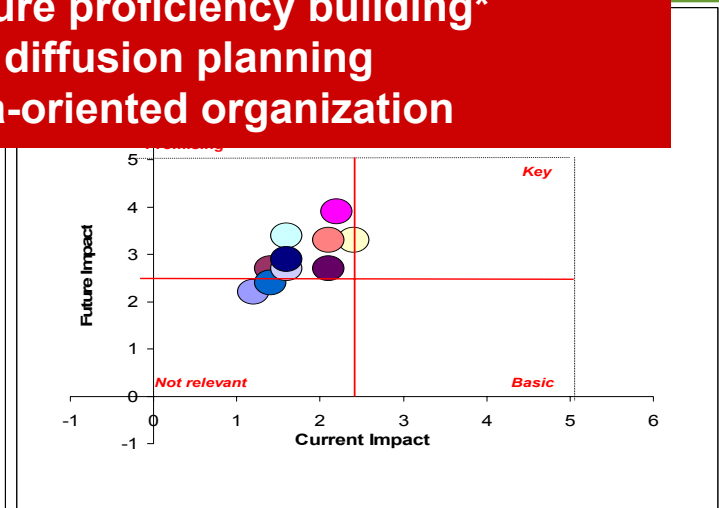
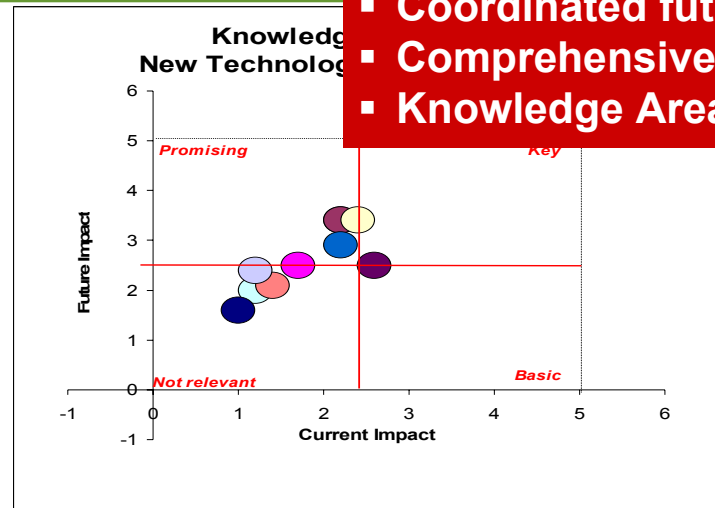


Knowledge Strategy driving innovation
Example: RD&E org - Knowledge Portfolios for Mature and New Technologies

Mature Technologies



New Technologies



- Innovation drivers:**
- Alignment of business & technology strategy
 - Focused actions for Emerging Knowledge Areas
 - Coordinated future proficiency building*
 - Comprehensive diffusion planning
 - Knowledge Area-oriented organization

* CEOs identified a lack of implementation resources as a key constraint to innovation. Accenture Survey Aug/Sept. 02



(3) Knowledge Innovation ??

- Underlying each business innovation there is new knowledge (K) due to a mix of knowledge combination, adaptation and creation
- How to achieve faster and more focused “Knowledge Revolution”?
Analogy: Knowledge Revolution in a Restaurant: Nouvelle Cuisine – Fusion ...
- “...Supply orchestration and innovation orchestration ...: You must become more than an active player, you must become a 'knowledge-shaper'. Dr. Erkki Ormala, Sr. Vice President and Director of Technology Policy, NOKIA
- Learn more/faster from and with the world, i.e. tapping systematically/in new ways into external/internal knowledge sources, mobilize and transfer sticky, complex knowledge to operations

Examples:

- R&D/Usability Labs in various cultures
- multiple expertise & multiple perspective melding methods: XENIA, ...
- thought models as magnets: Pictures of the Future, Research Corridors, ...
- Knowledge Community Breeding: PSE’s Technology Development, ...
- ...



Supporting the individual knowledge worker to probe the world

The knowledge community / technology breeding process from Call-for-Network to Complete Integration into business

	Who can create it?	task	role in techn. mgmt	participants
Call for Network	everybody	find partner for an Interest Net	awareness of new technology	-
Interest Net	everybody	know each other	contributes to the TM of the subject	voluntarily
Expert Net	OK from Contr.-Board necessary	work together (consulting...)	Recognized TM-experts for the subject	more committed
Support Center	OK from head of PSE necessary	strategic PSE-institution	Established TM-instance for the subject	Core team + network
Complete Integration				

Driving and measuring the knowledge (community) maturity by TechnoWeb (Siemens PSE, Austria)

List of Technologies

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

320 Technologies

List A-Z
Search
Objectives

PSE
TechnoWeb

Technologies	Links	Partnership	Tools	Evaluation	Application	Coaching	Consulting	Workshops	Literature	Helpdesk	Trainings	Projects	Best Practice	Miscellaneous	Supported by
Agententechnologie	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	4 Networks
Application Server	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	3 Networks
Architektur	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	2 Networks
ASP	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	Call for Network
Aspect-oriented Programming	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	Support Center
ATM	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	😊	2 Networks
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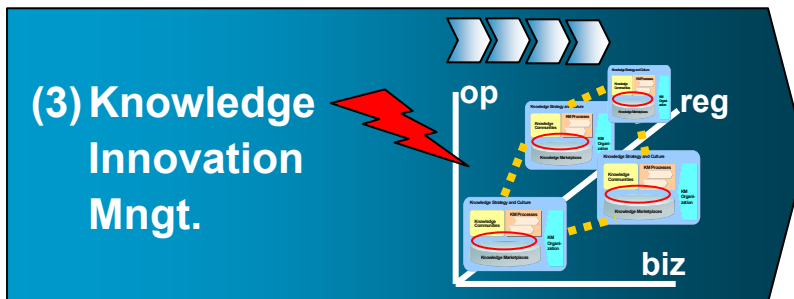
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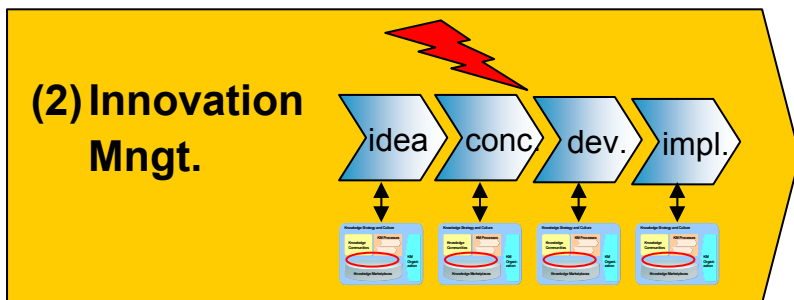
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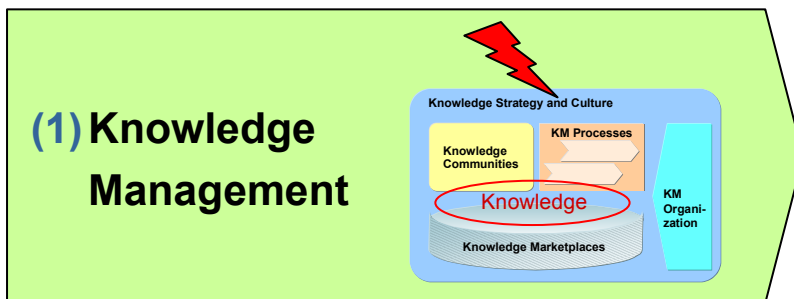
Developing capabilities, systematics and environment, e.g. for:

- sense-mobilize-deliver new K for innovations
- guided K revolution
- external K shaping



Optimizing interaction of KM and Innovation Mngt., e.g.:

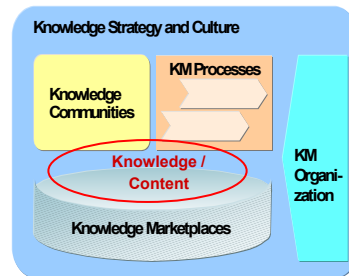
- K Community-driven innovation
- “K Intimacy” with customers
- integrated processes & strategies



Integrating KM systems into business infrastructure and organization, e.g.:

- K Communities landscapes
- K Marketplaces & K Portals
- K Quality & Value
- K-oriented enterprise organization

Integrating KM systems into business infrastructure and organization: major issues

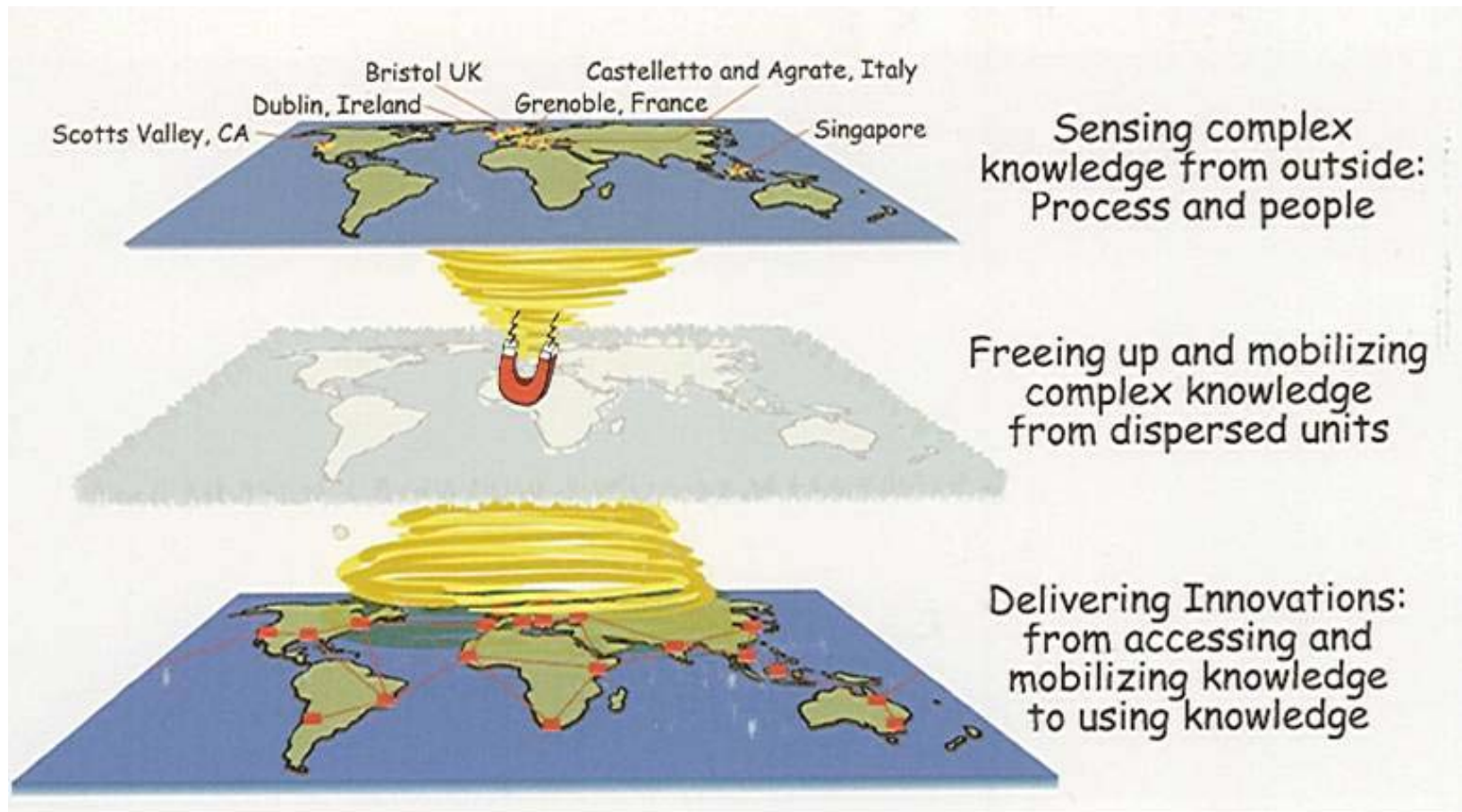


existing
business infrastructure & organization

- Knowledge communities ↔ formal organization
- Knowledge marketplaces ↔ I&C infrastructure
- Knowledge/KM processes ↔ business processes
- Knowledge-friendly culture ↔ company principles and culture of leadership and collaboration
- Knowledge structures & quality ↔ information and content management
- KM organization ↔ formal organization, esp. staff functions like Strategy, HR, IT, Org./Process/Quality, Innovation
- Knowledge Strategy ↔ business strategy & measurements



Managing Global Innovations: Learning from the World
 INSEAD Research/Yves Doz: <http://www.metanational.net/conference2.htm>



Process details and many business cases, see also *From Global to Metanational: How companies win in the Knowledge Economy*, Harvard Business School Press, 2001



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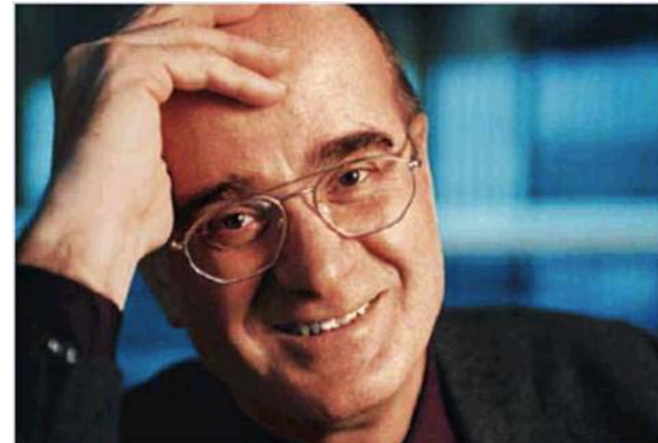
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Further Readings on Siemens KM

Current Siemens KM books:

- T. Davenport, G. Probst (eds): Siemens KM Case Book, 2nd edition, Wiley/Publicis, 2002

Books with Siemens Contributions:

- M. Bellmann, et al (Hrsg): Praxishandbuch Wissensmanagement, Symposium, 2002
- C. W. Holsapple: Handbook on KM, Springer, 2002
- Ulrich Reimer, et al (eds.): WM2003: Professionelles Wissensmanagement – Erfahrungen und Visionen, GI-Edition, Lecture Notes in Informatics, 2003