

# Energy Efficient Buildings: Sustainable Technologies for Avant-garde Housing Systems



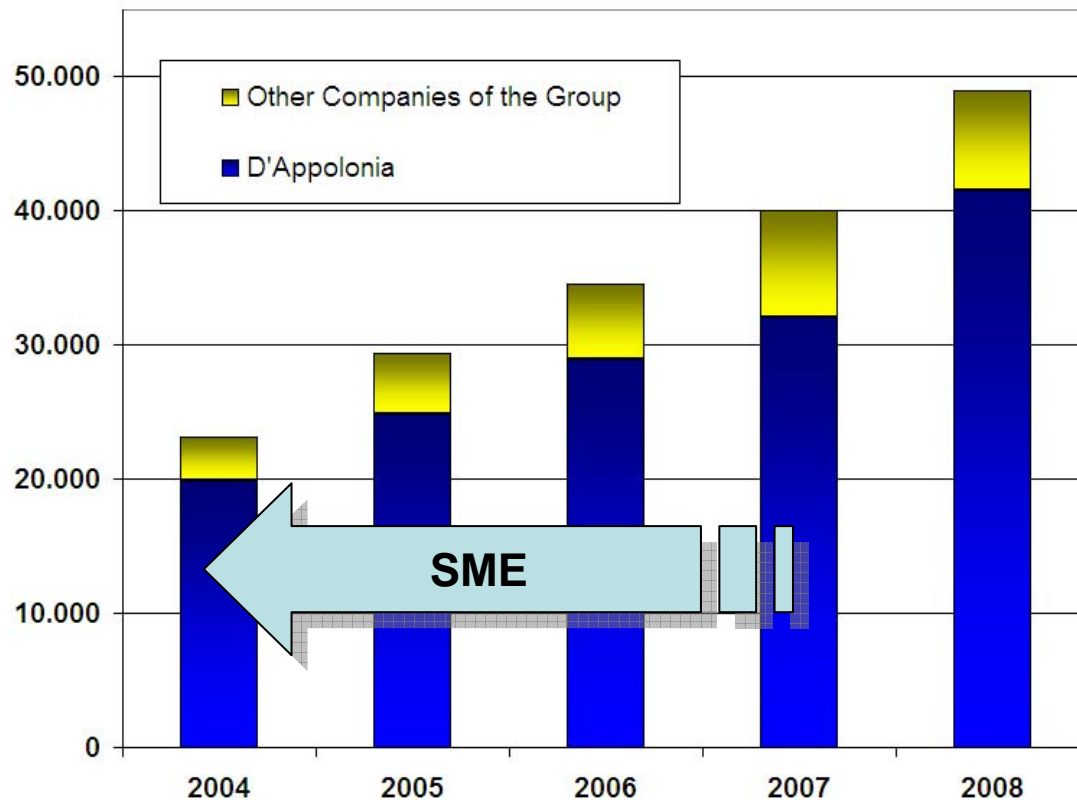
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# THE COMPANY AT A GLANCE

D'Appolonia is an **engineering and innovation consulting company** which provides high added value services to government and industry, covering the whole project life cycle from research and feasibility studies to project management, commissioning and maintenance.



## Production:

- D'Appolonia S.p.A.: 41.5 M€ (estimate for 2008)
- D'Appolonia Group : 49 M€ (estimate for 2008)

## Staff D'Appolonia Group:

- about 450 people

## Staff D'Appolonia S.p.A.:

- 290 people, 85% with a scientific degree
- 25% of engineering personnel also granted a MSc or PhD

# COMPANY ACTIVITIES



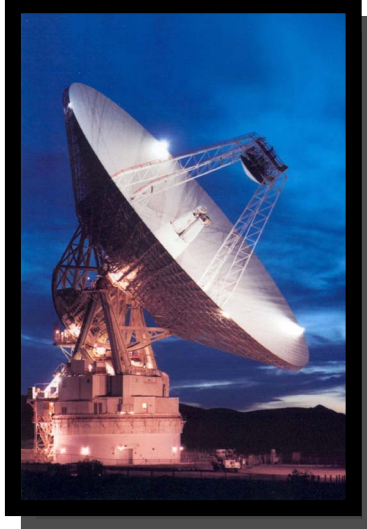
Oil & Gas



Transportation



Construction



Space & Security

1956



Specialistic Engineering  
Nuclear Power Plants



Today

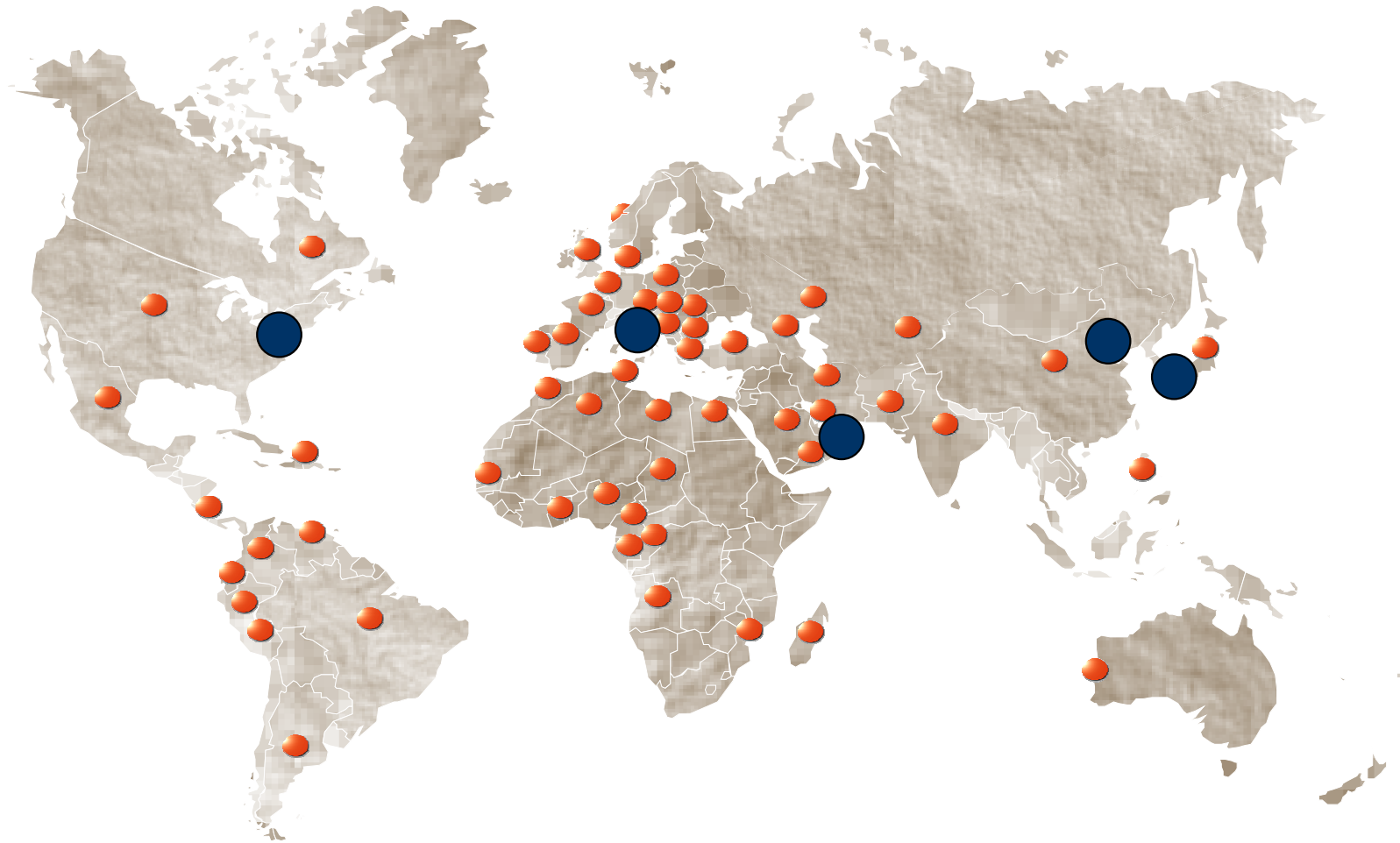


Innovation



Energy and Climate Change

# OFFICES & PROJECT LOCATIONS



- Main operating offices
- Project and representative offices

# THE RATIONALE FOR US TO DEAL WITH E2Bs



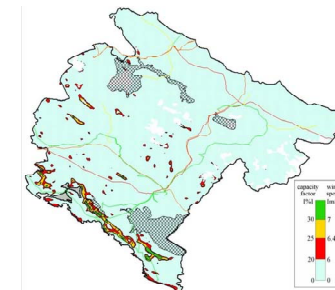
WIND POWER INSTALLATION  
VITERBO (Italy)



SMALL HYDRO POWER PLANTS  
Southern Serbia and Montenegro



LANDFILL GAS RECOVERY AND  
REUSE - YINCHUAN, HANDAN,  
HAIKOU, ANYANG SITES (PRC)



MAPPING AND ASSESSMENT  
OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY  
Montenegro

## Common theme across our different business divisions:

- Several industrial contracts on Sustainability and Climate Change, Energy Efficiency and the Built Environment
- Currently active in main international collaborative research projects in E2Bs and related enabling technologies



NEW RAILWAY STATION COMPLEX  
BOLOGNA (Italy)



ROYAL PALACE RESTORATION  
TURIN (Italy)



ENERGY DIAGNOSIS  
BRITISH EMBASSY  
ROME (Italy)



DEVELOPING THE E.NERGY  
EFFICIENCY POTENTIAL IN THE  
EIB'S FINANCING

# E2BS: CHALLENGES AND SYNERGIES WITH CLIMATE CHANGE

## QUESTIONS:

What will be the temperature on Earth for my grand-children ?

When shall we reach a "no-return" level of CO<sub>2</sub> ?

Will Greenland ice melt faster and faster ?

Is peak-oil behind us ?

Will our economic system survive ?

**What is at stake is the stability  
we have always taken for granted**

# E2BS: CHALLENGES AND SYNERGIES WITH CLIMATE CHANGE

## FACTS:

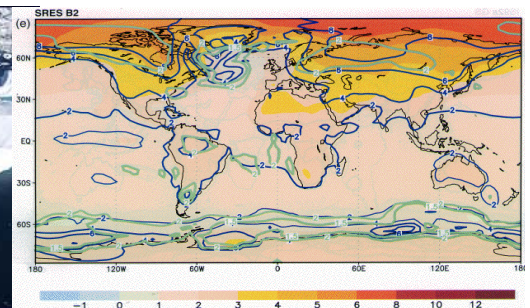
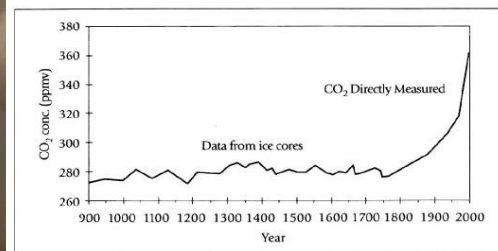
The scientific community agrees on one point:

All countries must drastically and rapidly reduce their CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

Doing so, we may reach 2020 and 2050 goals and we shall increase our energy independence



Trends in CO<sub>2</sub> Concentrations (Past 1000 Years)



# E2BS: CHALLENGES AND SYNERGIES WITH CLIMATE CHANGE

## OUR RESPONSIBILITY:

- Buildings use **40 %** of total EU energy consumption
- The built environment generates **1/3 of GHG in Europe**
- Replacement rate remains very small (1 to 2 % per year)
- New buildings are still far from being really energy efficient
- We should provide now solutions at a large scale

**Business as usual is not an option**



# E2Bs AND NEW DESIGNS ARE APPEARING

**Zero Emission**



Acciona Solar, 0 emission building

Green Office (Bouygues Immobilier)

**Energy +**



# INNOVATION AS DRIVER FOR E2Bs

Innovation is needed as state of the art solutions only partially address the challenges, knowledge creation and integration (**multidisciplinarity** and **cross-sectoriality**) are required, **new business models** and **value propositions** are necessary.



These are the drivers for D'Appolonia being deeply involved as founding member with 8 leading European Players in the **European Association for Energy Efficiency in Buildings (E2B)** which fosters the creation of a PPP to boost research in this interdisciplinary domain and to ensure a large impact at EU level.

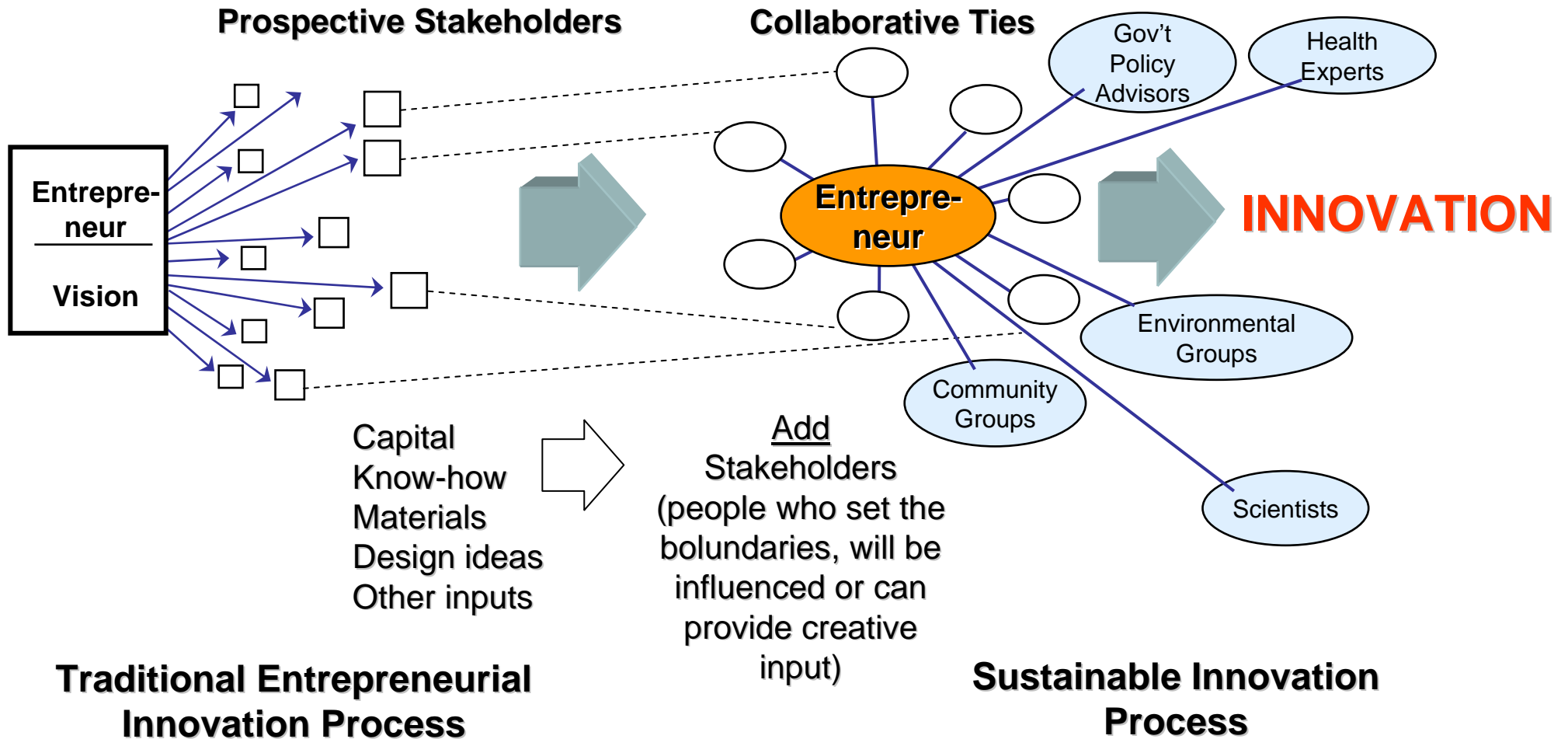


# ENTREPRENEURSHIP vs THE INNOVATION PROCESS

The **entrepreneur** plays a crucial role in the E2B innovation chain to identify the key leverage points in the building or in the processes where a coordinated suite of small changes will yield the greatest synergy generating buying drivers accepted by the market and the stakeholders.

When it comes to E2Bs and Sustainability, **INNOVATION** should be considered as an iterative process of interactions with prospective Stakeholders that results in a stakeholder network from which the new product/process/service emerges.

# ENTREPRENEURSHIP vs THE INNOVATION PROCESS



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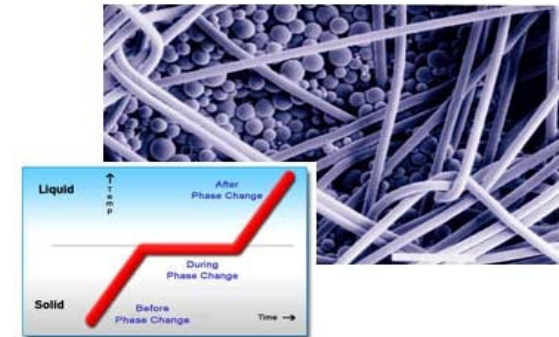
# SOME TARGETS FOR INNOVATION IN E2Bs (1 OF 3)

## A more efficient envelope :

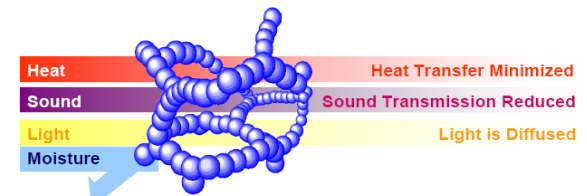
- Improved materials
- Bioclimatic architecture
- Improved design, new concepts

## Better equipment and systems :

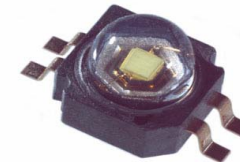
- Efficient HVAC equipment
- Lightning and Electric appliances
- Energy Storage
- Improved monitoring
- Stronger systemic approach



Phase Change Materials



Aero-nano gels



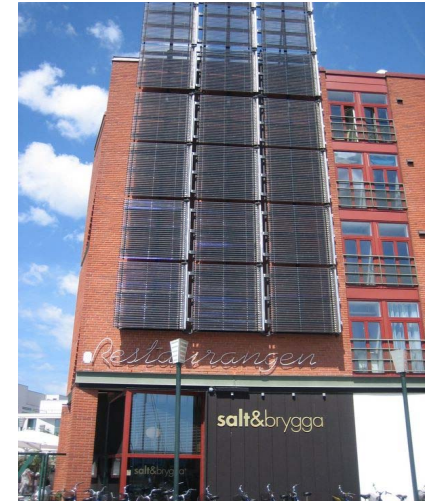
LED Lighting

# SOME TARGETS FOR INNOVATION IN E2Bs (2 OF 3)

## Stronger integration of renewable energies

- Solar PV \*
- Solar thermal \*
- Wind turbines
- Biomass
- Geothermal....

(\* No expected "peak sun" before 3 Billion years)



## Change collective and individual behavior

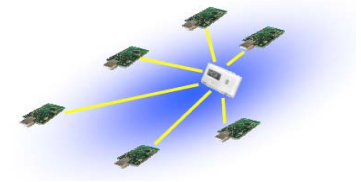
- By harmonized EU regulations
- Standardisation
- Promotion of EE by public sector
- Disseminate global costing, think long-term
- Improve individual behavior



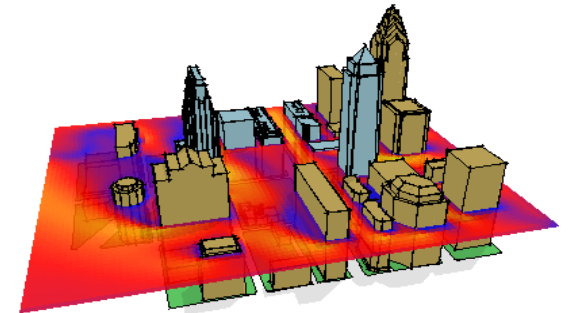
# SOME TARGETS FOR INNOVATION IN E2Bs (3 OF 3)

## ICTs for Energy Efficiency

- Tools for designing and measuring energy efficiency at building and district level
- Building Automation: New and improved control and management systems (BMS/EMS) based on smart appliances and communication networks
- Smart Metering: Meters that measure individual energy demand over time
- User Awareness Tools: Intuitive feedback to users on real time energy consumption in order to change behaviour on energy-intensive systems usage
- Interoperability / Standards: Development of standardisation for the interfaces and communication

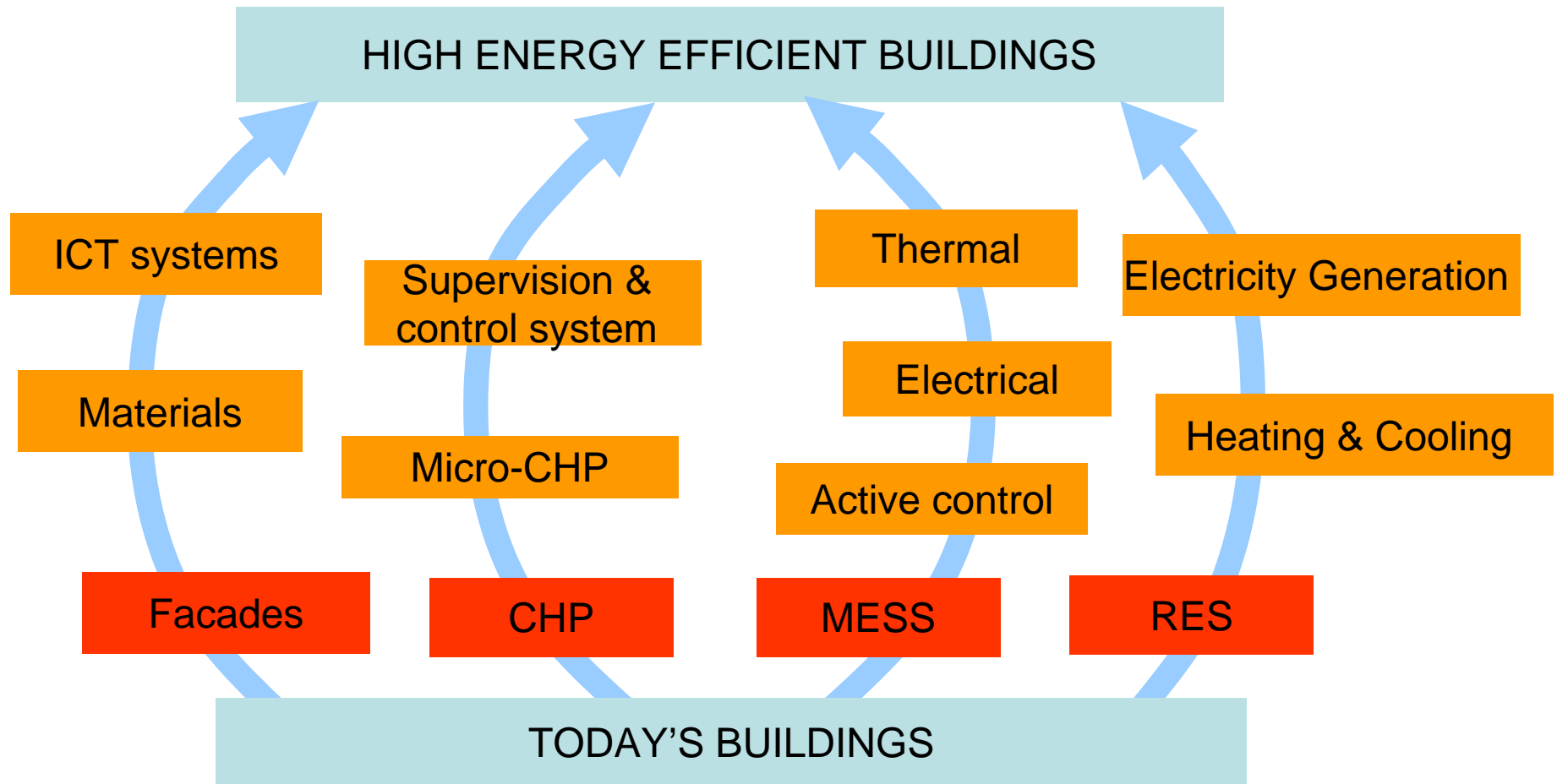


Wireless Sensors Networks



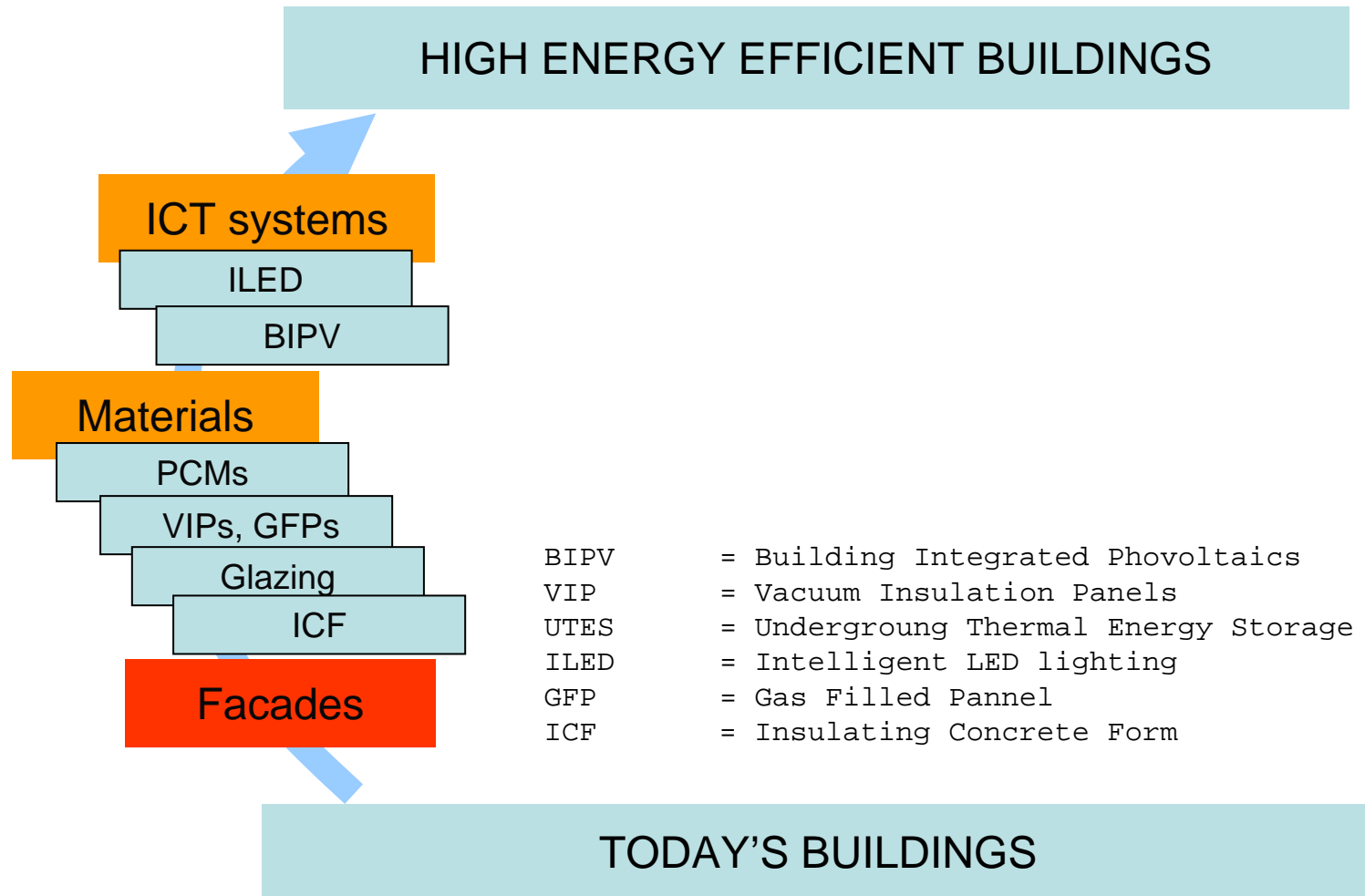
Design tools for Energy Efficient districts

# POSSIBLE EVOLUTION SCENARIOS



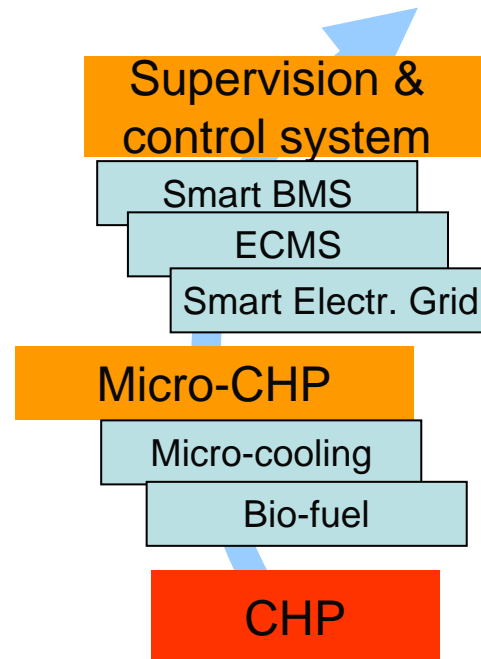


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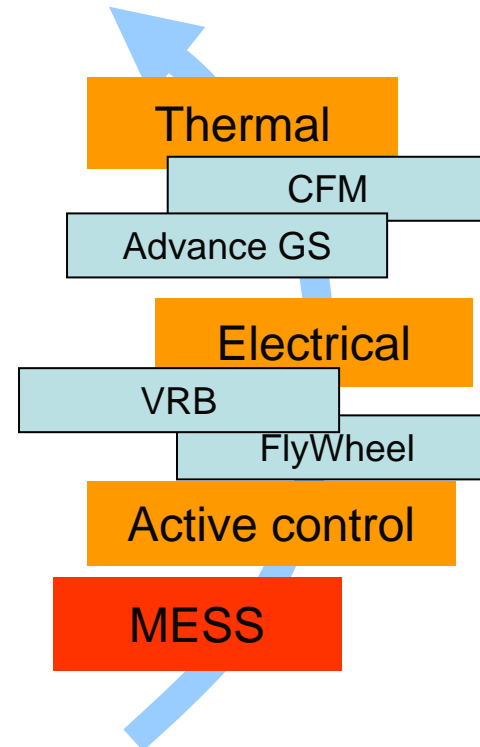


BMS = Building Management Systems  
ECMS = Energy Control Manag. Systems  
CHP = Combined Heat & Power

TODAY'S BUILDINGS

# POSSIBLE EVOLUTION SCENARIOS

HIGH ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDINGS



- MESS = Multi-energy storage system
- CFM = Conductive Fluid Materials
- GS = Ground Storage
- VRB = Vanadium redox flow batteries

TODAY'S BUILDINGS

# POSSIBLE EVOLUTION SCENARIOS

HIGH ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDINGS

Electricity Generation

Solar Thermal

BIPV

Wind Power

Heating & Cooling

UTES

Biomass

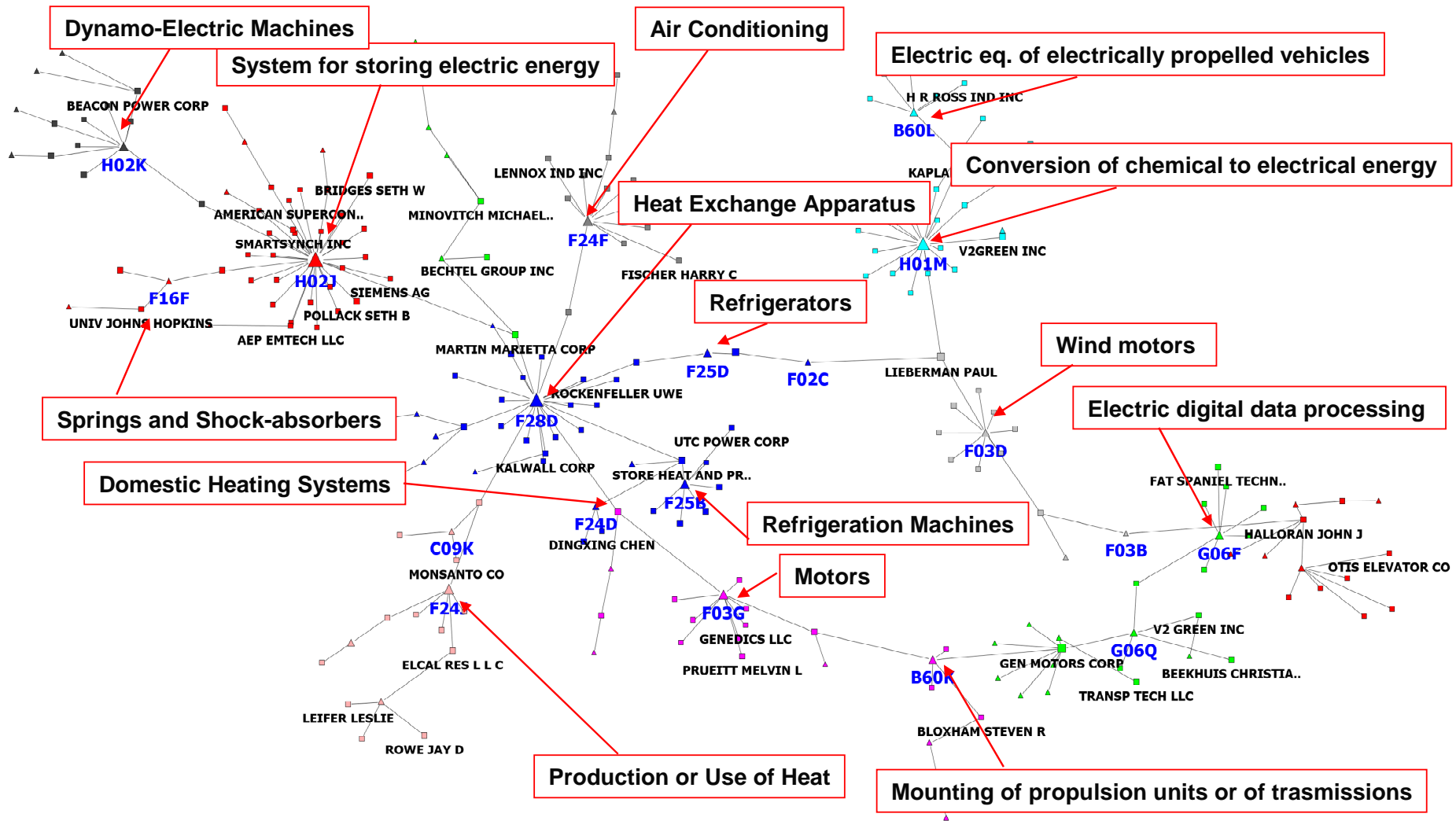
H<sub>2</sub> Fuel Cell

RES

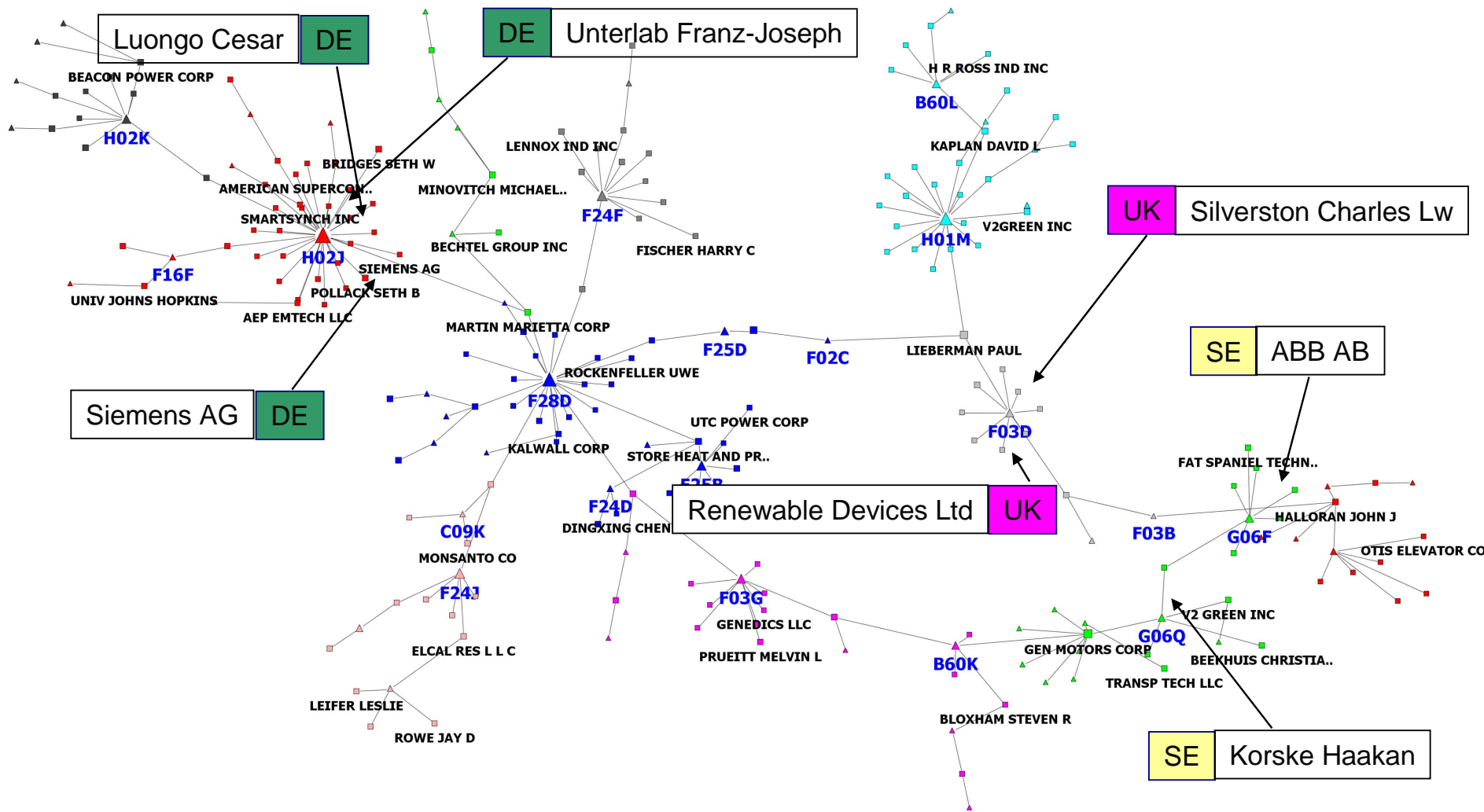
TODAY'S BUILDINGS

RES = Renewable Energy Sources  
BIPV = Building Integrated Phovoltaics  
UTES = Underground Thermal Energy Storage

# SAMPLE ANALYSIS OF NETWORKS – ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS IN BUILDINGS



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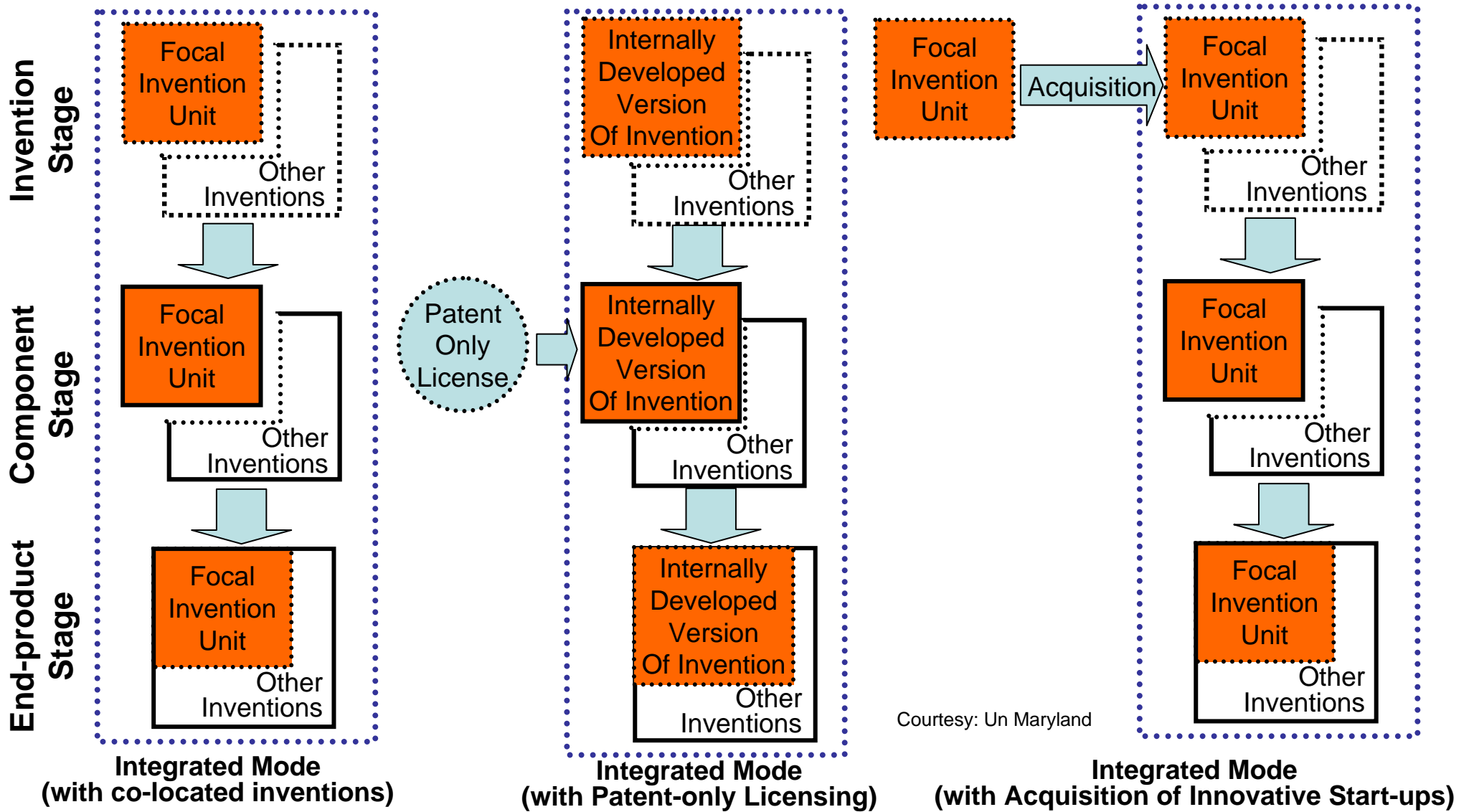
# CHALLENGES FOR IPR AND TECH TRANSFER IN MULTI-INVENTION CONTEXTS

What if RES would produce Hydrogen within districts of buildings for trigeneration and/or car refuelling with no CO2 emissions??



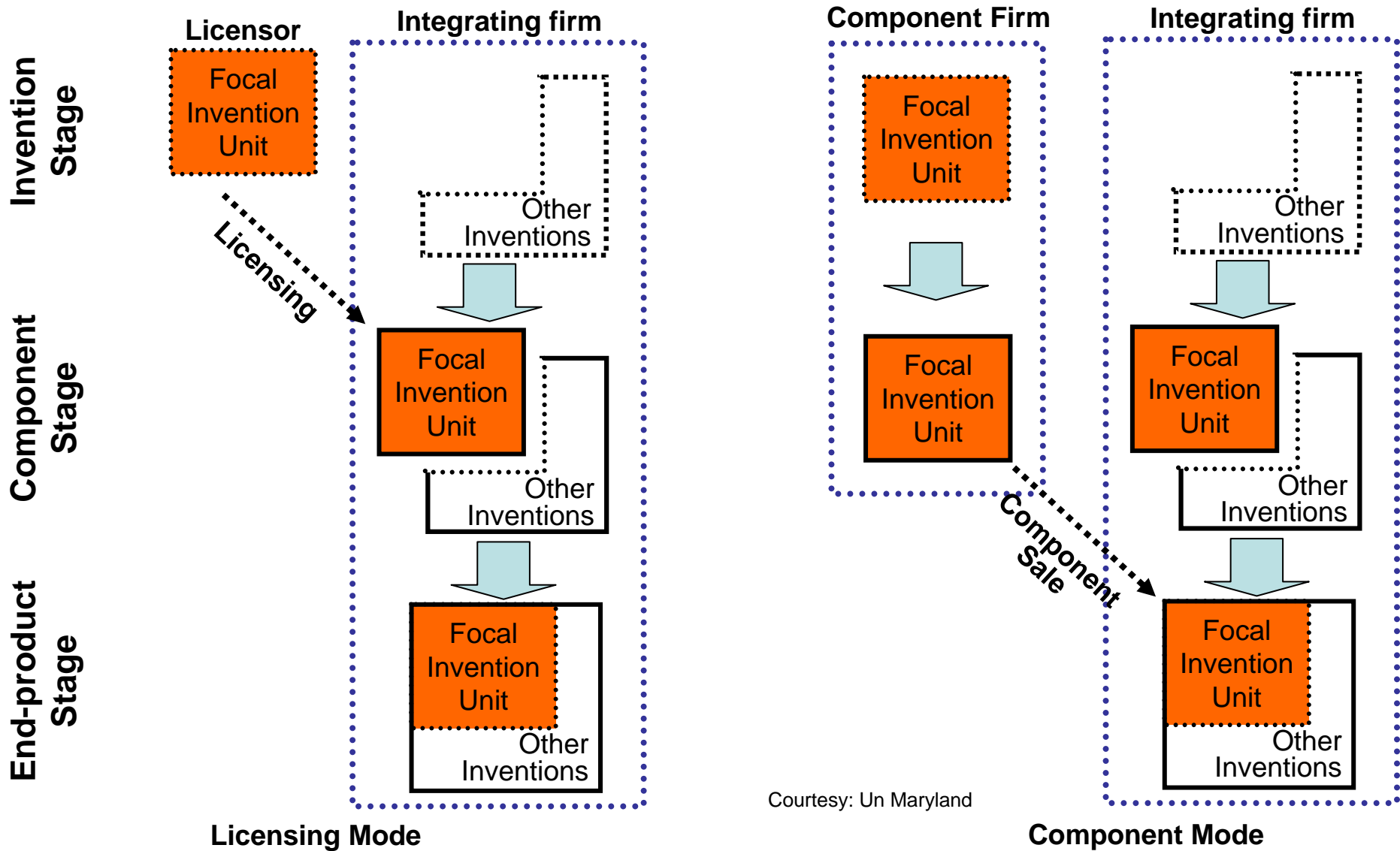
It would be a multi-invention framework.  
This would generate challenges for IPR and Tech Transfer  
within a **COMMUNITY** driven by **OPEN INNOVATION**.

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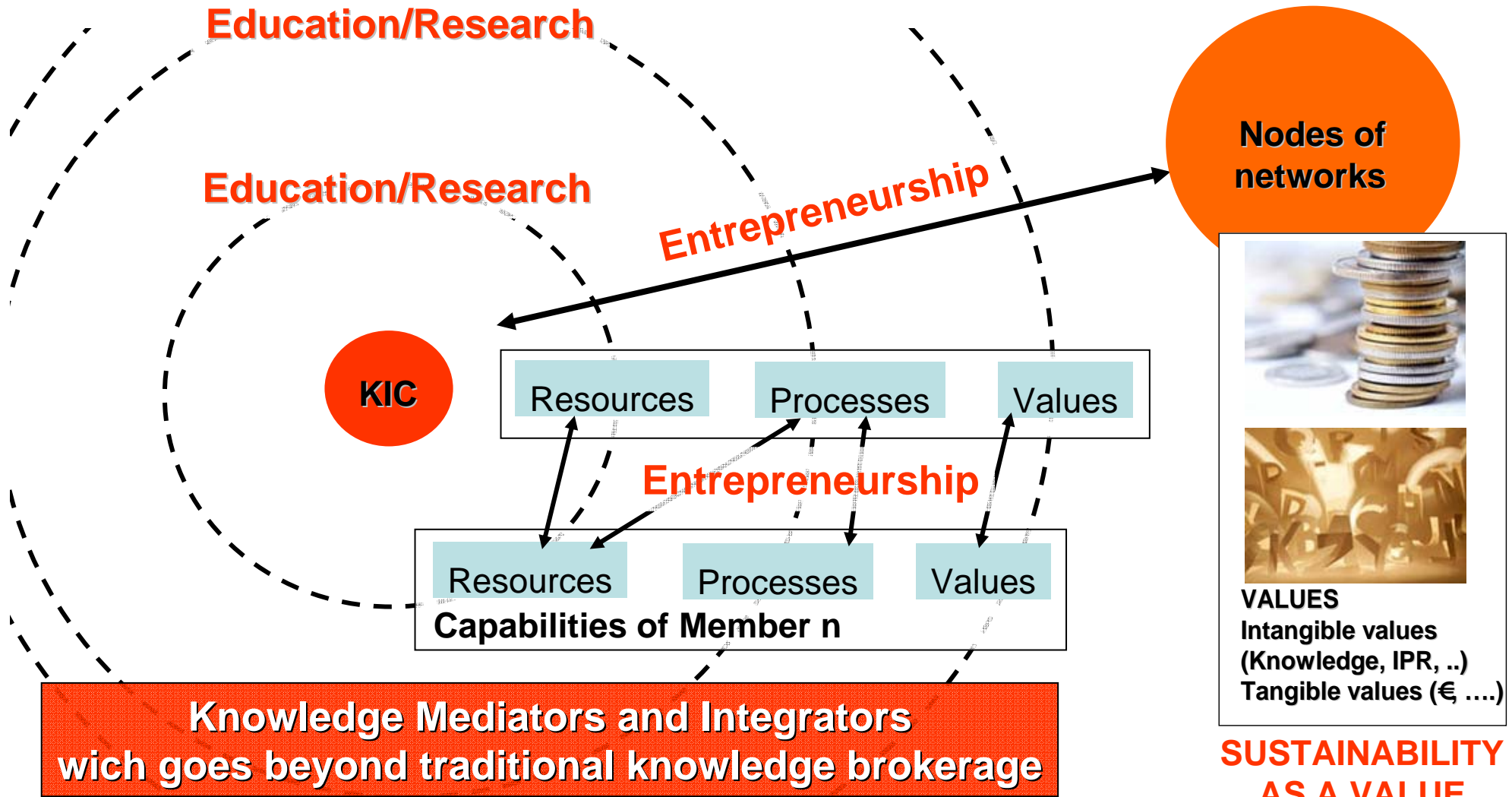


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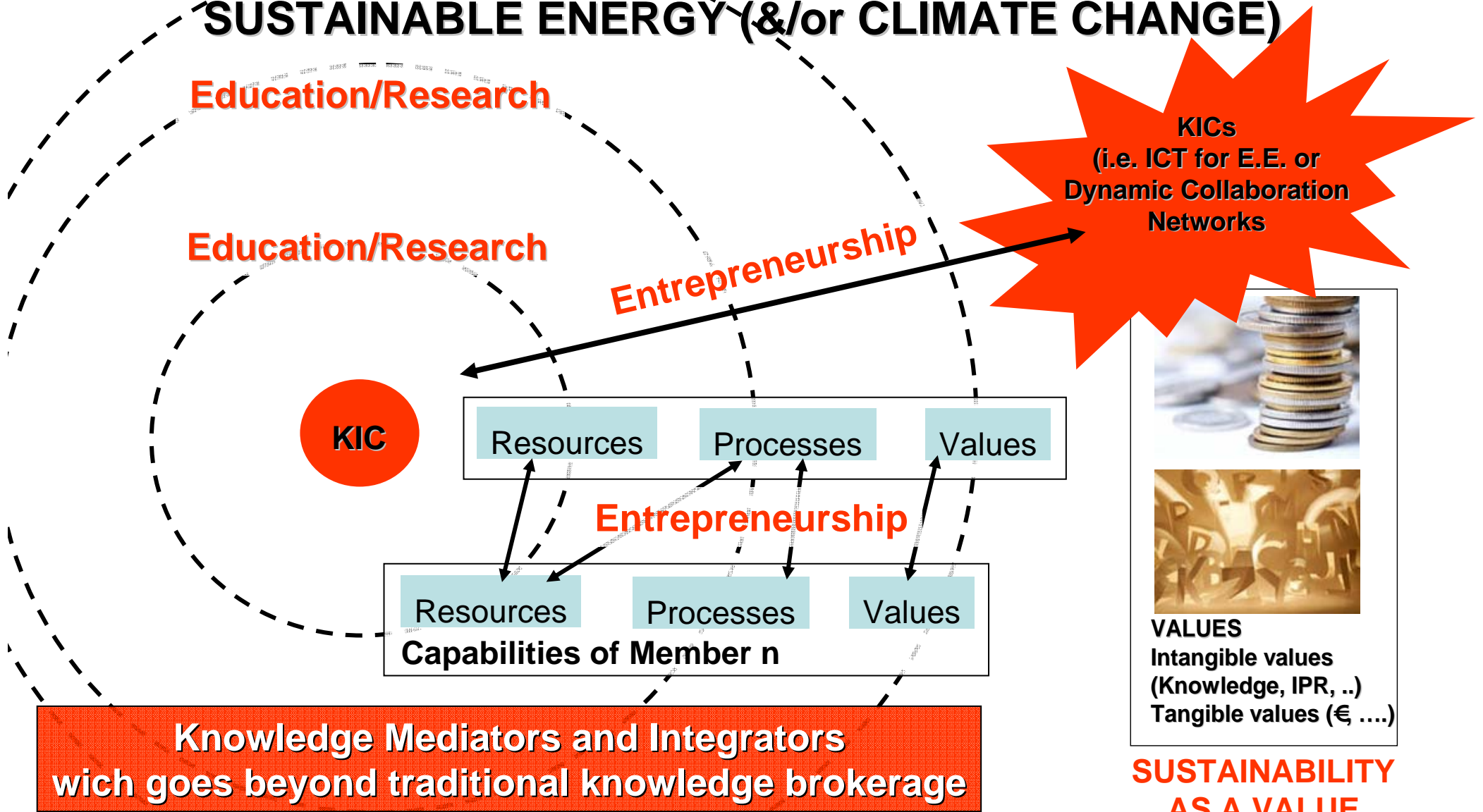


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# SOME THOUGHTS FOR COOPERATION WITHIN A KIC ON SUSTAINABLE ENERGY (&/or CLIMATE CHANGE)



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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!!!**

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**PS: D'Appolonia, double P, one L ;-)**