

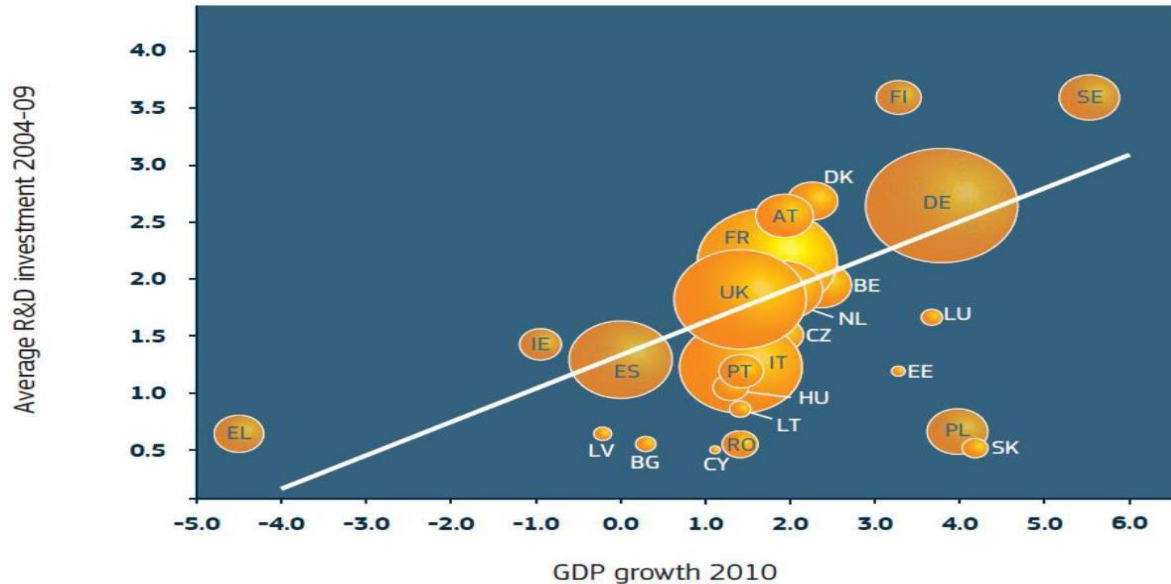


# Innovation and EU Cohesion Policy

*Evaluation of Innovations and Innovations in Evaluation  
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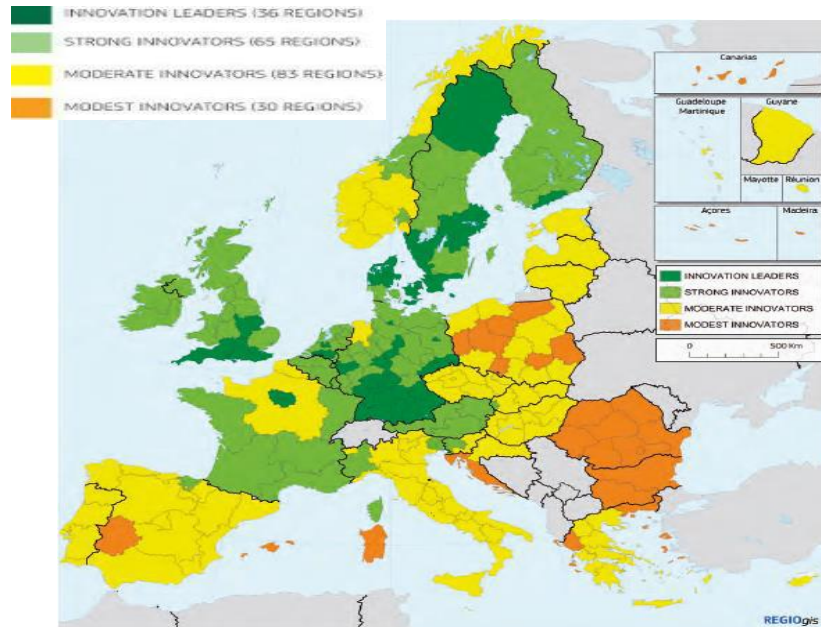
# Innovation as a Top EU priority



- *Productivity*
- *Competitiveness*
- *Growth*
- *Cohesion*

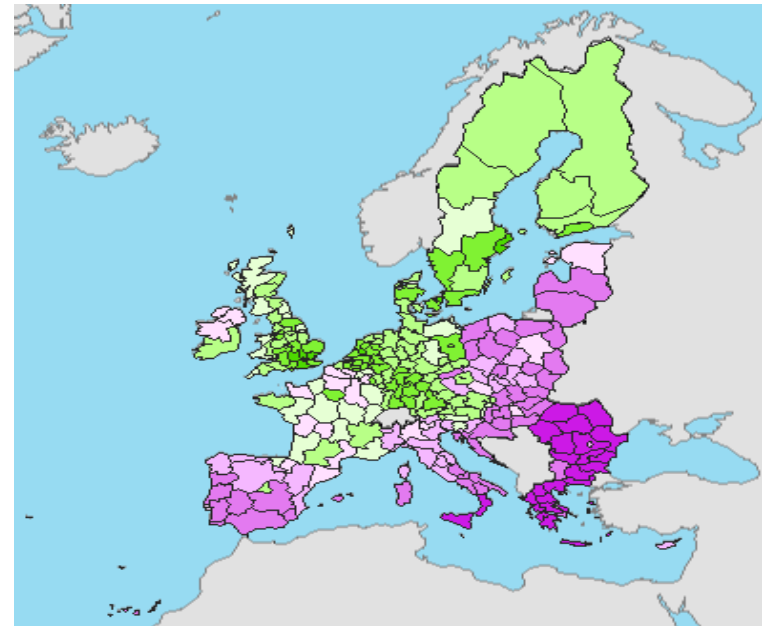
Source: EC SWD on Maximising Europe's Innovation Potential through Smart Specialisation, forthcoming 2017

# Innovation Performance and Competitiveness in the EU



For Cyprus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg and Malta, performance group membership is identical to that in the European Innovation Scoreboard 2016 report.

Source: DG GROWTH, Regional Innovation Scoreboard 2016



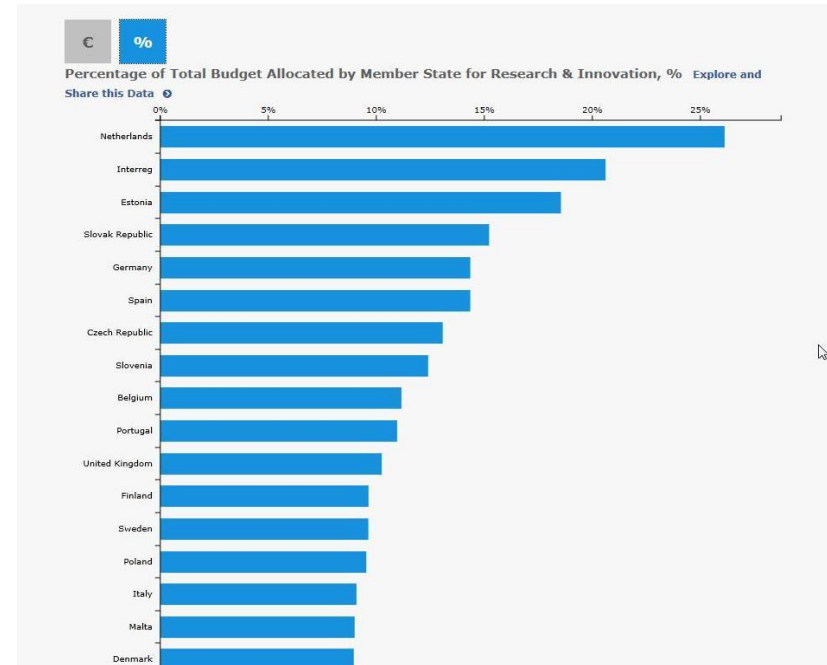
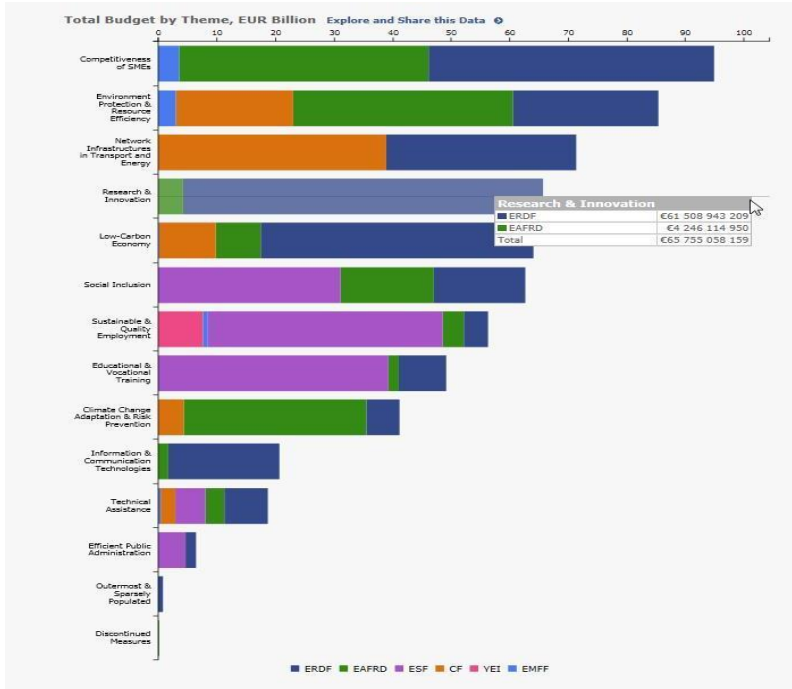
Source: DG REGIO, EU Regional Competitiveness Index 2016



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# ESIF Investments in Research and Innovation (TO1)



Source: Open Data Platform of ESI Funds

# Smart Specialisation and Innovation Policy

*-> a bottom-up approach to innovation policy in the EU*



# EU Smart Specialisation Strategy

## *RIS3 as an ex-ante conditionality*

### National or regional smart specialisation strategy

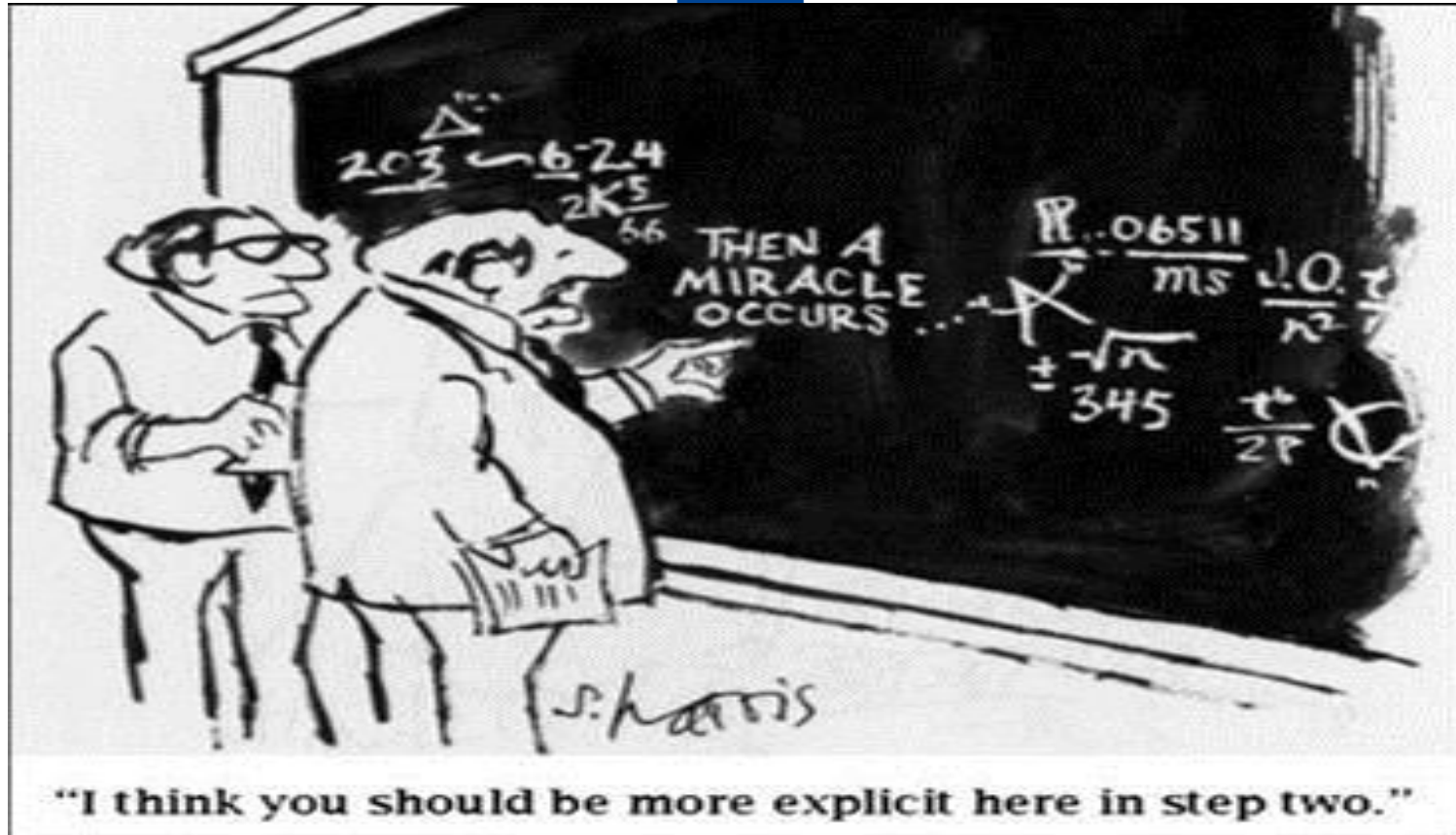
- ✓ *ExAC 1.1: SWOT analysis, private investments, monitoring and evaluation*



### Reforms in R&D systems:

*15 Member States with Country Specific Recommendations for R&I for 2012-2015*

*Source: Support of ESI Funds to the implementation of the Country Specific Recommendations and to structural reforms in Member States (forthcoming)*



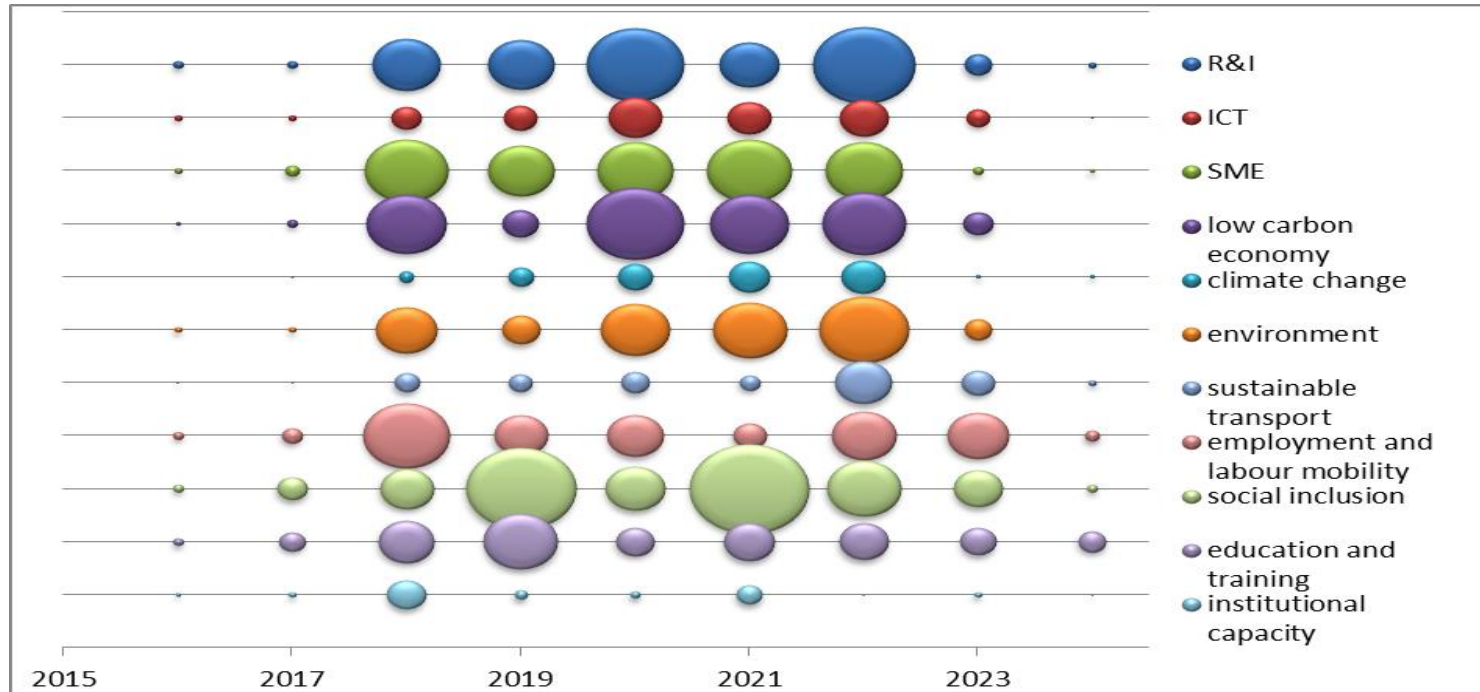
# Evaluation, Policy Learning and Communication





# Evaluating EU Cohesion Policy 2014-2020

*ERDF/CF Impact Evaluations planned by Member States, by Thematic Objective*







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Regional Innovation Scoreboard

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Better Regulation Guidelines

[http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/guidelines/toc\\_guide\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/guidelines/toc_guide_en.htm)

Open Data Platform of ESI Funds

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