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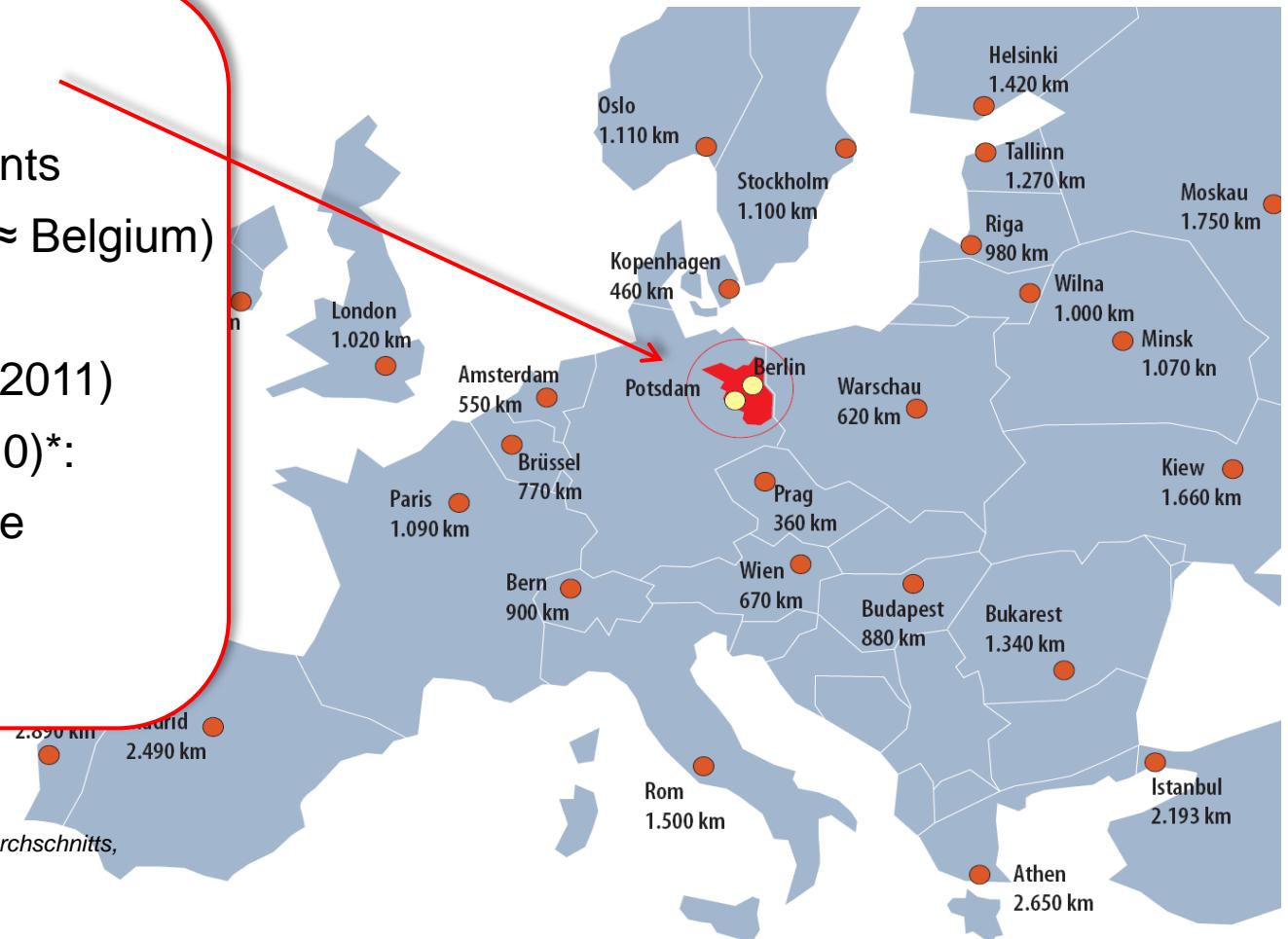
Possibilities for cross-border cooperation in the field of innovation - Joint Innovation Strategy of the States Berlin and Brandenburg

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The German Capital Region in Europe

app. 6 Mio. inhabitants
app. 30.000 sqkm (\approx Belgium)
2,8 mln workforce
GDP 156 bln EUR (2011)
GDP per capita(2010)*:
103% EU27-average



* Kaufkraftstandard in % des EU-27-Durchschnitts,
Quelle: EUROSTAT

Brandenburg: Starting Point

- A number of globally operating enterprises, but...
- Large number of small enterprises (99,5% SMEs)
- Small enterprises have to master numerous challenges:
 - Improving low level of equity
 - Accessing capital market
 - Accessing export markets
 - Improving innovation capacity
 - Attracting skilled labor



Excellence in R&D

- 7 universities
- 21 universities of applied sciences etc
- 70 research institutes
- 42 technology centres

R&D spending

- High level public R&D spending,
- Too little private R&D spending and too little resources (capital) for commercialisation in the region

Focus on innovation

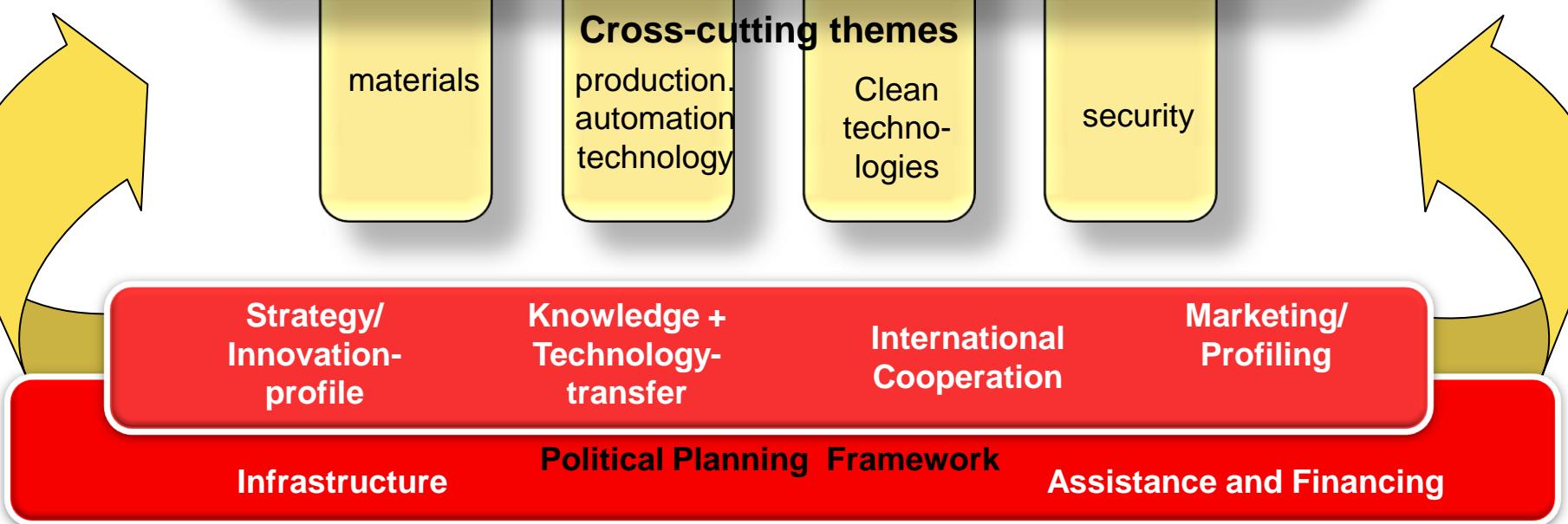
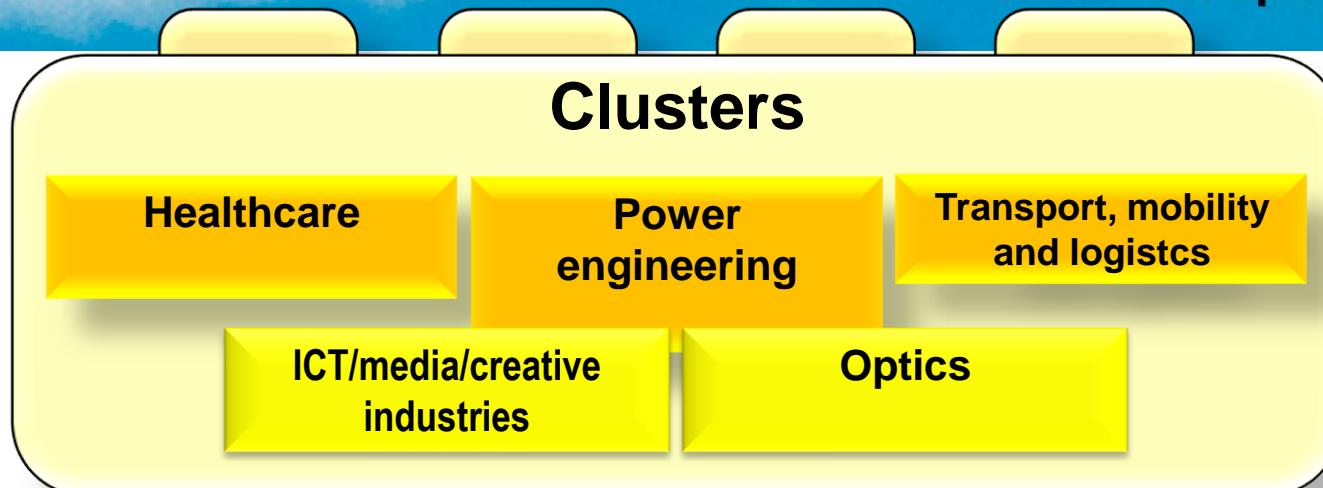
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Objectives

- Secure competitiveness of the region
- Exploit synergies – consolidate strengths
- Intensify transregional dialogue between business and science
- Create sustainable structures: establish **five clusters** with joint management teams for each cluster
- Harmonize framework conditions:
Innovation funding; qualifications of workforce; technology transfer; marketing; internationalisation



Internationalisation: objectives

Improve international market development/penetration

Increase participation in EU programs
(R&D, commercialisation)

Cooperation with appropriate clusters in Europe and beyond

Improve international visibility of the innovation region Berlin-Brandenburg

Internationalisation: tools

Involve
Enterprise Europe Network



Cluster specific promotional tours
and matchmakings



Cluster-to-cluster cooperation
Participation in European
plattforms/networks



Communication events in Brussels



Internationalisation: Cross-border cooperation

- Identify clusters or areas of core economic activities compatible with and/or complementary to innoBB clusters
- Create framework conditions assisting b2b, s2b or cluster2cluster cooperation (organisational for example via EEN, financial)
- Establish long-term cooperation relations and networks

Improving available EU-funding for Cooperation

- INTERREG A: create larger programme areas for more efficient crossborder cooperation :
- Open regional (and national) Operational Programmes of EU Structural Funds for crossborder and interregional cooperation
- Make better use of multilateral EU-programmes:
INTERREG B (esp. Baltic Sea) + C, Horizon 2020, COSME

Thank you for your attention

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