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Industry Engagement at the European Synchrotron: Challenges and Successes

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THE SYNCHROTRON WITH AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONVENTION



22 PARTNER COUNTRIES

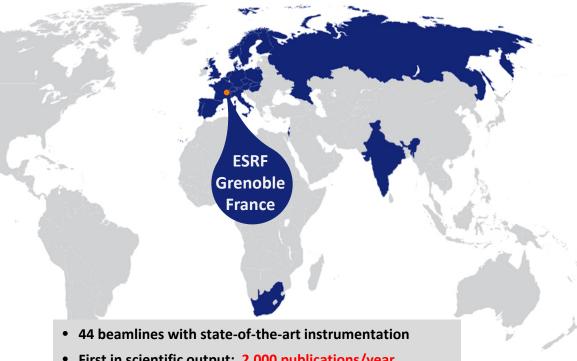
13 Member states:

France	27.5 %
Germany	24.0 %
Italy	13.2 %
United Kingdom	10.5 %
Russia	6.0 %
Benesync	5.8 %
(Belgium, The Netherlands)	

Nordsync 5.0 % (Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden) **Spain** 4.0 % **Switzerland** 4.0 %

9 Scientific Associate countries:

1.5 %
1.3 %
1.05%
Slovakia)
1.0 %
1.0 %
0.66 %
0.30 %



- First in scientific output: 2,000 publications/year
- Leader in number of users: 7,000 user visits/year, more than 10,000 individual users in the last three years
- 4 Nobel Prizes amongst users
- Founding Member of the Grenoble Innovation Campus



ESRF: MOTIVATED, AMBITIOUS, NEED TO LEARN



WHY DOES THE ESRF WORK WITH INDUSTRY?

- IMPACT: Demonstrated use of ESRF facilities, skills and intellectual property
- CASH: More resources
- GOOD SCIENCE: Challenging, real samples
- CAREERS: Wider opportunities for staff

HOW DOES ESRF ENGAGE WITH INDUSTRY?

Feasibility access: "have a go"

CLIENT SERVICES

Proprietary, Complex and Mail-in Services

- Generates 1.5M€ annually
- >100 unique clients
- Client owns IP rights
- Costs recovery

TECH TRANSFER

Instrumentation

- Licensing: 30 technologies
- In-house manufacturing
- Consultancy
- Generates 0.5M€ annually

PUBLIC BEAM TIME 30% linked to Industry, Must be published

• Universities with industry

- Industry on its own
- Innovation-led long-term proposal

COLLABORATION & GRANTS

- Industry sponsored staff (postdoc, PhD, trainees...)
- Horizon 2020 + national









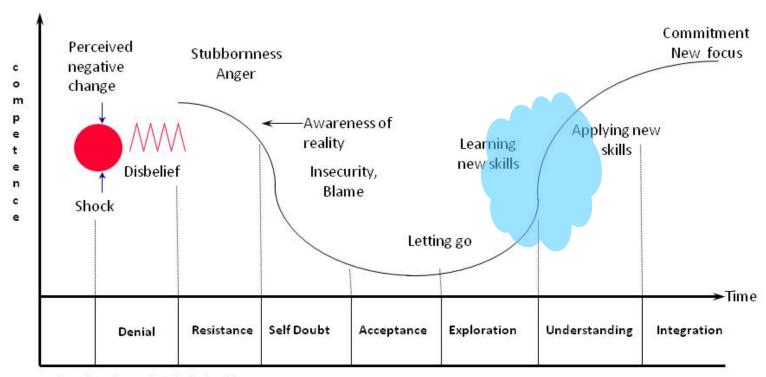


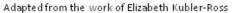


Challenge 1 Buy-in of staff

KUBLER-ROSS CHANGE CYCLE

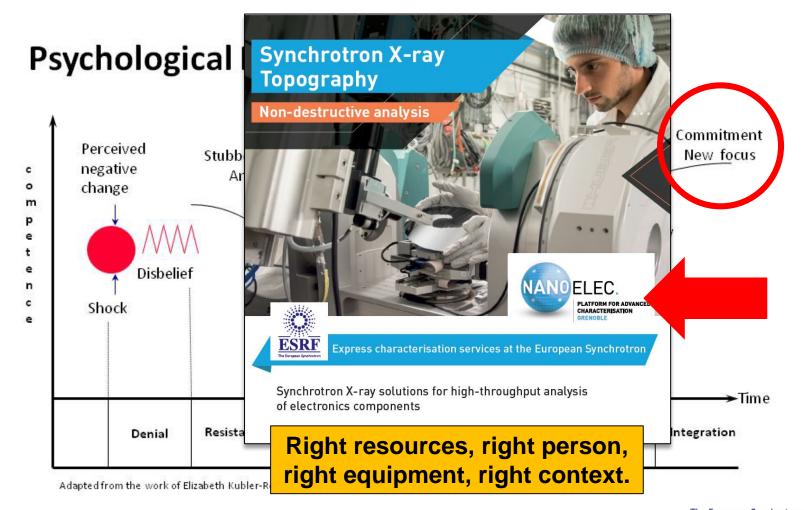
Psychological Reactions to Change







KUBLER-ROSS CHANGE CYCLE



A COMMERCIAL-FRIENDLY CULTURE?

- 1) Manage staff expectations (recruitment and after)
- 2) Return income fraction to earning teams
- 3) In-pocket rewards for staff (tech transfer)
- Resources recruit the right science and admin team
- 5) Encourage peer review access and collaborations with industry (papers for staff)
- 6) Staff training on working with industry, IP, entrepreneuship
- 7) Industry work part of internal meritocracy



Challenge 2 Getting industry through the front door

PERCEPTIONS ARE (VERY) HARD TO CHANGE

Our view of the ESRF:

- Unique large-scale instrument
- State-of-the-art
- Fantastic science

Look what we can do!



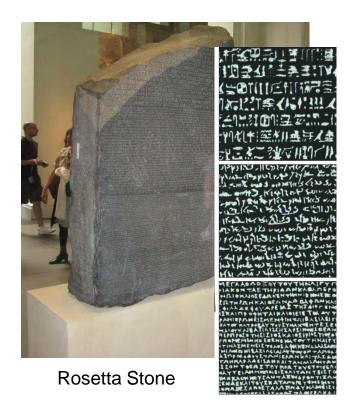
Industrial translation:

- Expensive and difficult to use
- Risky
- Fundamental science
 Not for me.





TWO-WAY UNDERSTANDING



- In-house marketing: scouting, B2B, conferences, exhibitions, brokerage, 1:1 with companies, on-site training...
- Multipliers











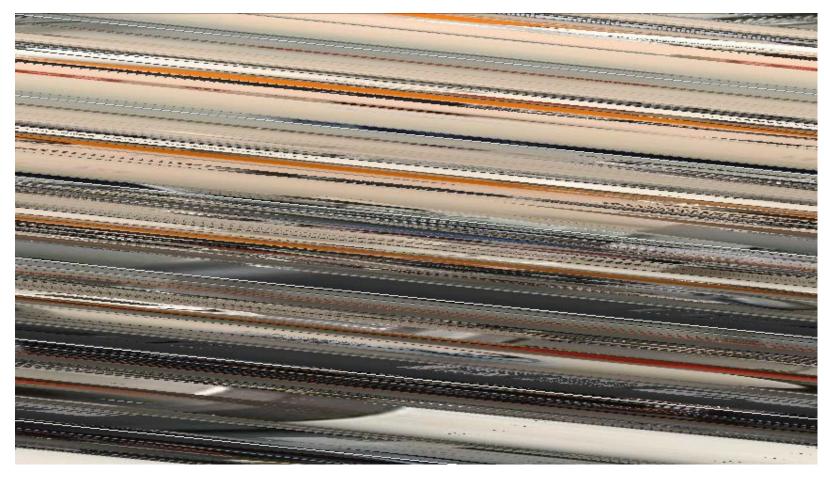




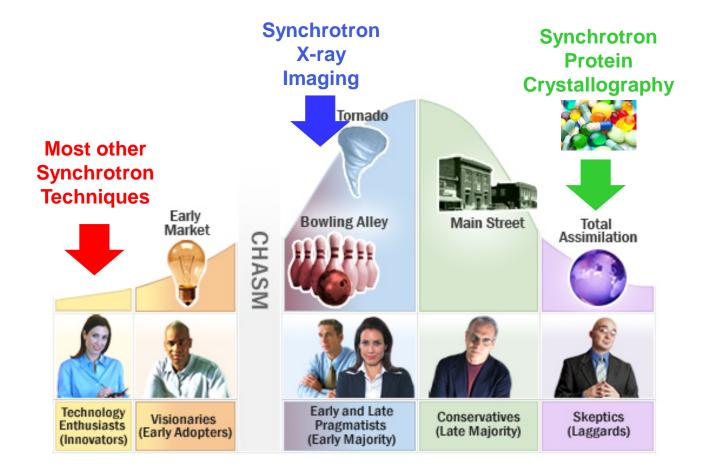




SERVICES AND TOOLS: GIVE INDUSTRY WHAT-THEY-NEED



SYNCHROTRON X-RAYS: AN INDUSTRIAL COMMODITY?



OPERATION: INNOVATION AND INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS – P&G SIGN MASTER COLLABORATION AGREEMENT





Gerard Baillely (centre, P&G VP), 8 September 2017, ESRF Visitor Centre

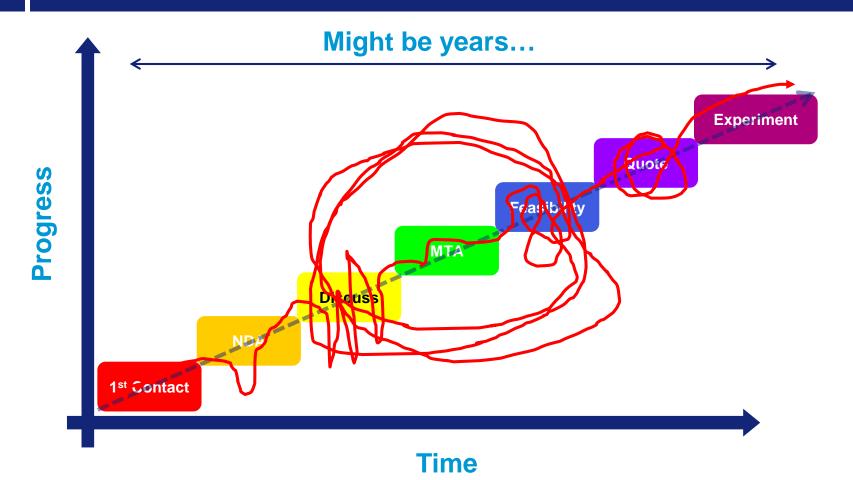
ESRF and ILL have signed a Master Collaboration Agreement with P&G making us strategic research partners to P&G.

This signature sets up a collaboration framework between the partners to help advance pre-competitive industrial research with the support of our facilities and skills.

- Joint PhD and Post-doc research projects
- Innovation-led Long-Term Proposals
- European and national funding proposals
- Spillover into proprietary research programme

ADMIN ADMIN - SIMPLIFY MSA MTA T&C Quote NDA "CGA"

COURTING INDUSTRY: RARELY A SMOOTH PATH



(after Markus Nordberg, CERN)

HALF-WAY TO COMMERCIAL NIRVANA?

- Flexible
- Responsive
- Patient
- Take on risk

An "in-house SME"



THE DANISH WAY - LINX



10M€over 5 years from a country of 5.5 million people.

Extrapolate to 500 million population of the EU (± >>>=).





"The current framework for interaction with industry is not ideal and both RI and industry do not fully perceive the reciprocal potential benefits of proactively engaging in collaboration.

The lack of an appropriate information flow, different language and objectives tend to increase this gap. An RI, Academia and Industry's mind-set shift is needed as well as a stronger communication of the RI added value beyond the academic circles."

LEAPS – League of European Accelerator-based Photon Sources

• **Launched**: 2015

Chairs: H. Dosch

Co-chairs: A. Harrison & C. Quitmann

Partners: 15 Institutions in Europe

European Synchrotron User Organisation

































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Develop coherent Roadmap of all SR and FEL facilities in the EU:

Strong & diverse user community

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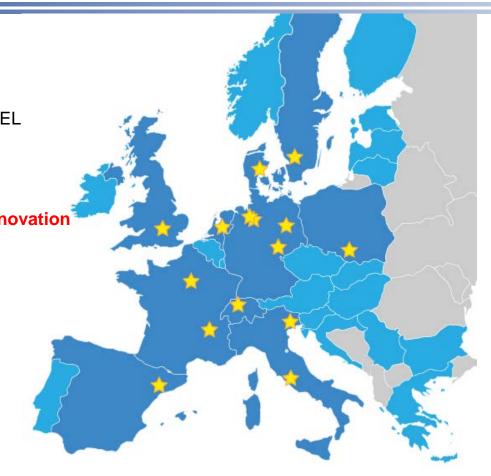
3) Push & disseminate technology and innovation

- 4) Integration & sustainability
- 5) Enable excellent science
- 6) Next generation light sources
- 7) Open science

LEAPS Charter

LEAPS Strategy Document (Nov 2017)

Input to EC FP9 2020-2026





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EAPS Strategy Document (Nov

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Strategic actions at Regional, National and European levels for a new light source-industry culture of engagement:

- Building the European innovation workforce:
 education of scientists from industry, academia and light
 sources to facilitate improved interactions for today's
 scientists and focused training for the next generation;
- Financial support for effective collaboration:
 fostering partnership and collaboration opportunities
 between industry and light sources by providing access
 for SMEs through to funding large scale key challenge
 projects embedding industry at the heart of trans national strategic projects;
- Optimising return on investment: support for all stages of the technology transfer process to enable novel and innovative technologies developed at light sources to find their way to market.



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