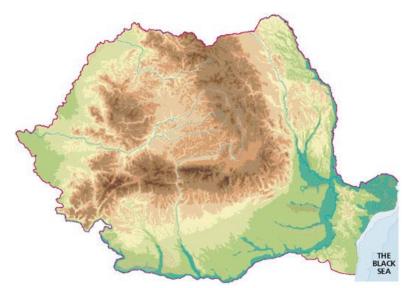
Romania:

Towards an RDI strategy with a strong smart specialization component



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National Strategy for RDI 2014-2020 with a strong smart specialization component

STEP 1. The "Analysis and Evidence Base of the R&D&I Market in Romania" (JASPERS/ARUP 2013) was launched in March 2013.

STEP 2. In the period January-December 2013 a large foresight exercise was carried out as part of the project "Elaboration of the National Research, Development and Innovation Strategy 2014-2020" (www.cdi2020.ro)

STEP3. Political dialogue

Project "Elaboration of the National Research, Development and Innovation Strategy 2014-2020" (www.cdi2020.ro)

Outsourced by the Ministry of National Education to a consortium of 11 partners and 142 supporting organizations.

Key stakeholders group (60+ persons) validated the results (Vision and priorities)

Panellists and online respondents were identified through 'knowledge maps' (social network analyses of the Romanian RDI ecosystem based on data collected from projects, publications, patents); the list was further extended through nomination and conomination.

The elaboration of the RDI Vision 2020

Panel of 30 experts and stakeholders (4 meetings, Jan-March 2014)

World café debate with key actors (70 persons)



RDI Vision 2020

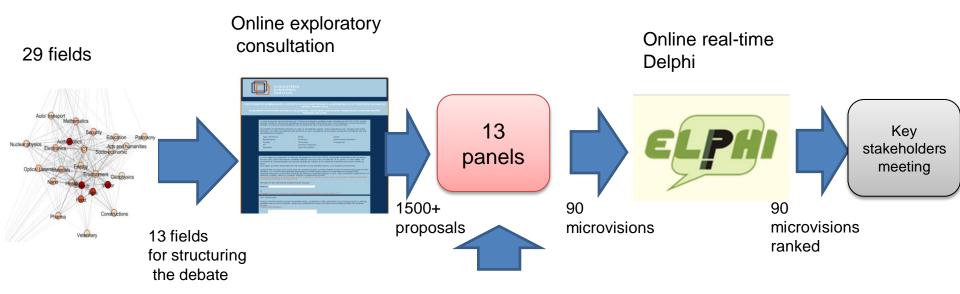
In 2020 Romania is regionally and globally competitive through innovation supported by research and development, thus generating wellbeing and prosperity for its citizens.

The competitiveness is fed by an <u>innovation ecosystem</u> in which research and development supports the advance along <u>global value chains</u>. In this environment <u>excellence</u> and <u>entrepreneurship</u> mobilize a critical mass of actors.

Vision's 3 pillars:

- Companies become key actors of innovation
- •The RDI sector is an arena of opportunity for the talented
- •Regional leadership at the frontier of science through breakthroughs in strategic fields

The process for identification of priorities



Knowledge maps

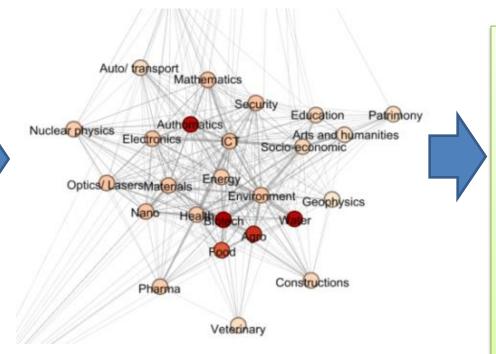


29 fields have been identified by integrating different inputs

Aeronatutics Agro Food Water Arts & humanities Auto/ transport Automatisation Biotech Constructions Education Electronics Energy Pharma Nuclear phys. Geophysics ICT **Mathematics** Materials (new) Veterinarian Environment Nanotech Naval **Optics** Patrimony Health Security Socio-economic

Space Textiles

Data analytics proposed clustering



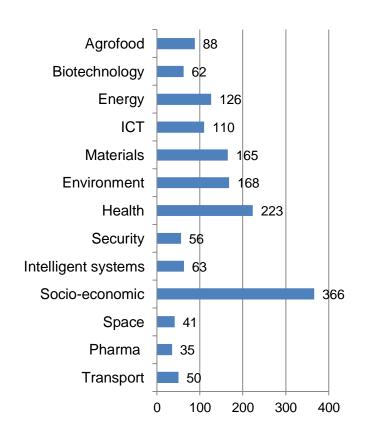
13 fields have been validated in a key stakeholders' meeting for structuring the consultations

Agro-Food
ICT
Intelligent systems
Health
Energy
Pharmaceuticals
Environment
Security
Space
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Biotechnologies
Transport
Socio-economic

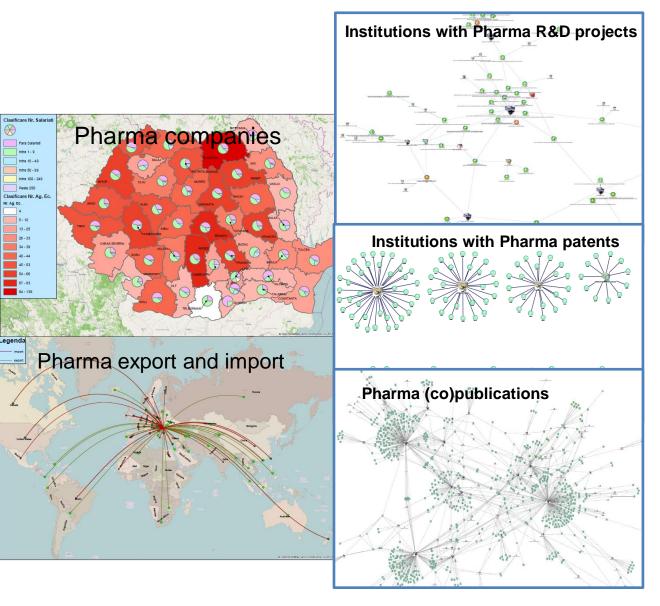
Exploratory online consultation along the 13 fields (June 2013)



28000+ persons invited 1500+ responses 2000 new persons have been nominated

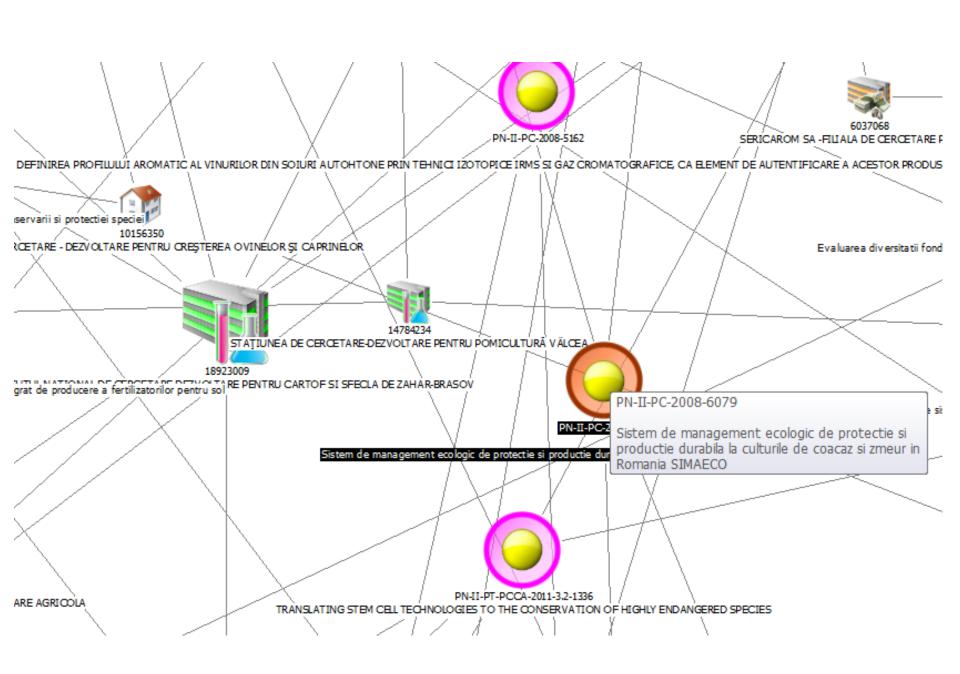


"Knowledge maps" for each of the 13 fields

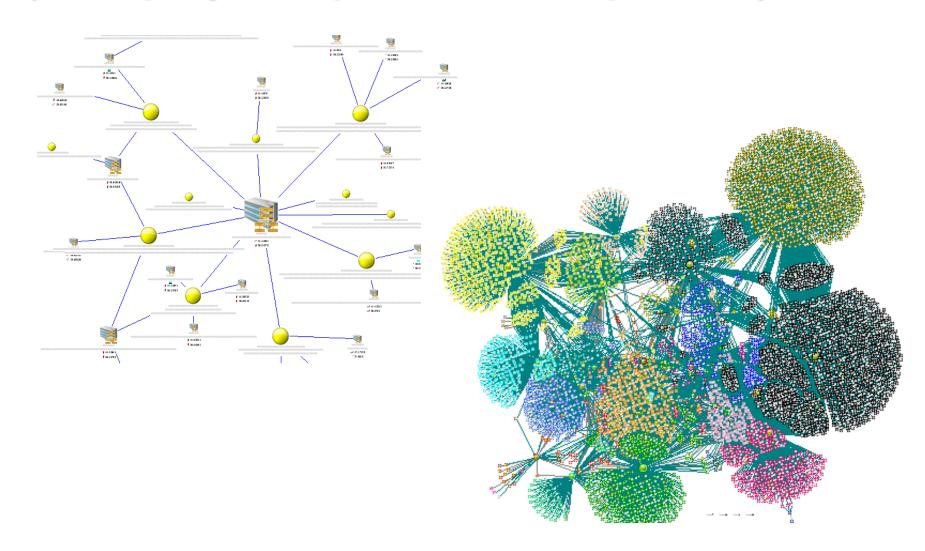


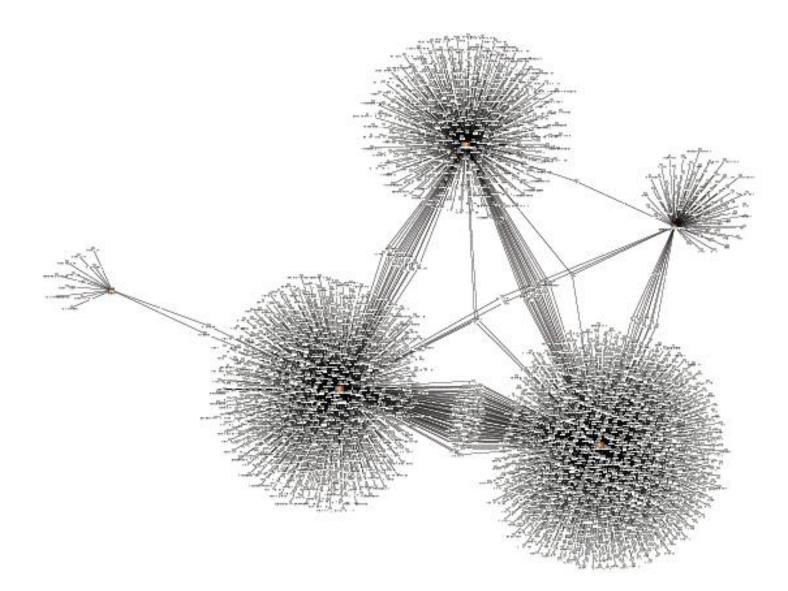
Data analytics of

- National RTDI projects (5000+)
- Projects FP7 (600+)
- RTDI Structural funds projects (500+)
- Patents (7000+)
- ISI Thomson articles (100.000+)
- Companies track record (600.000+)
- Top export companies

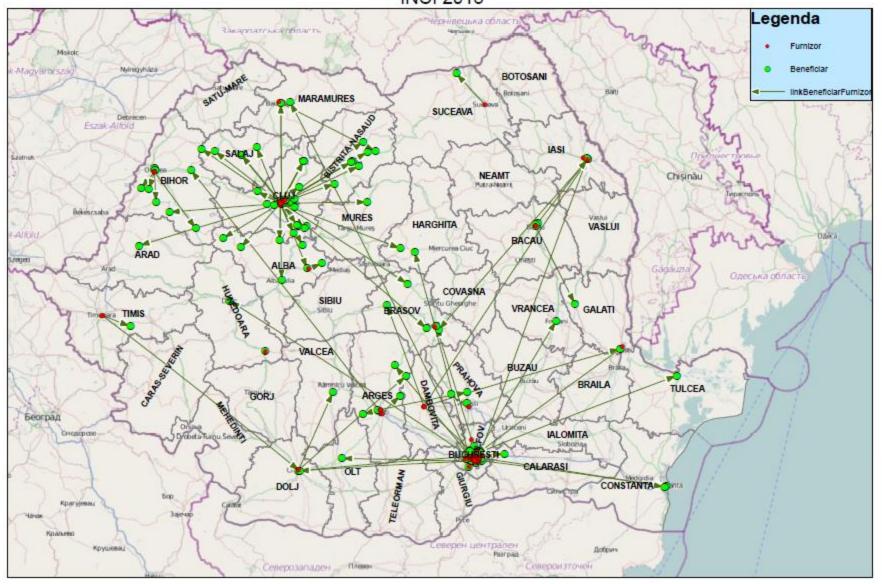


Institutional signatures (R&D projects, publications, patents)





Reprezentarea legaturilor intre beneficiar si furnizor INCI 2013



The 13 panels

> Formation

- Each coordinated by a triplet Business –Institute-University
- Participants (20 per panel) selected based on a co-nomination process

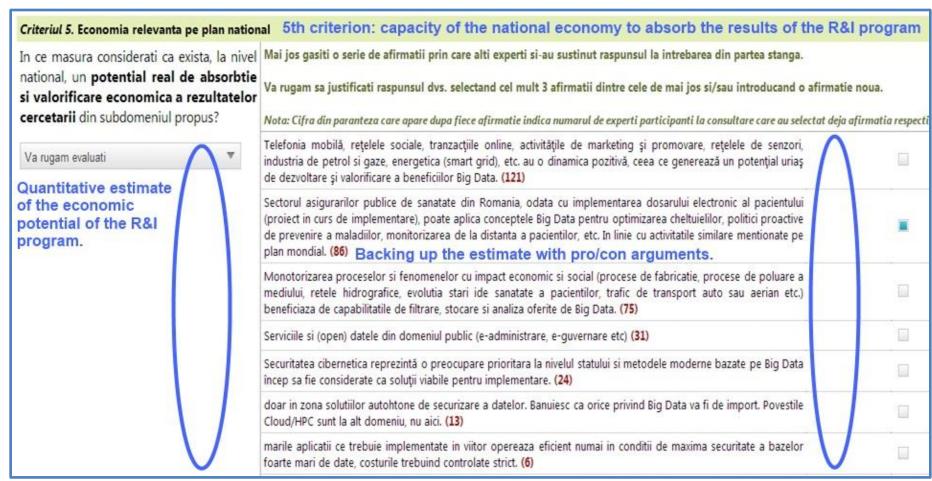
> Input

- Results of the exploratory questionnaire
- Knowledge maps
- A repository of statistics and studies
- Procedure (4 days face to-face)
 - Foresight oriented (e.g. exploring drivers of change)

> Output

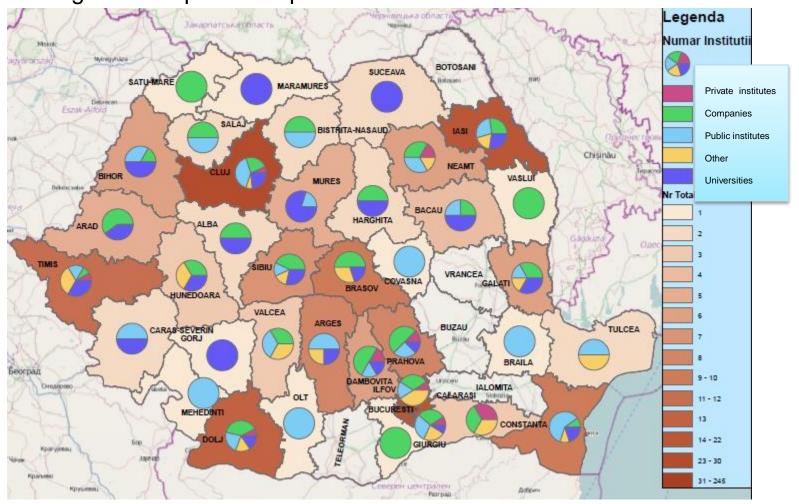
- 6-8 **micro-visions** for subfields, each following a template of arguments
 - 2020 micro-vision statement
 - The opportunity (→ Looking beyond the boundaries)
 - The possible contribution the R&I for benefiting the opportunity (e.g. promising RDI lines)
 - The current RDI capacity at national level
 - Economic relevance
 - Required R&D investments for reaching critical mass

The micro-visions elaborated by the panels entered an online consultation for selection, using an argumentative real-time Delphi *Aug-Sept 2013*



Real-time Delphi

- > 44.111 persons invited
- ≻4091 respondents
- ➤ Average 161 respondents per micro-vision



Exploration and discovery

Selection mechanism

Rank	Micro- vision	Required investment for reaching critical mass	
1			
2			
3			
			Σ 5 billion Euro
90			24 billion Euro

The fiches has been ranked based on three criteria (each estimated on a 1-5 equivalent scale):

- (1) the opportunity, in terms of the future dynamics of the field (25% in the composite index);
- (2) the possible **contribution the RDI** (25% in the composite index).
- (3) the estimated **economic impact** (**50%** in the composite index).

Smart specialisations identified in the foresight exercise include:

A1. BIOECONOMY

- · Safe, accessible, nutritionally optimized food
- · Sustainable development in forestry
- · Zootechnics, veterinary medicine, fishing and aquaculture
- New products, practices, processes and technologies in horticulture
- Sustainable development of fields crops
- · Bioenergy biogas, biomass, biofuels
- · Biotechnologies for agro-food
- Nanobiotechnology
- · Environmental biotechnologies
- Industrial biotechnologies
- Bioanalysis
- Medical and pharmaceutical biotechnologies
- · In vitro/ in vivo assessment for generic drugs
- Systemic, local and targeted drug delivery and technologies to optimize the biopharmaceutical and pharmacokinetic profile
- Molecular design, (bio)synthesis, semisynthesis, high-performance screening

A2. ICT

- · Analysis, management and security of big data
- Future internet
- · Software development technologies, instruments, and methods
- High performance computing and new computational models

A3. ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

- Increasing end-use energy efficiency
- Optimizing the use of conventional and non-conventional water resources
- · Substitution of critical materials and functional covering
- · The intelligent city

A4. ECO-TECHNOLOGIES

- · New-generation vehicles and ecological and energy-efficient technologies
- Innovative technologies, equipment and technical systems for the generation of bioresources
- · Depolluting and waste reuse technologies

In addition to the four smart specialisations, the foresight exercise identified three national priorities: **Health, Space and Security**, and **Heritage and cultural identity**.

KET-related Priorities

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Measuring the progress

	Last value (year)	Target 2017	Target 2020
Premises			
Public expenditures for research and development, as a share of GDP	0.31 (2011)	0.61	1.0
Number of doctorate graduates (ISCED 6) per 1000 inhabitants, 25-34 y.o.	1.4	1.5	1.5
Number of researchers in the public sector (full-time equivalent)	12409 (2011)	15000	17000
Scientific publications in the top 10% of the most quoted publications worldwide, as % of the total scientific publications in the country	3.8 (2011)	5	7
International scientific co-publications for 1 mil. inhabitants	148	200	300
Venture capital as % of GDP	0.033	0.06	0.09
Spill-over in the private sector			
Research and development spending of the business sector as a share of GDP	0.17 (2011)	0.6	1.0
Number of researchers in the private sector (full-time equivalent)	3518 (2011)	7000	14500
Public-private co-publication for 1 mil. Inhabitants	8.3	12	16
Innovative SMEs cooperating with others (%)	2.93	3.5	6
EPO patent applications / year	40	80	120
USTPO patent applications / year	17	30	60
Community trade mark applications / EUR 1 billion GDP adjusted to the purchasing power parity	2.14	3	4
Economic impact			
Innovative companies with rapid growth	-	50	150
SMEs introducing innovative products and services (%)	13.7 (2011)	16	20
Revenue from licences and patents from abroad as % of GDP	0.13 (2011)	0.15	0.17

Annex – procedure description

Assistance to identifying national priorities as regards the Smart Specialisation in the next national strategy for research and innovation 2014-2020

- Jaspers Report (http://www.poscce.research.ro/uploads/programare-2014-2020/final-report-12-aprilie.pdf)
- Recommendations report (http://www.poscce.research.ro/uploads/programare-2014-2020/jaspersrecommendations.pdf)
- Knowledge maps (http://www.cdi2020.ro/pachete-de-lucru/panel-prioritati/)

Foresight

- Expert pannels (http://www.cdi2020.ro/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/Componenta-paneluri-prioritati.pdf)
- Methodology (http://www.cdi2020.ro/pachete-de-lucru/panel-prioritati/)
- "Online" questionnaire (http://www.cdi2020.ro/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Raportul-chestionarului-identificare-expertilor-si-prioritatilor-candidate.pdf)
- Refining (fiches on: <u>Agro-food; Bio-technology; Energy; ICT; Materials; Environment; Health; Security; Intelligent Systems; Socio-economics; Space; Medicine Science; Transport)</u>
- Prioritization and version Dec. 2013.

Public debate

- National R&D institutes
- Romanian Academy
- Private companies
- Changes as for version Apr. 2014.

Feedback & political decision



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- Version July 2014

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