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# Innovation strategies of technical universities in the global competition context

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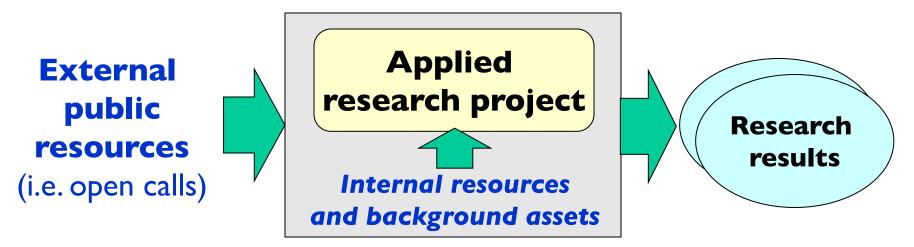




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 Universities are increasingly pressed from public administrations to assume higher levels of responsibility in the valorisation of results from research projects funded with public resources



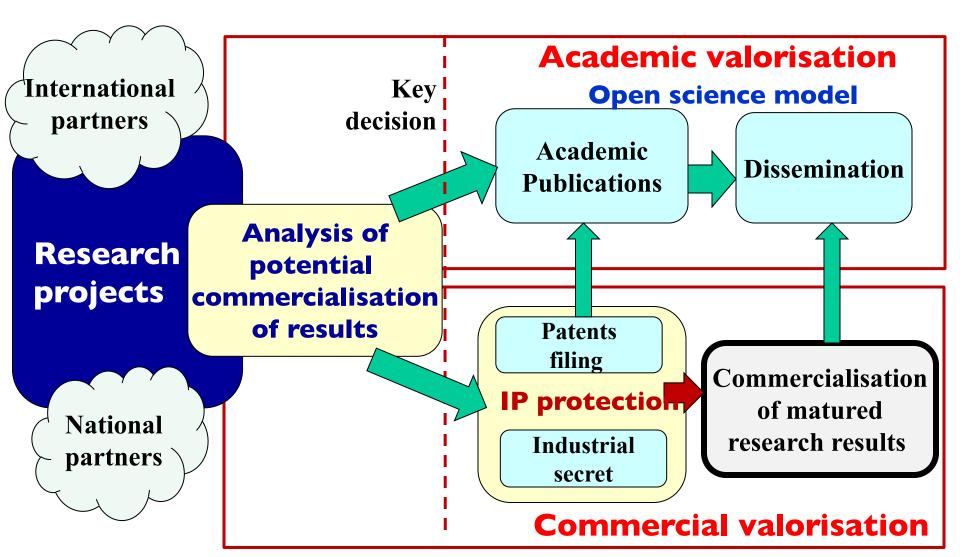
- What should be the best strategy for a given university?
  - International technology markets with partners located everywhere















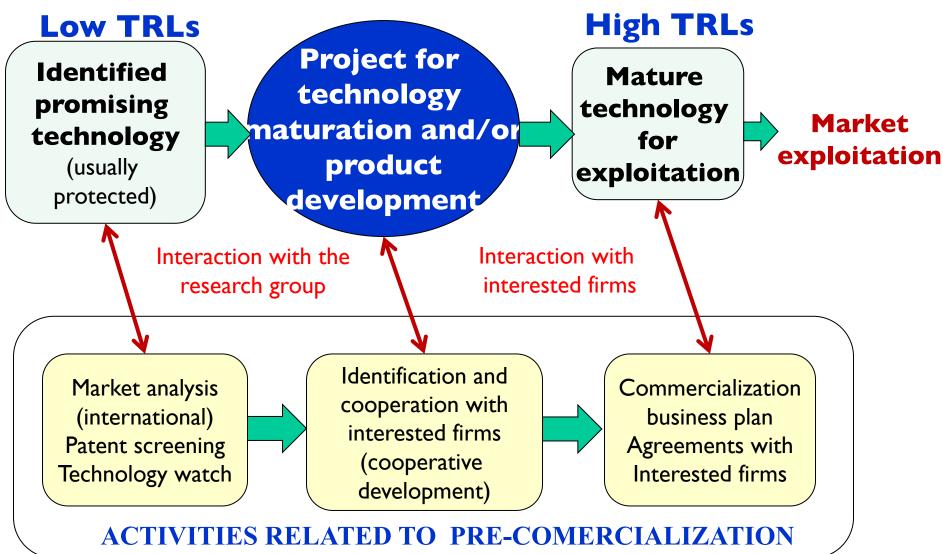


- The usual results of an applied research project for technology development (when successful) is a **prototype** where concepts and applicability can be tested
- But the experience with prototypes cannot be directly extrapolated to reality:
  - $\checkmark$  Limited functionality
  - ✓ Poor performance
  - ✓ Lack of scalability (e.g. large volume of data or users)
  - ✓ Reduced feedback from users
- It is necessary to create (stable) prototypes in large-scale validation processes and demonstrators

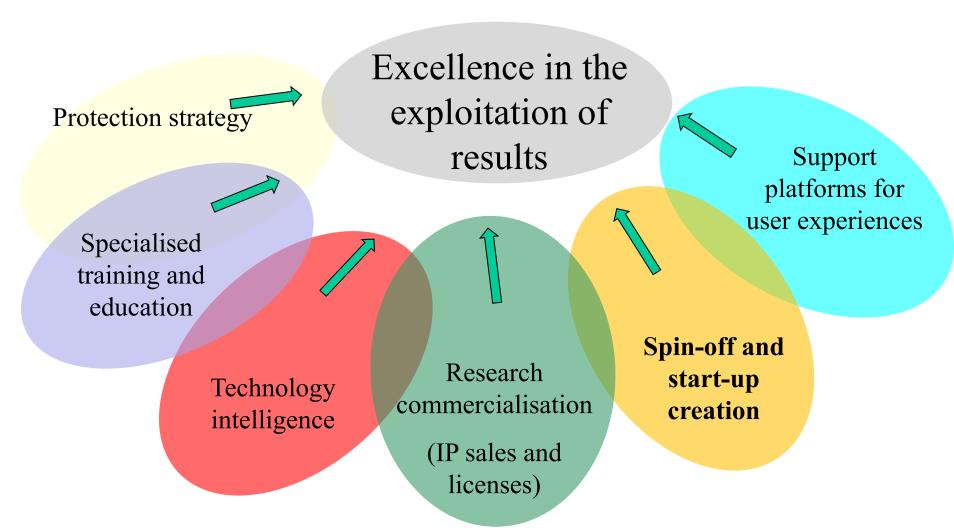


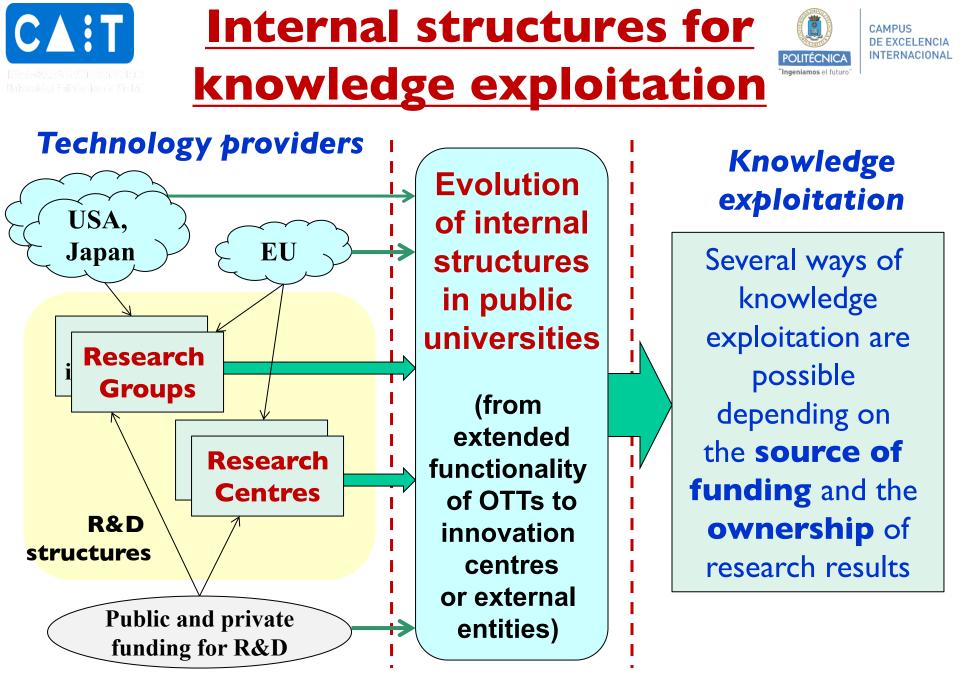
### "Proof of concept"











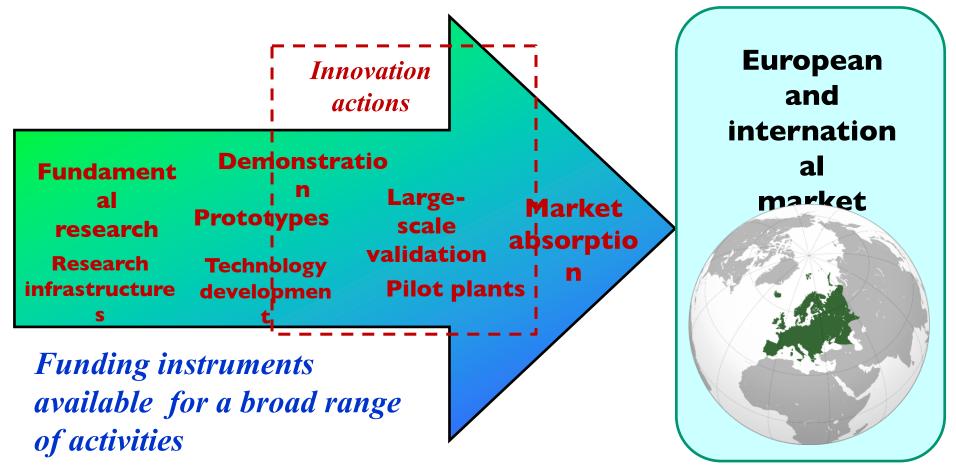


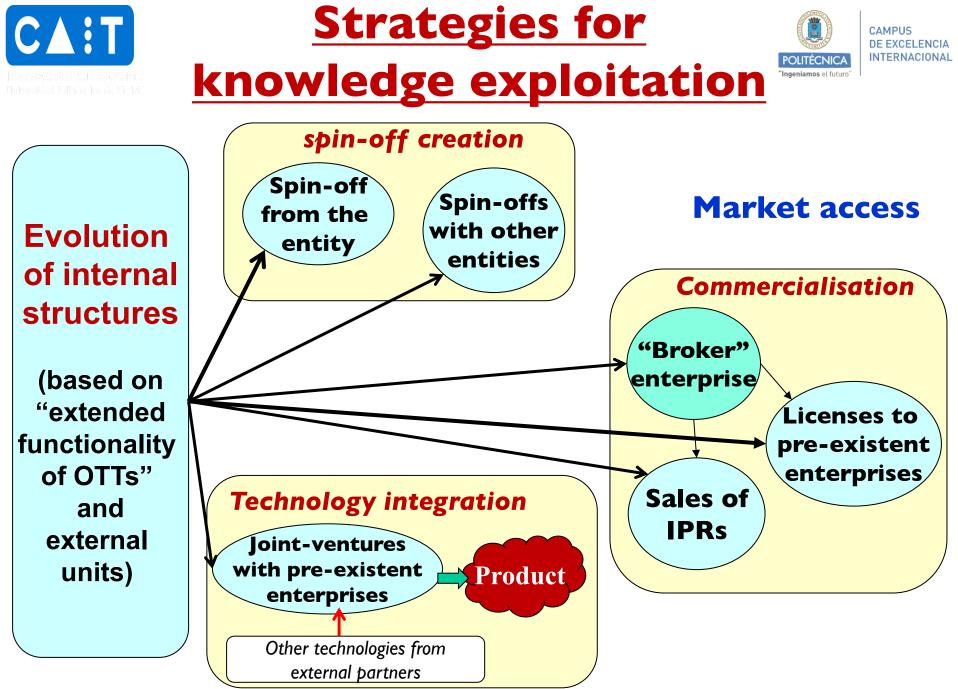




#### "From the idea to the market"

Ambitious goal of H2020 which implies strong commitments from all participating stakeholder to become a reality

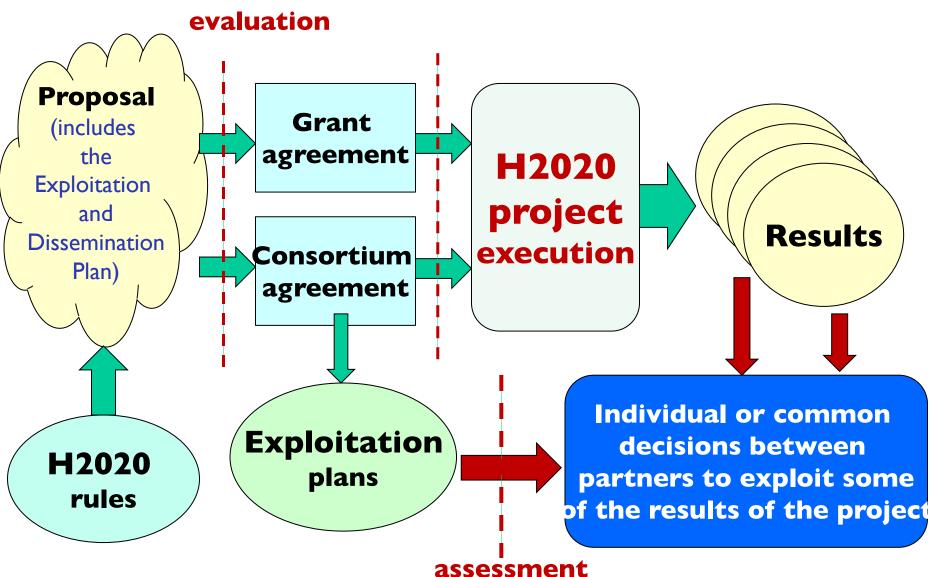








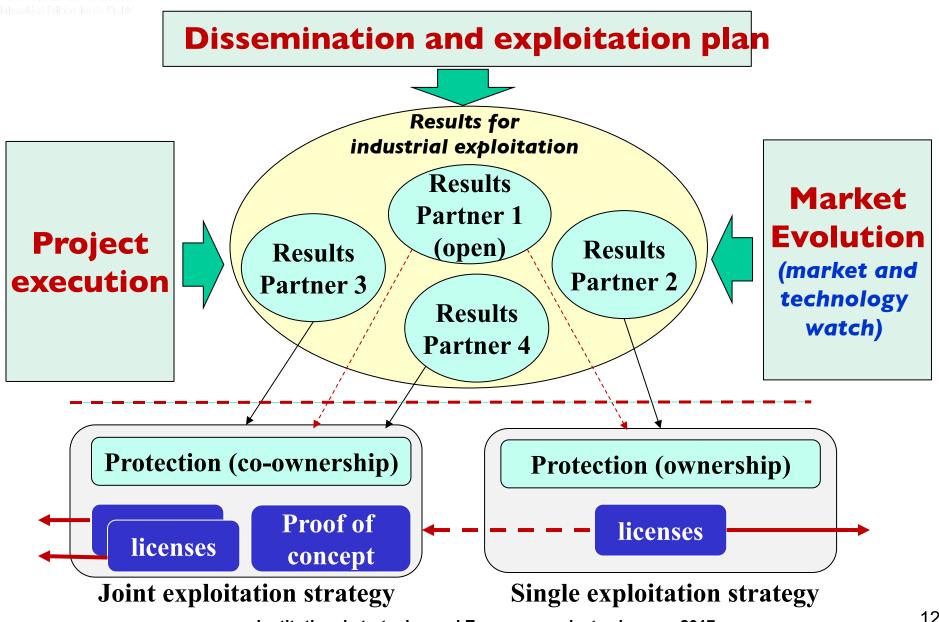






#### **Exploitation in H2020**







## **Conclusions**



- To define an innovation strategy became a fundamental goal for technical universities
  - When a large percentage of activities is related to "applied research" should be part of the institutional goals
- Usually, results are **immature prototypes** 
  - The development of "proof of concepts" is a key activity to be able to exploit the results
- There are many **complementary ways** to hit the international market:

- spin-off, licensing or joint ventures with other partners

- H2020 tries to offer a seamless support from the idea to the market
  - Exploitation and dissemination plans

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