

The Thuringian Innovation Strategy.

You're welcome to join us!



Thuringian Innovation Strategy (RIS3 Thuringia).

Thuringia is among the innovation leaders in Europe. And we intend to get even stronger in that regard. In order to achieve this goal, the Thuringian Innovation Strategy was developed in a process involving a broad range of participants. The Strategy is being implemented since 2015. Its success will depend on the active contributions by stakeholders in Thuringia, more particularly players from the economic sector and academia. **That's your home turf? Then join us in shaping the realization of the Strategy!**

Moreover partners from other regions are invited to contact us to identify possible collaborations. We welcome your ideas and suggestions concerning your field of innovation, for example in the forums. Their potential will be evaluated promptly and where possible, measures serving their implementation will be launched.

Don't miss the chance to:

- » Find suitable backers for your ideas.
- » Build contacts to partners from the business sector, academia, and the political sphere.
- » Benefit from their wide-ranging experiences.
- » Broaden your own knowledge.
- » Actively shape Thuringia's future.



Innovative minds
from the Thuringian economy
and from academia will
explain the opportunities
that RIS3 offers.



Organizational structure.

The successful implementation of the Thuringian Innovation Strategy depends on the active participation by a large number of Thuringian stakeholders. The following structure was put in place in order to steer the implementation of the Strategy:

The **Cluster Board** is the steering group for the Thuringian Innovation Strategy. It confirms the master action plan und makes recommendations for measures, focus topics, and the continued development of the RIS3.

The **RIS3 Task Force** is the link between the Working Groups, the Cluster Board, and the “Grant Management” bodies (TMWWDG, TAB, LEG/ThCM).

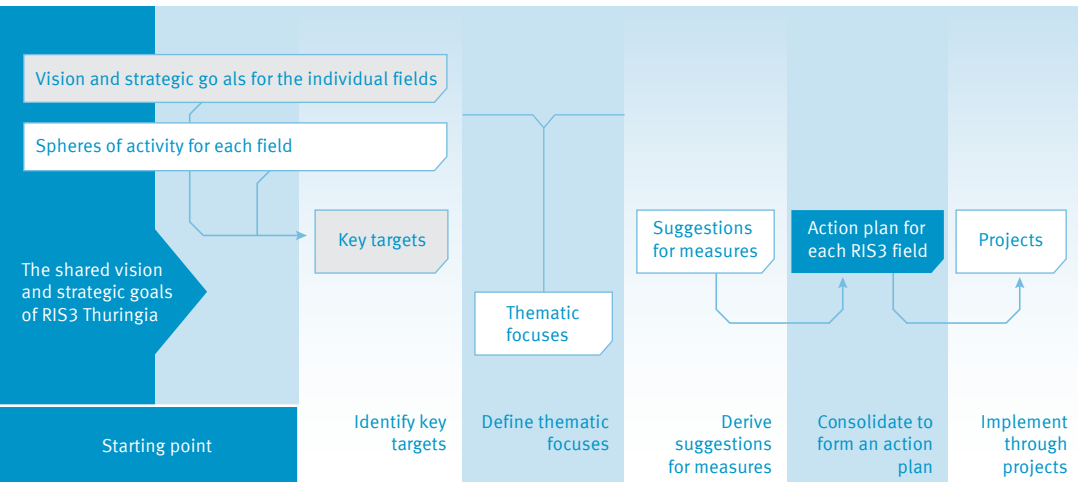
The **Thuringian Cluster Management** handles the tasks of the RIS3 Office and thus is responsible for steering the process-oriented implementation.

The **Working Groups meet** regularly and ensure that the RIS3 Thuringia becomes a reality: They identify trends in innovation, elaborate suggestions for the promotion of specific fields in research and development (R&D), make recommendations for focus topics and measures, and thus provide the key input needed for the field-specific action plans.



All stakeholders interested are welcome to participate in the forums. For entrepreneurs, researchers, and representatives of the political sphere, the direct exchange of experiences and views opens up a whole new form of networking.

Implementation.



As shown in the figure, the overall vision for Thuringia was put into more concrete terms in specific focus topics and individual measures, which were then combined to form an overall, master action plan. At the initiative of the Working Groups, forums were established as open laboratories for exploring and discussing the respective topics. Every stakeholder is welcome to participate in the forums and to contribute further suggestions for measures that might be taken; these suggestions will be used as the basis for updating the action plan.

RIS3 Thuringia – What, Why, Where?

In the summer of 2010, the Council of Europe formally adopted the growth strategy known as “Europe 2020” in order to promote smart, sustainable, and inclusive growth throughout the whole of Europe. The European Commission followed up on this by calling upon each of the 271 European regions to elaborate their own “Regional Research and Innovation Strategy for Smart Specialization (RIS3).” It is central to the European growth strategy that the strengths of each region be identified, distilled, and developed.

More than 500 stakeholders representing the business sector, the scientific community, and various intermediaries took part in the process of discovering the region’s most promising growth fields; they used these findings as a basis to develop a shared vision for Thuringia. The result is “RIS3 Thuringia,” a Thuringian Innovation Strategy comprising five fields of innovation.

» Industrial
production and
systems

» Sustainable
and smart
mobility & logistics

» Healthy living
and the healthcare
sector

» Sustainable
energy supply and
resource management

» Information & communication
technology, innovative and
production-related services

2010

The Council of Europe endorses the
“Europe 2020” strategy

2013/14

The “RIS3 Thuringia” strategy is elaborated

2014

The government of the Land of Thuringia adopts the strategy
and obtains confirmation from the European Commission

2015+

The strategy is implemented

2016

The master action plan is confirmed

2020+

The achievement of the goals is monitored

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*RIS3 Thuringia
in a nutshell*



Have we convinced you?

Then we look forward to hearing from you!



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