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## **Research and Innovation - Elements for a perfect marriage -**



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## Research and Innovation Two concepts Living Apart Together ...

- **RESEARCH** means putting Euros into Knowledge
- **INNOVATION** means putting Knowledge into Euros

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## Boundary conditions to transfer research results into Euros

- Favourable regulatory environment (IPR, Standardisation)
- Qualified skills
- Entrepreneurship
- Cross-border Cooperation
- Adequate funding
- Rationalisation & Simplification

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- No European patent, standardisation is long and complex process
- Only 31% in Europe is highly skilled
- Not enough spin offs, start-ups
- Still barriers to mobility, still no portability of pension rights
- Not enough seed and venture capital
- Still balance to find between accountability and 'trust'

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## Research and Innovation Ways forward from 2010

- High on political agenda Barroso II
- Explicitely mentionned in EU 2020 Strategy
- Nomination of Commissioner for Research AND Innovation
- Preparation of the Innovation Plan

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**Thank you for your attention!**



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