

Norwegian Research Landscape

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Norway – a sparsely populated country in the North



Norwegian economy

- Strong wealth creation, high employment
- Investing the oil revenue
 - Government Pension Fund Global
 - More than USD 540 billion, and growing
 - Largest stock owner in Europe
- Welfare state



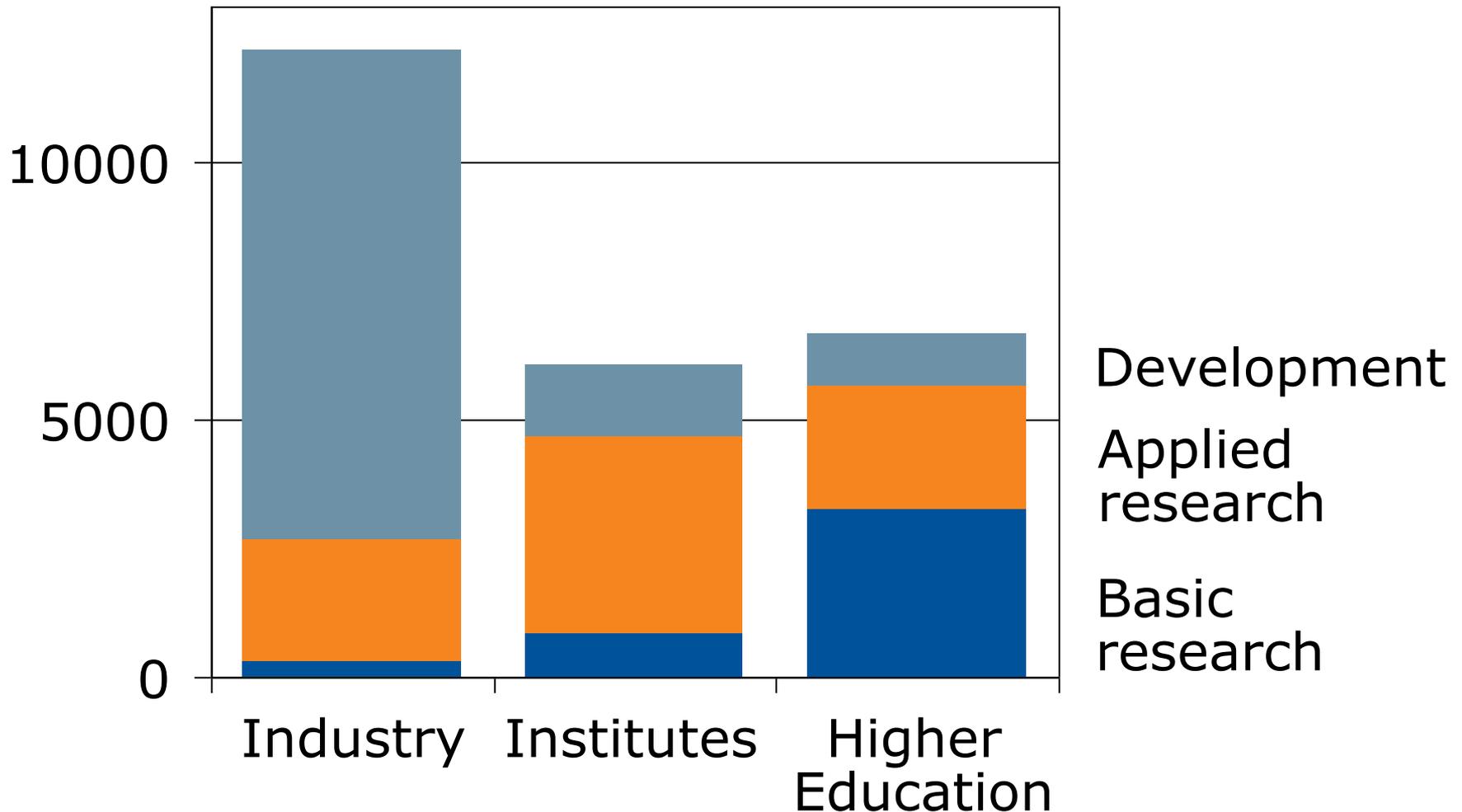
Norway's energy sources and industrial competence

Resource based industries:
Internationally oriented and highly
competitive

- Energy: oil, gas and hydro power
- Fishery: catch and aquaculture
- Shipping and shipbuilding
- Process and material industries:
aluminium and silicon



Three different research sectors with different roles in Norway



Potential Norwegian partners for Czech-Norwegian Research Programme

A. Higher education institutions

- 8 universities
- 9 specialised university institutions
- 20 state university colleges

B. 51 research institutes

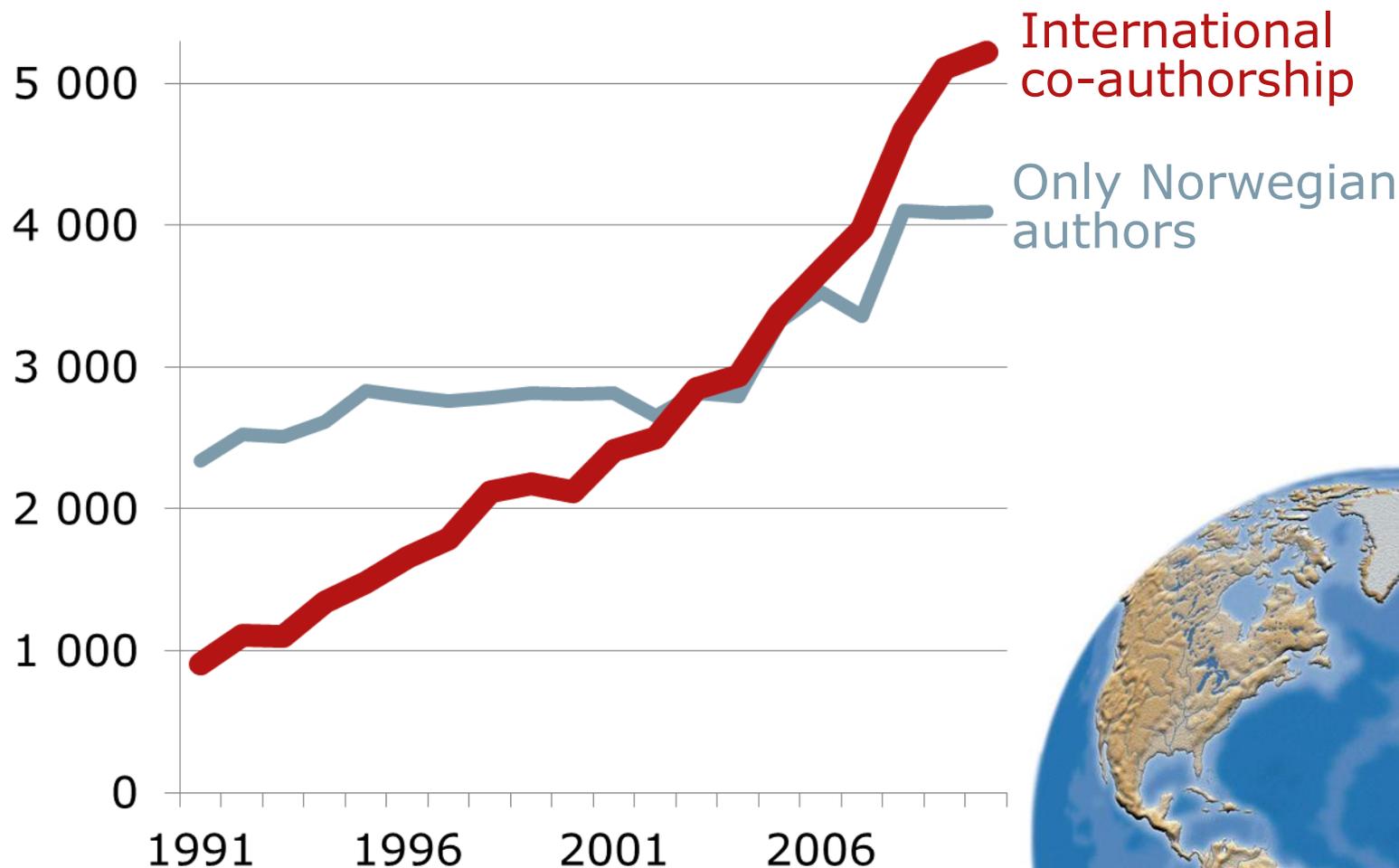
- Technology and industry
- Environment
- Society
- Regional
- Primary sector

C. Institutions with international orientation

D. Centres of excellence or special priority

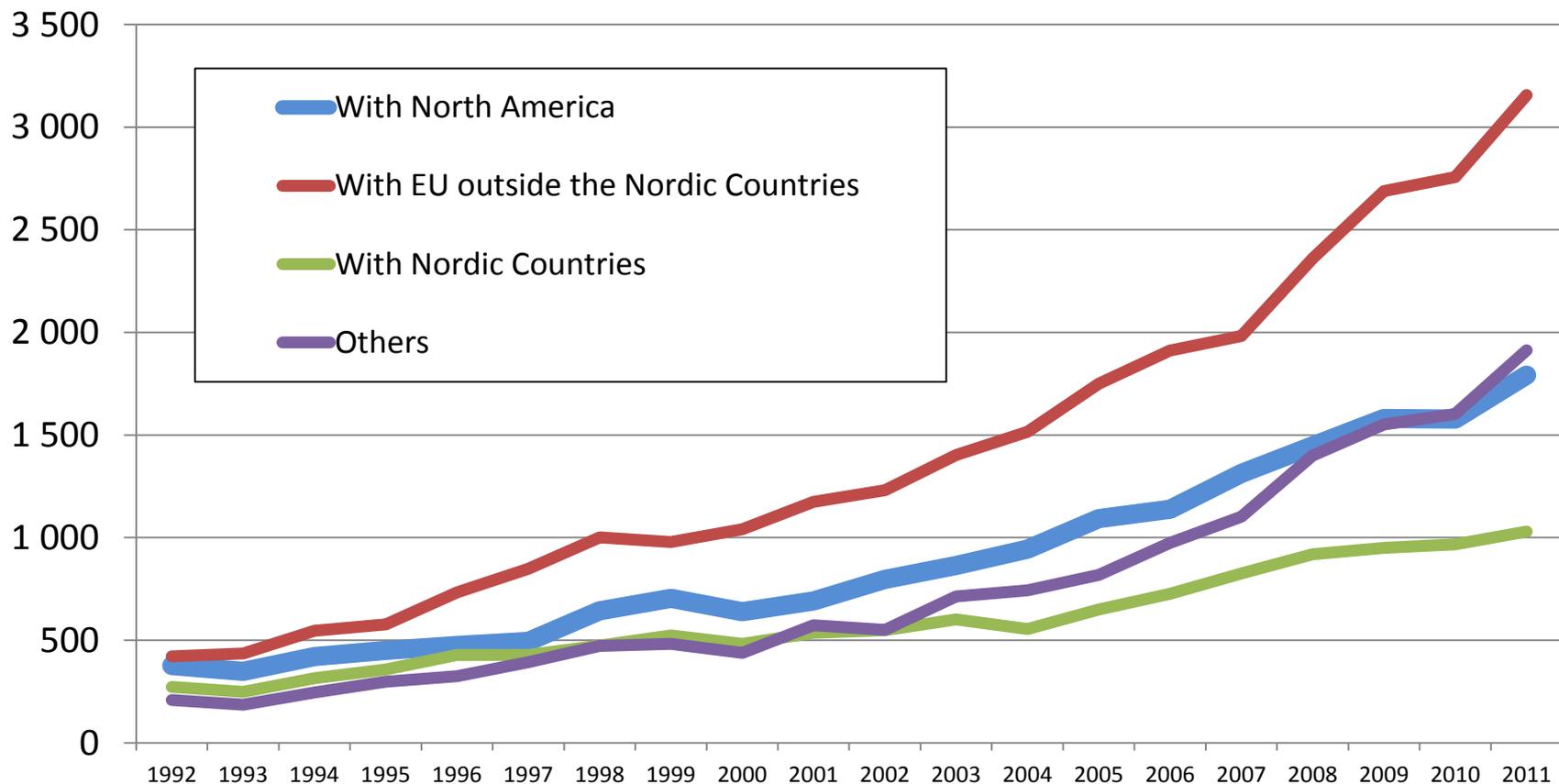


More international research collaboration- articles with Norwegian author(s)



Norwegian co-authorship with four regions

International co-authorship has increased
by 150 percent over the last ten years



Norwegian R&D-production

- fields above Norway's overall share (0,75)

Field	% papers from Norway	Impact vs. world (citations-per-paper)
Geosciences	2,04	+26
Environment/Ecology	1,48	+39
Plant & Animal Science	1,23	+34
Economics & Business	1,21	Even
Social Sciences	1,07	+8
Psychiatry/Psychology	1,01	-18
Immunology	0,96	-11
Clinical Medicine	0,86	+41
Agricultural Sciences	0,82	+38
Neuroscience & Behavior	0,77	+11

SOURCE: Science Watch.

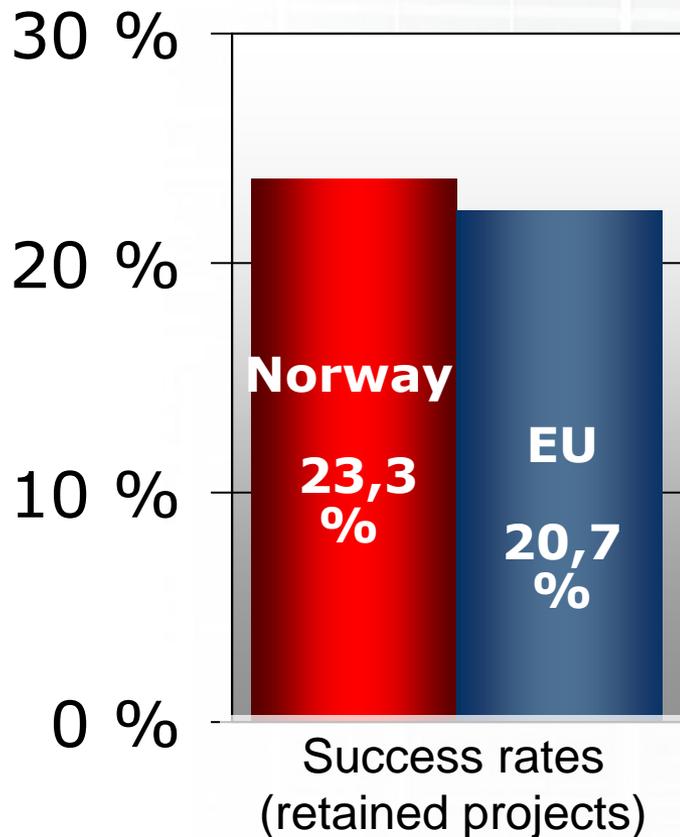
Norwegian R&D-production - citations above world field average (%)

Other fields	Impact vs. world (citations-per-paper)
Microbiology	+20
Mathematics	+36
Space Science	+43
Physics	+50



SOURCE: Science Watch.

C. Norwegian participation in EU FP7 (as per March 2013)

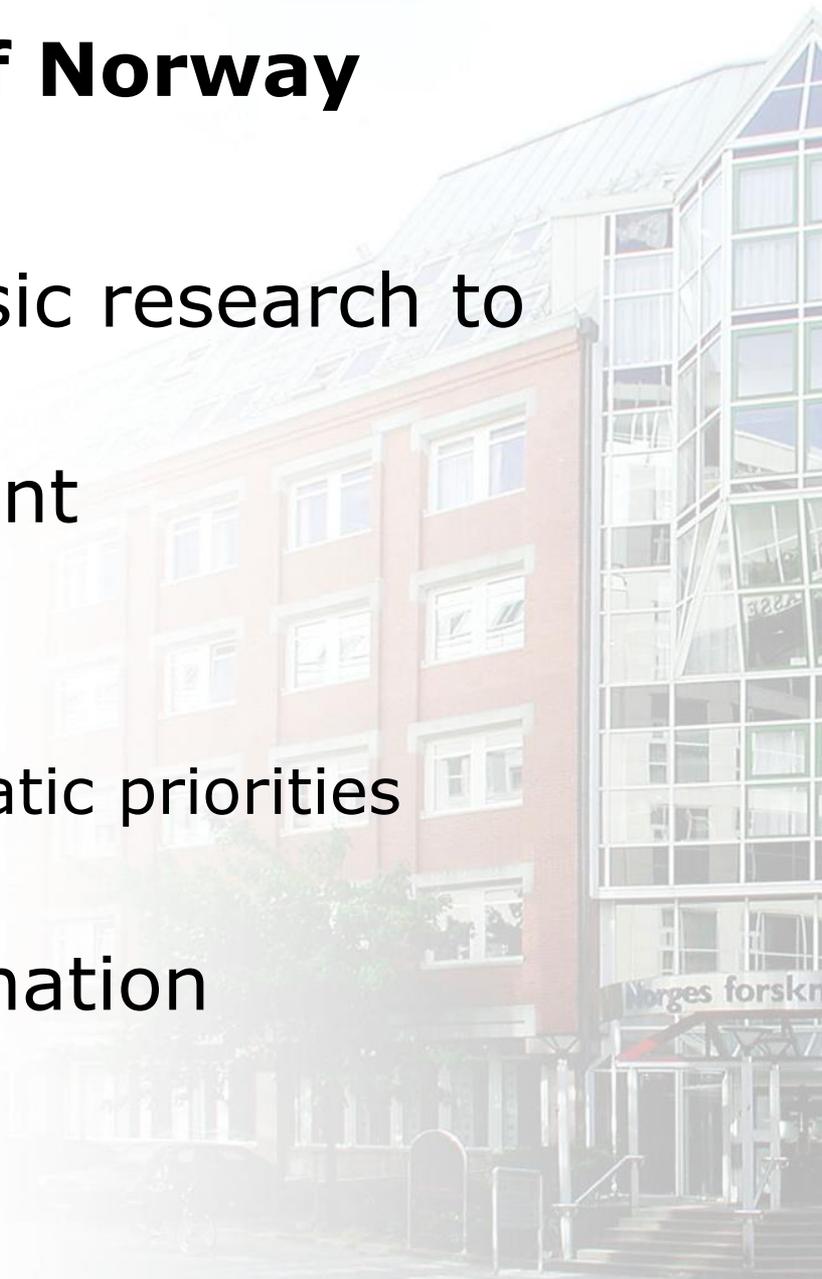


- Norway participates in over 6 % of all FP7 projects
- 1218 Norwegian projects retained
- 23% of those projects are coordinated from Norway
- EU-contribution 4,2 billion NOK
- about 5300 researchers from Norwegian institutions involved
- Collaborative relationships with 121 countries



The Research Council of Norway

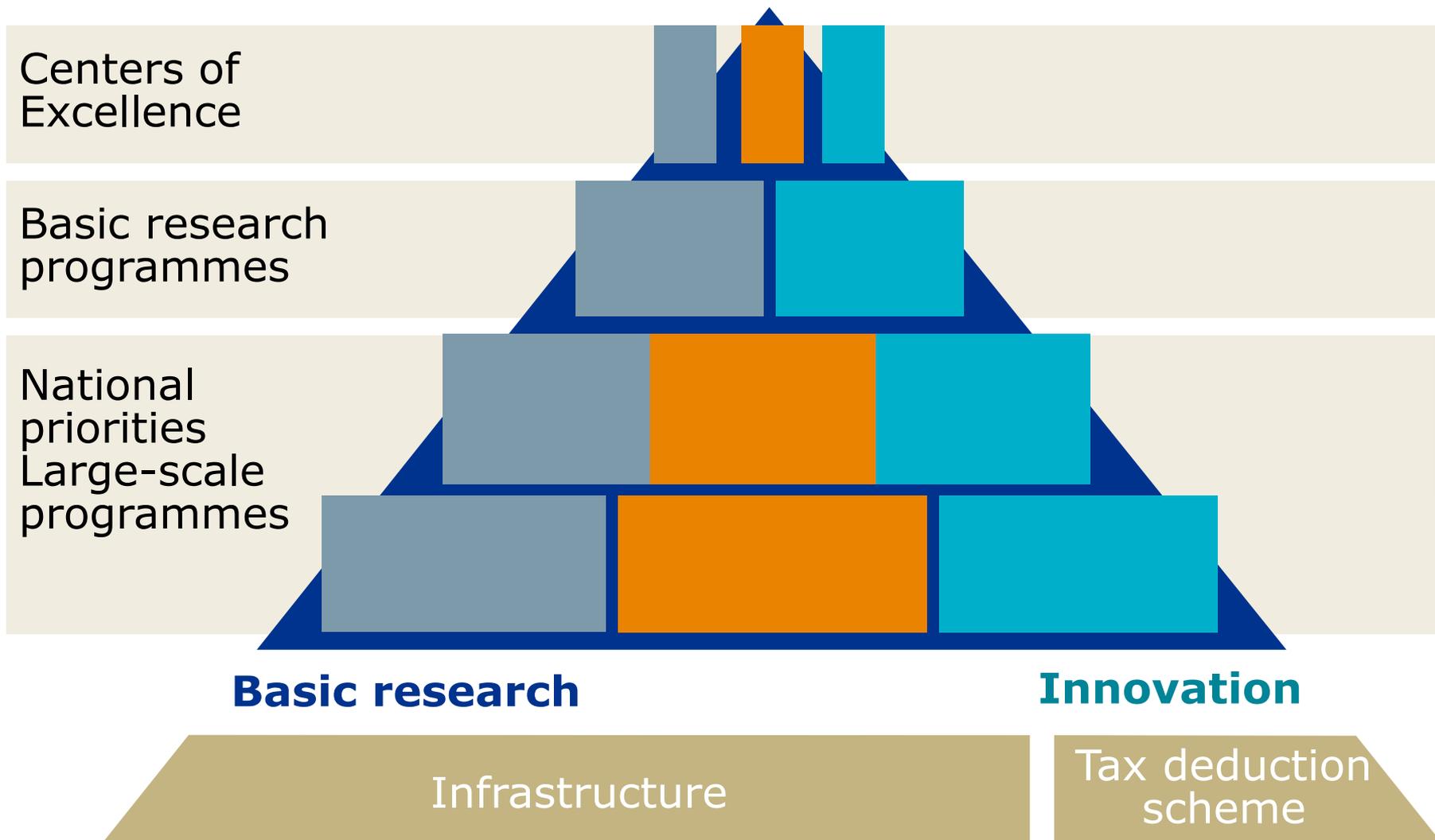
- Cover all fields, from basic research to development
- Adviser to the government
- Research funding
 - Support basic research
 - Implement national thematic priorities
 - Support private R&D
- Networking and dissemination
- Internationalization



The Research Council distributes about 30 % of total public spending on R&D in Norway



National research funding schemes



Important funding instrument: **Large-scale programmes**

- Strategic, long-term knowledge development to meet national research-policy priorities
- Strategic and dynamic arena for communication and cooperation

Large-scale
Programmes

The RCN initiative
to meet national
research priorities



BIOTEK2012
Biotechnology for
Innovation



PETROMAKS
Optimal Management
of Petroleum Resources



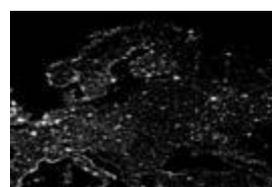
NANO2012
Nanotechnology
and New Materials



NORKLIMA
Climate Change and
its Impacts in Norway



AQUACULTURE
An Industry in
Growth



VERDIKT
Core Competence
and Growth in ICT



RENERGI
Clean Energy
for the Future

NEW

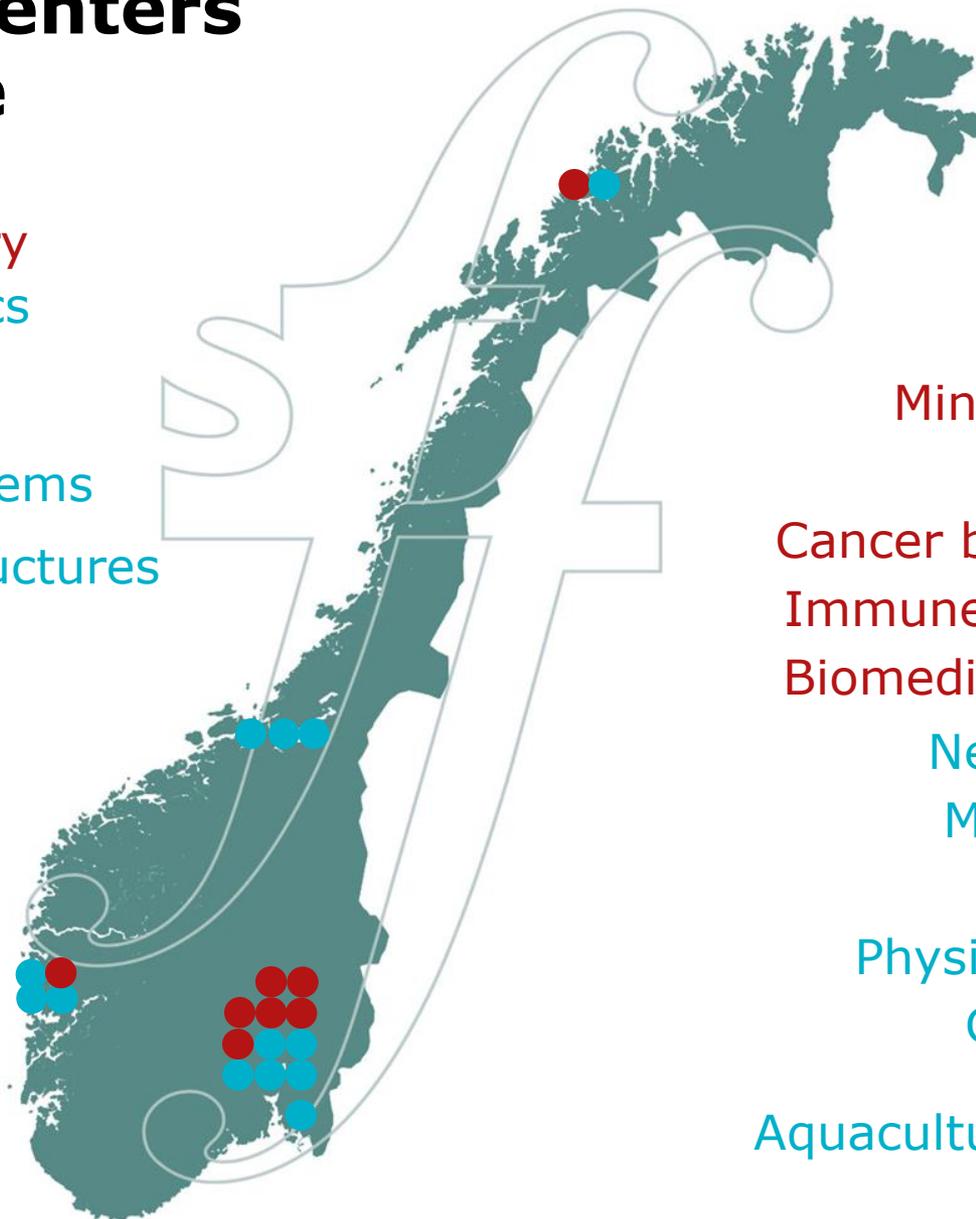
Health and welfare
under development

Norwegian Centers of Excellence

Theoretical chemistry
Theoretical linguistics

Communication systems
Ships and ocean structures
Biology of memory

Geo- biosphere
Climate research
Medieval studies
Petroleum research



2003

2008

Economics
Mind in Nature
Ecology
Cancer biomedicine
Immune regulation
Biomedicine and IT
Neuroscience
Mathematics
Civil wars
Physics/Geology
Geohazards

Aquaculture protein

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Theoretical chemistry

Arctic Gas Hydrate

Autonomous Marine Operations

Molecular Inflammation

Neural Computation

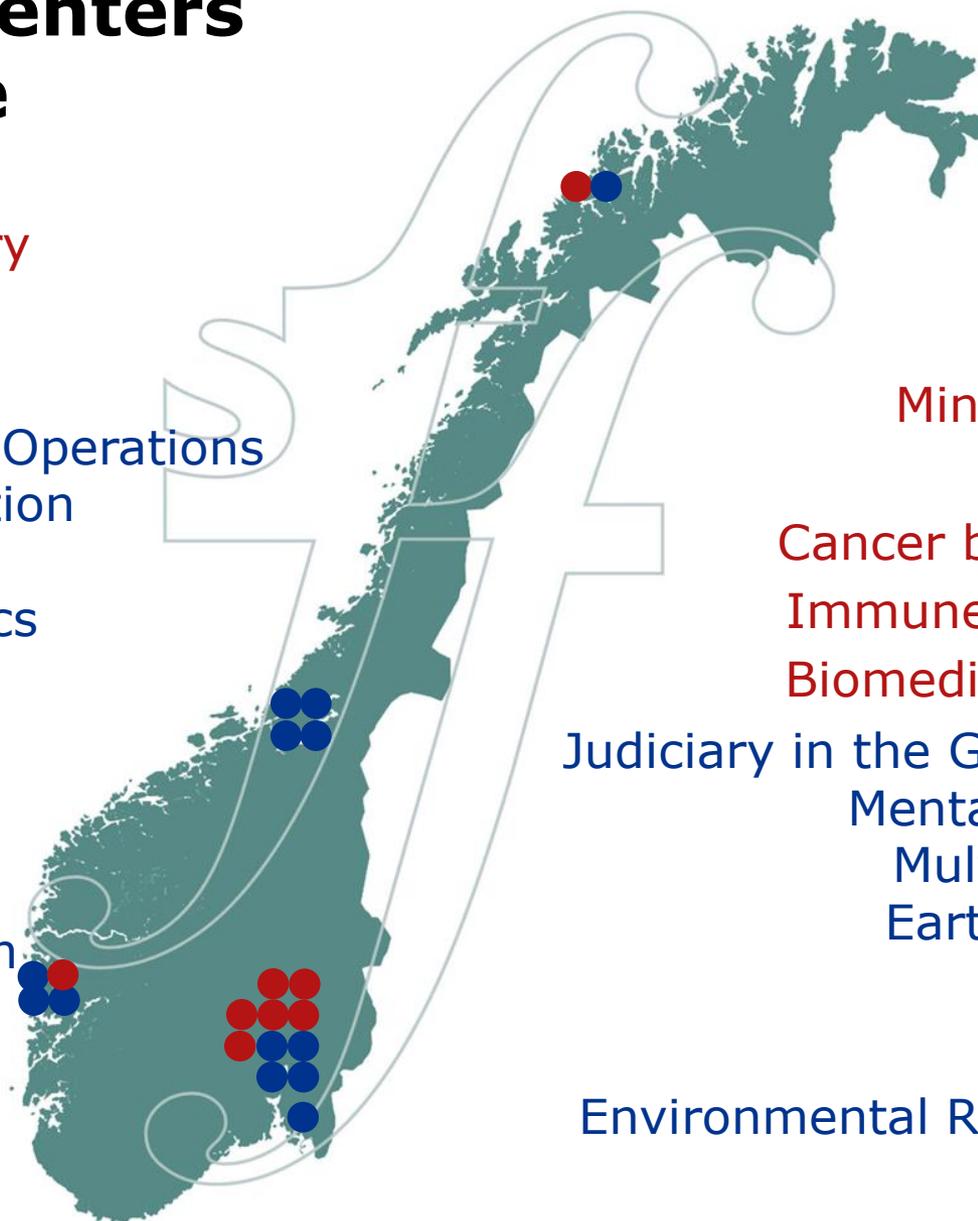
Biodiversity Dynamics

Geo- biosphere

Space Science

Maternal and Child Health

Cancer Biomarkers



2003

2008

2013

Economics

Mind in Nature

Ecology

Cancer biomedicine

Immune regulation

Biomedicine and IT

Judiciary in the Global Order

Mental Disorders

Multilingualism

Earth Evolution

Environmental Radioactivity

Our role in EEA and Norway Grants

Donor Programme Partner in research

- advises on programme development and implementation
- facilitates contact and information flow
- nominates Norwegian members of Programme Committee (PC)
- observer status in PC

Flow of good practice

- Czech Republic
- Latvia
- Estonia
- Poland
- Hungary
- Romania
- Norway

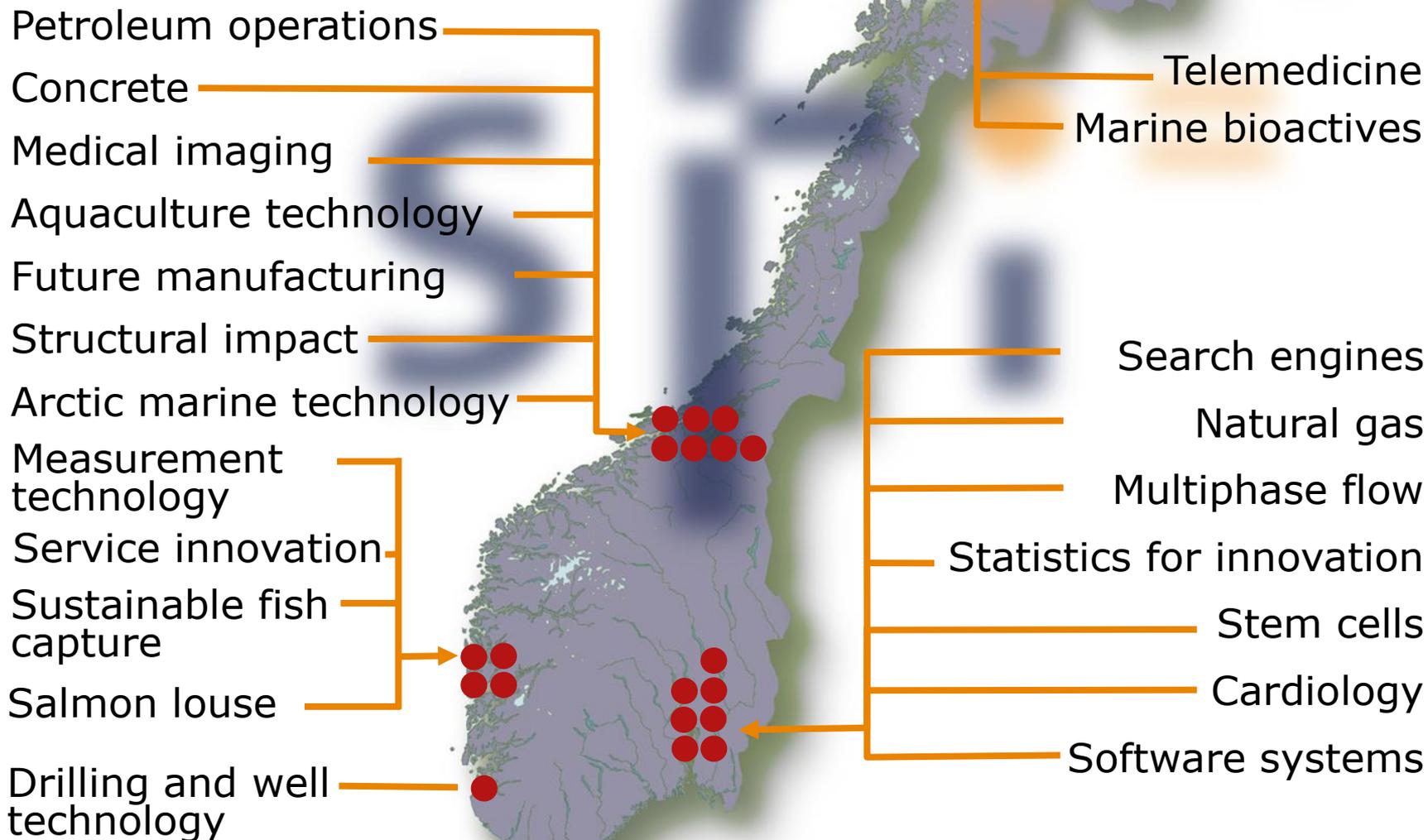


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D. Centres for Research-based Innovation



D. Centres for Environment-friendly Energy Research

Climate, energy
and industry

CO₂ capture
and storage

Offshore
wind technology

Offshore
wind energy

CO₂ storage

Renewable
energy systems

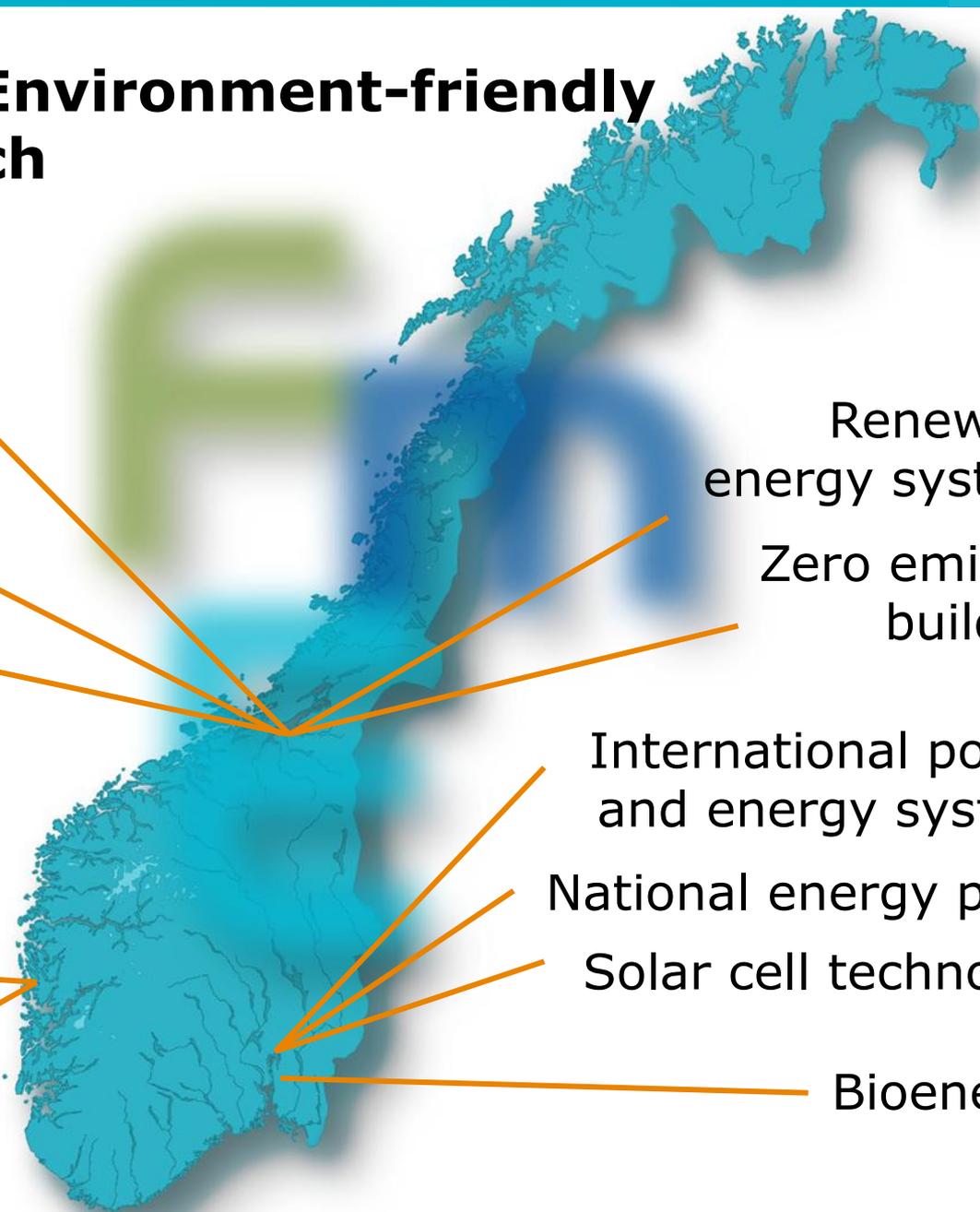
Zero emission
buildings

International politics
and energy systems

National energy policy

Solar cell technology

Bioenergy





Infrastructure

A roadmap for investment

National Financing Initiative for Research Infrastructure

- 40 projects funded so far
- Promote cooperation with best international research groups
- Secure equal access to infrastructure

Example of implemented large-scale facility:

- Biobank Norway
(NTNU, UiT, UiO, UiB, FHI, 4 Regional Health Authorities)

