

# Processes4Planet

*Processes 4 Planet Roadmap: ambitions and targets*

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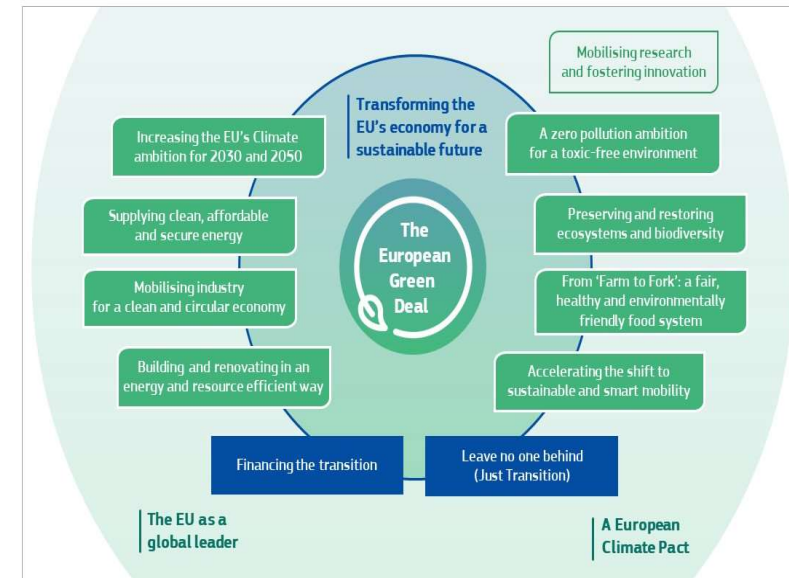
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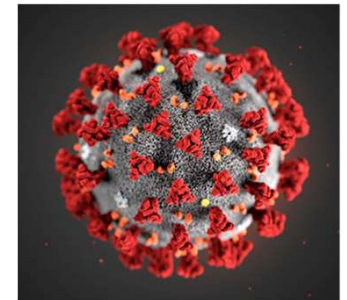
# 2020 looked promising: A first real policy toward climate neutrality

- **European Green Deal (CO<sub>2</sub>-emission reduction: 55% in 2030, 100 % in 2050)**
- **European Circularity Action Plan**
- **European Industrial Action Plan**
- **Farm to Fork Strategy**
- **European Climate Law**
- **Europe Climate Bank, Green Financing Strategy**
- **Green Taxonomy Financing**
- **Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (+ ETS)**
- **Just Transition Mechanism**
  
- **Climate Pact: give citizens a voice and role**  
→ **Global response**



# If a small tiny virus can hit us so, what can we expect from climate change?

- European Economic Recovery Plan (21 July)
- Fund approved by Parliament of 750 billion €
- Next Generation EU (16 September)
  
- Start at 1 January 2021 (includes 27 national recovery plans)
  
- Strong conditions for green investments (>32%)
- Health plan for Europe
  
- Resilience: we realized to be very vulnerable to small changes



→ We must go a gear higher

# Process Industry ambition in line with Green Deal

A vibrant community with a common strategic Vision

## A.SPIRE – European cross-sectorial association



DG R&I  
DG Grow  
DG ENE



## PROCESSES4PLANET

**2050**  
Process  
Industries

- ✓ Develop & deploy climate-neutral solutions
- ✓ Closing the energy and feedstock loops
- ✓ Achieve global leadership of the Process Industry
- ✓ Accelerate innovation & unlock public-private investments

## OPEN APPROACH: inclusive of different stakeholders and welcoming Newcomers

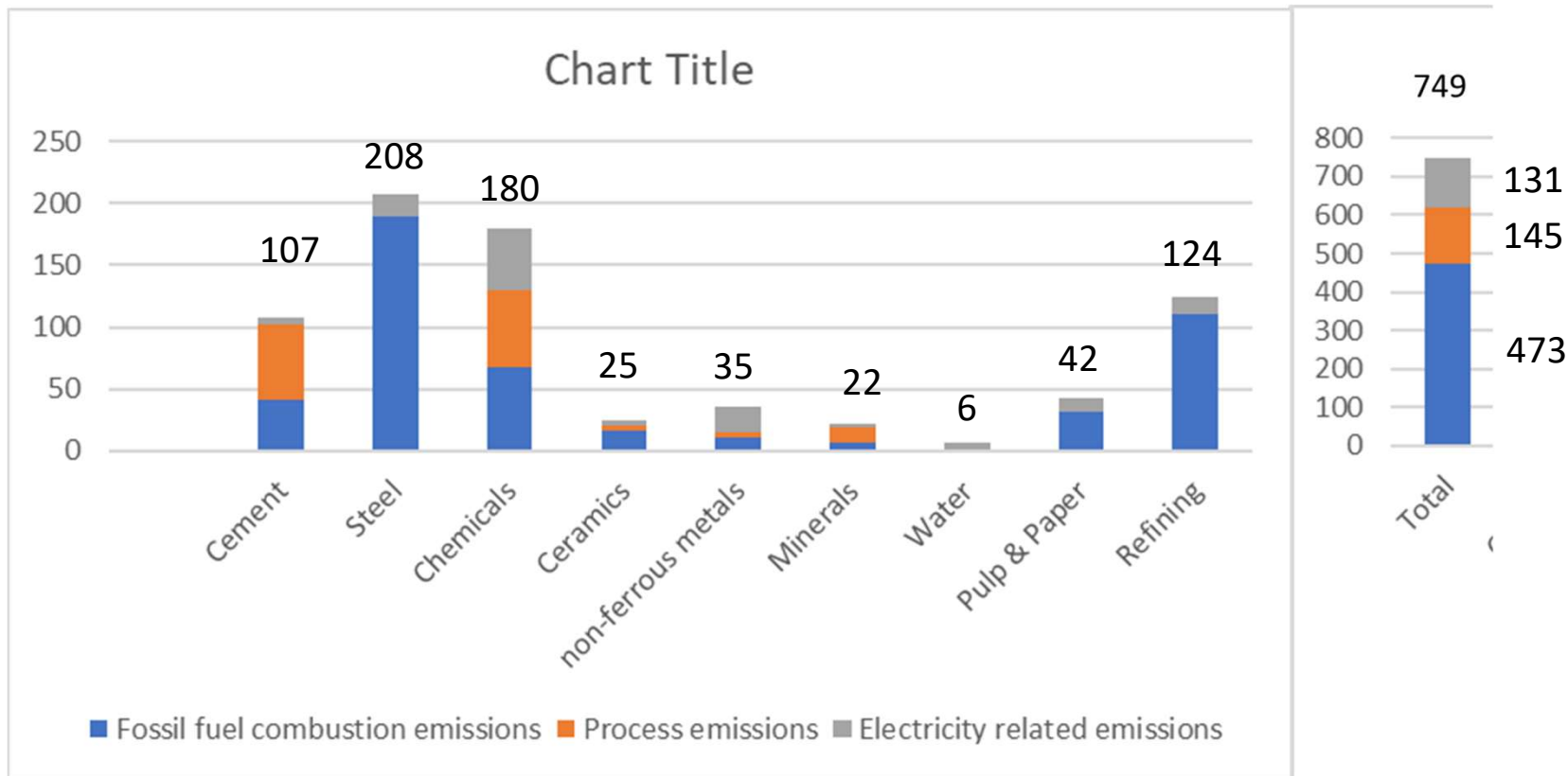
- Industries, incl. SMEs
- Industrial Associations & Clusters
- Consultancies

- RTOs
- Higher Education Institutions
- NGOs

- Public institutions
- Innovation Agencies
- MS and Regional representatives

- Partnerships & EITs
- Financial parties
- New sectors

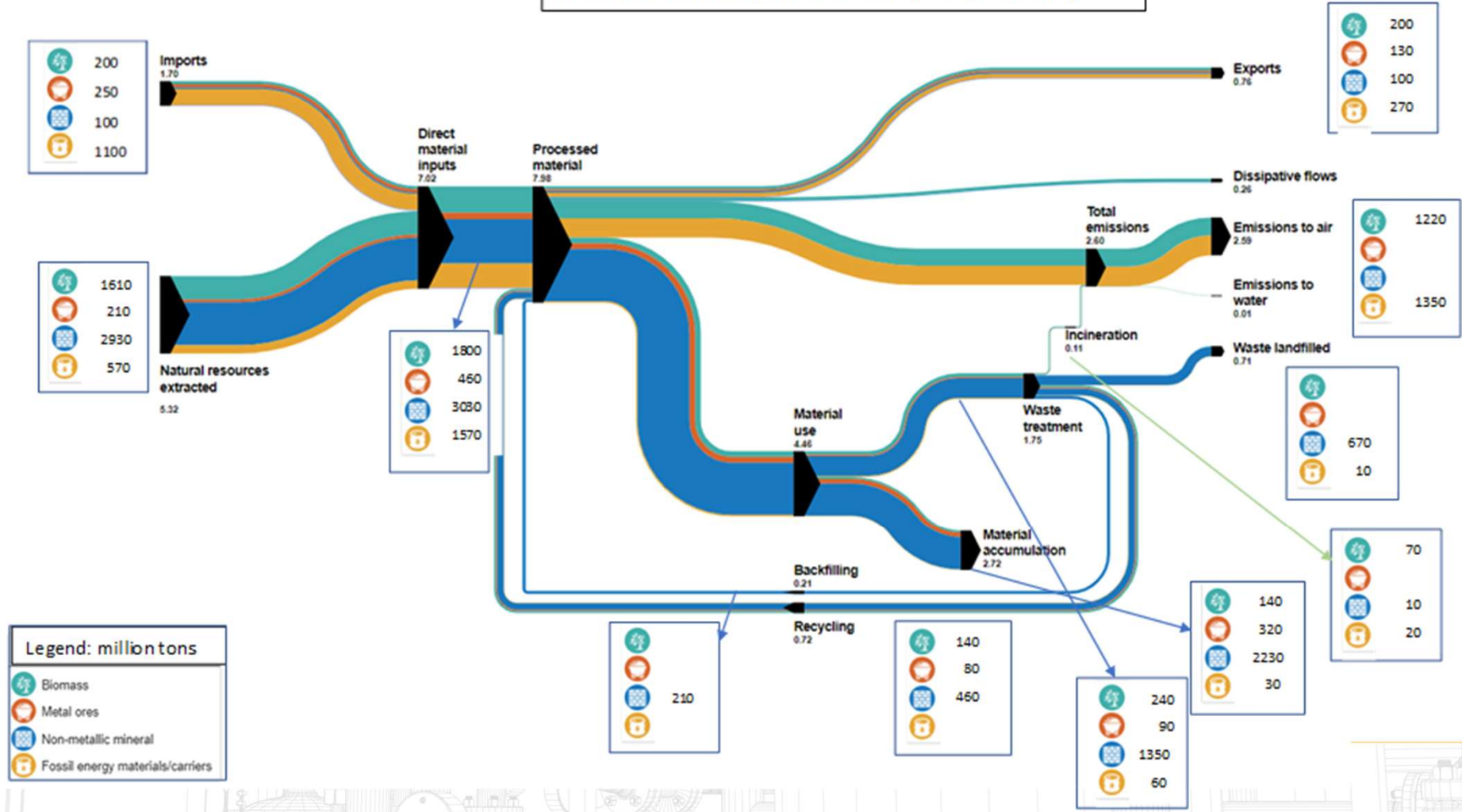
# Problem: High impact on climate > 700 Mtons CO2 emissions



# Problem: Linear business models

## > 1500 Mtons wastes at the end of the value chains

Feedstock flows in EU-27 (2017, Eurostat)

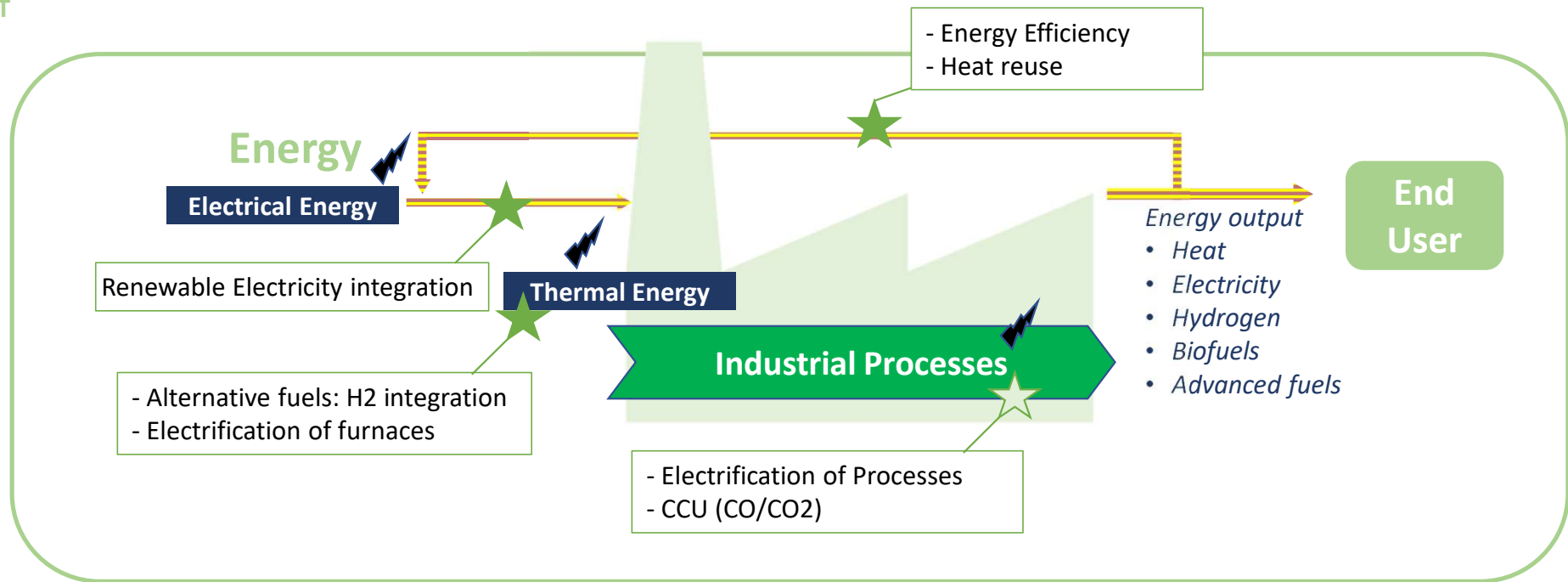


# CLIMATE NEUTRALITY AMBITION

## DISRUPTIVE PROCESS INNOVATION TO ABATE GHG EMISSIONS

From fossil and low energy mix

To efficient integration of renewables and valorisation of process emissions



Towards net-zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

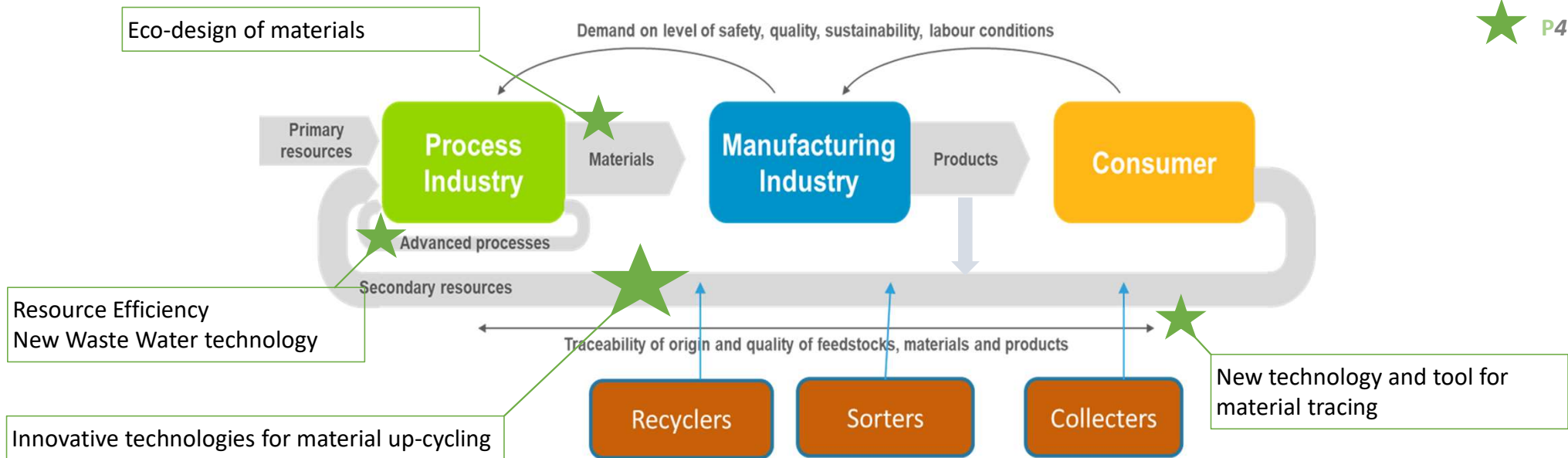


# CIRCULAR RESOURCES AMBITION

## DISRUPTIVE PROCESS INNOVATION TO CLOSE THE LOOPS

Moving away from: Landfilling, Incineration and Recycling at the end of a linear value chain

**To UPCYCLING** large volumes of secondary resources reused by the PI in a circular value chain



Near zero-landfilling / Near zero-water discharge



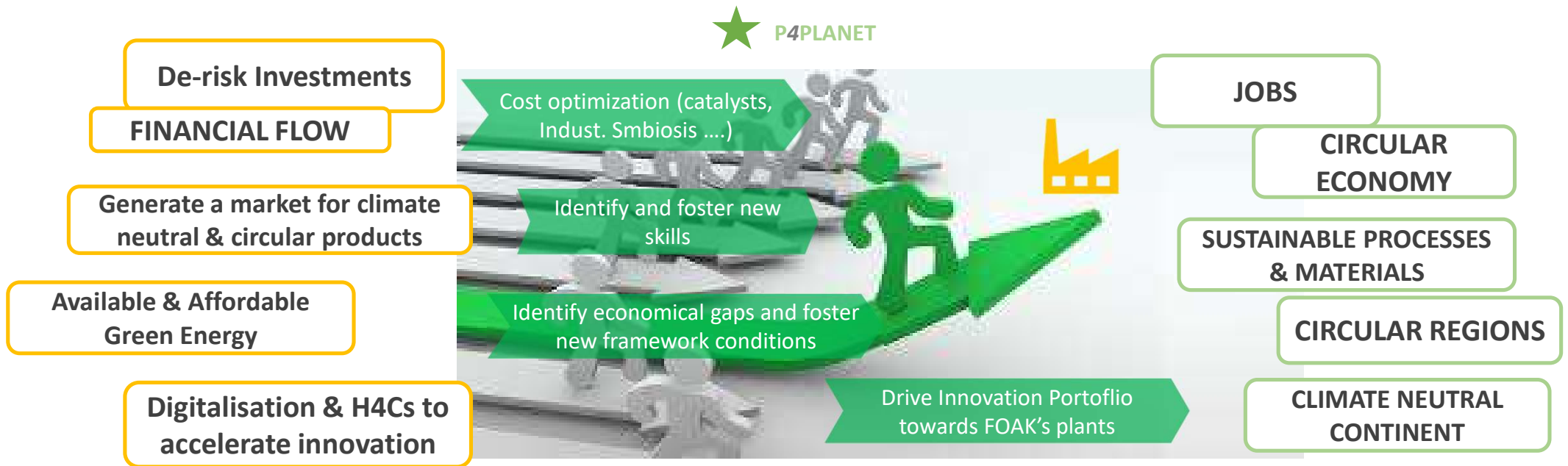
# COMPETITIVENESS AMBITION

DISRUPTIVE PROCESS INNOVATION TO TRANSFORM PROCESS INDUSTRY GLOBALLY



EU Process Industries are highly exposed to global competition

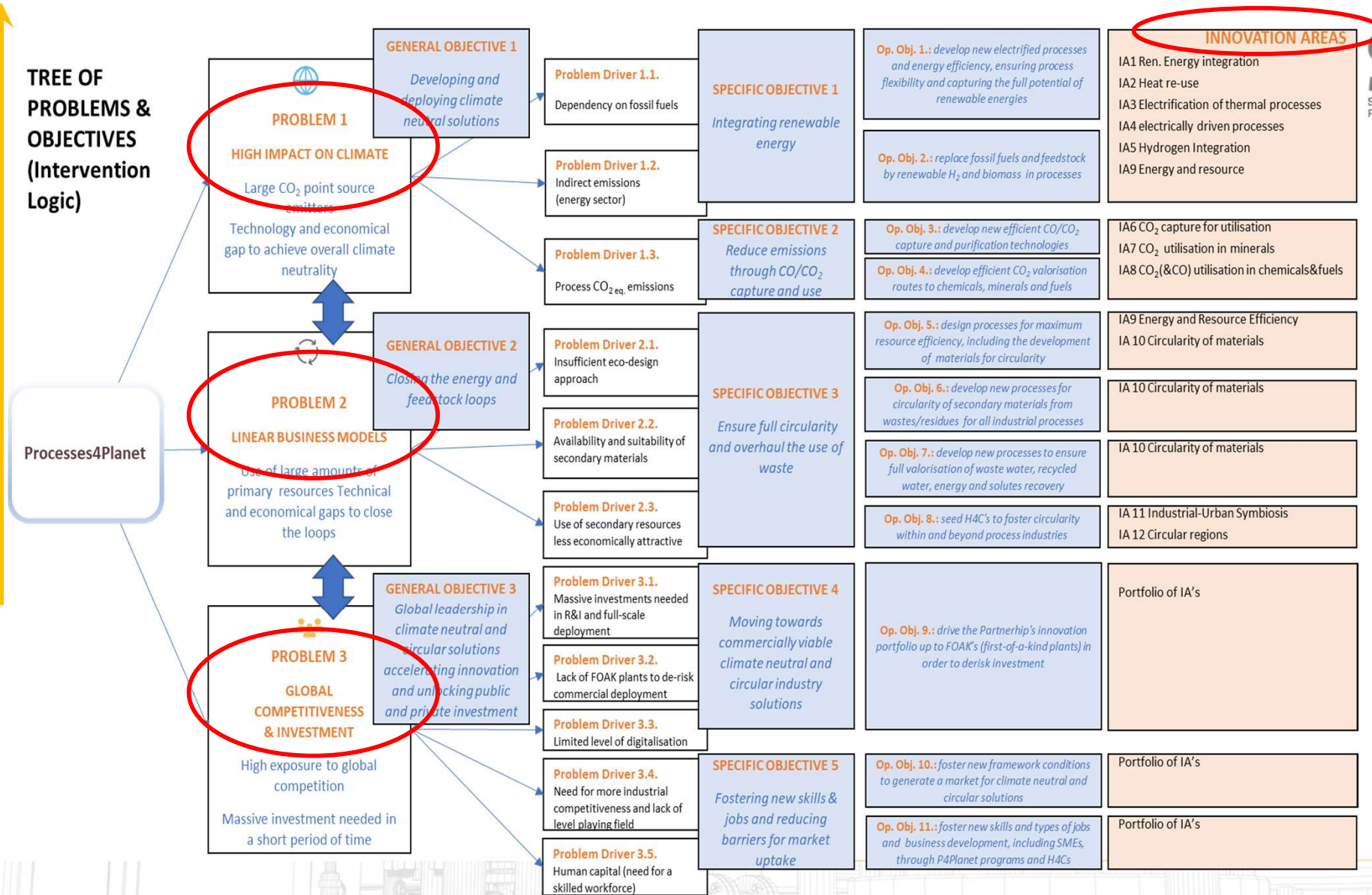
## UNLOCKING PRIVATE INVESTMENTS & THE BARRIERS TO MARKET FOR CLIMATE NEUTRAL & CIRCULAR SOLUTIONS



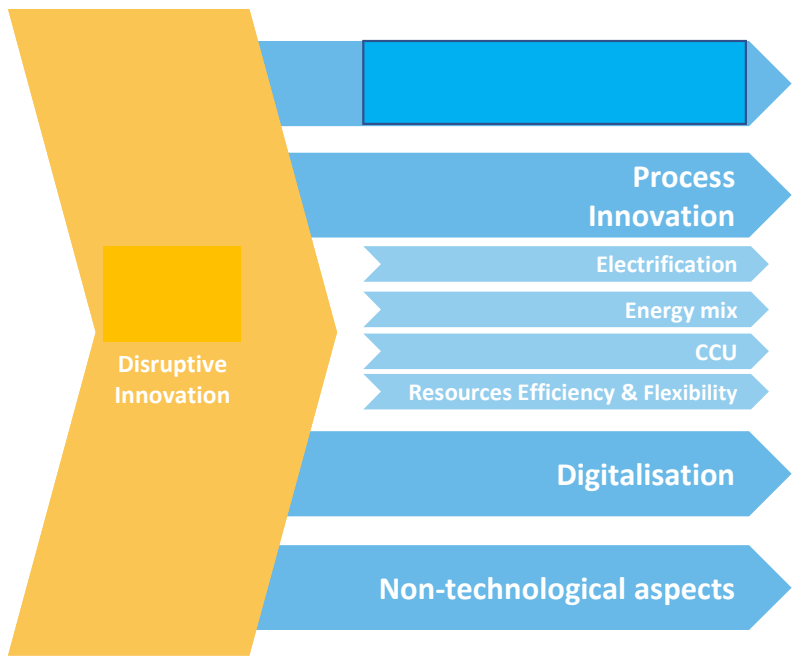
EU Process Industry's GVA to grow quicker than the EU GDP

# Intervention Logic

## TREE OF PROBLEMS & OBJECTIVES (Intervention Logic)



# We need to start now, the way is long



Progress up until milestone year<sup>1</sup>

Innovation area	2024	2030	2040	2050
Renewable energy integration				
Heat reuse				
Electrification of thermal processes				
Electrically-driven processes				
Hydrogen integration				
CO <sub>2</sub> capture for utilisation				
CO <sub>2</sub> utilisation in minerals				
CO <sub>2</sub> & CO utilisation in chemicals and fuels				
Energy and resource efficiency				
Circularity of materials				
Industrial-Urban symbiosis				
Circular regions				
Digitalisation				
Non-technological aspects				

<sup>1</sup> Progress is depicted here as % of total TRL9 projects programmed in each area, and for circular regions, digitalisation, and non-technological aspects % of total investment needs until 2050

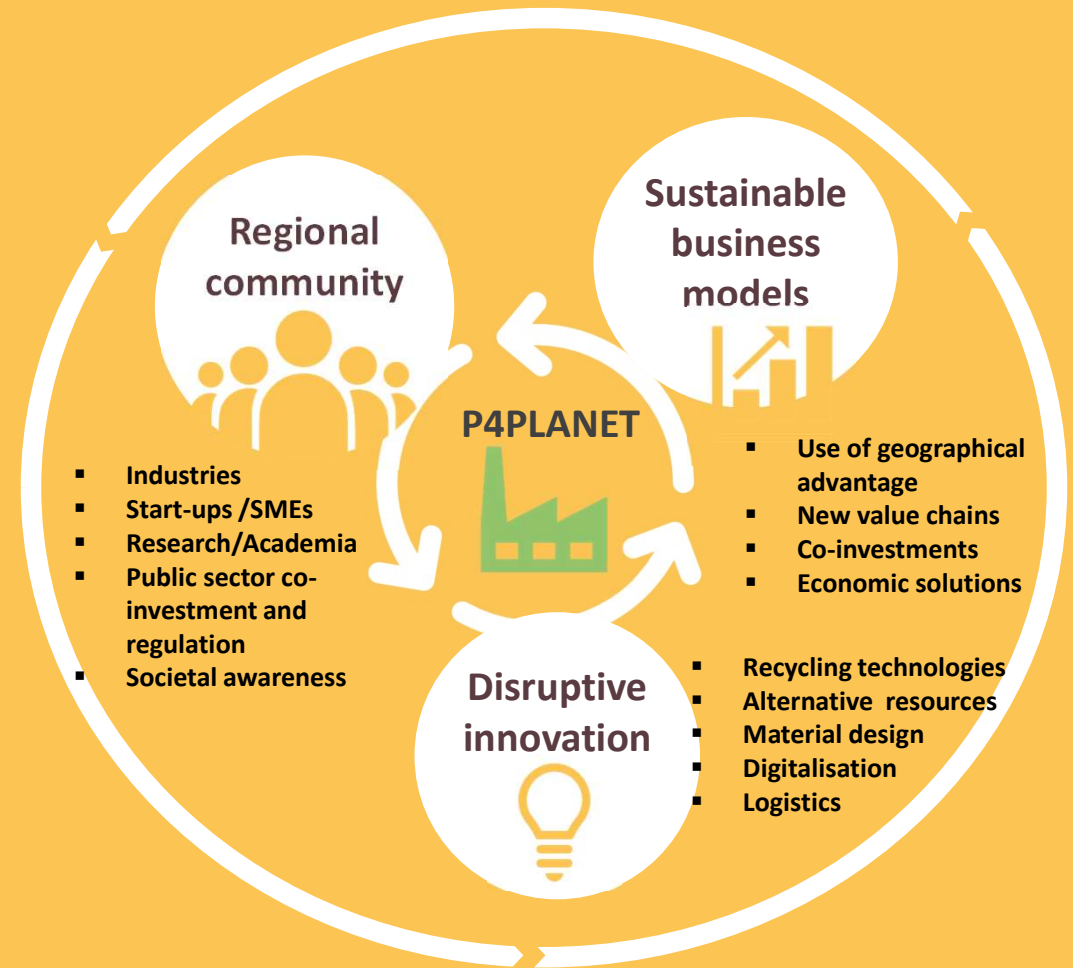


# HUBS FOR CIRCULARITY

## THE CONCEPT

Self-sustaining economic industrial ecosystems for **full-scale Industrial-Urban Symbiosis and Circular Economy**, closing energy, resource and data loops and bringing together all relevant stakeholders, technologies, infrastructures, tools and instruments necessary for their incubation, implementation, evolution and management.

- Territorial systemic solutions with integration of interregional recycling value chains
- **Processes4Planet inside!**
- Facilitation necessary to overcome non-technological barriers to symbiosis



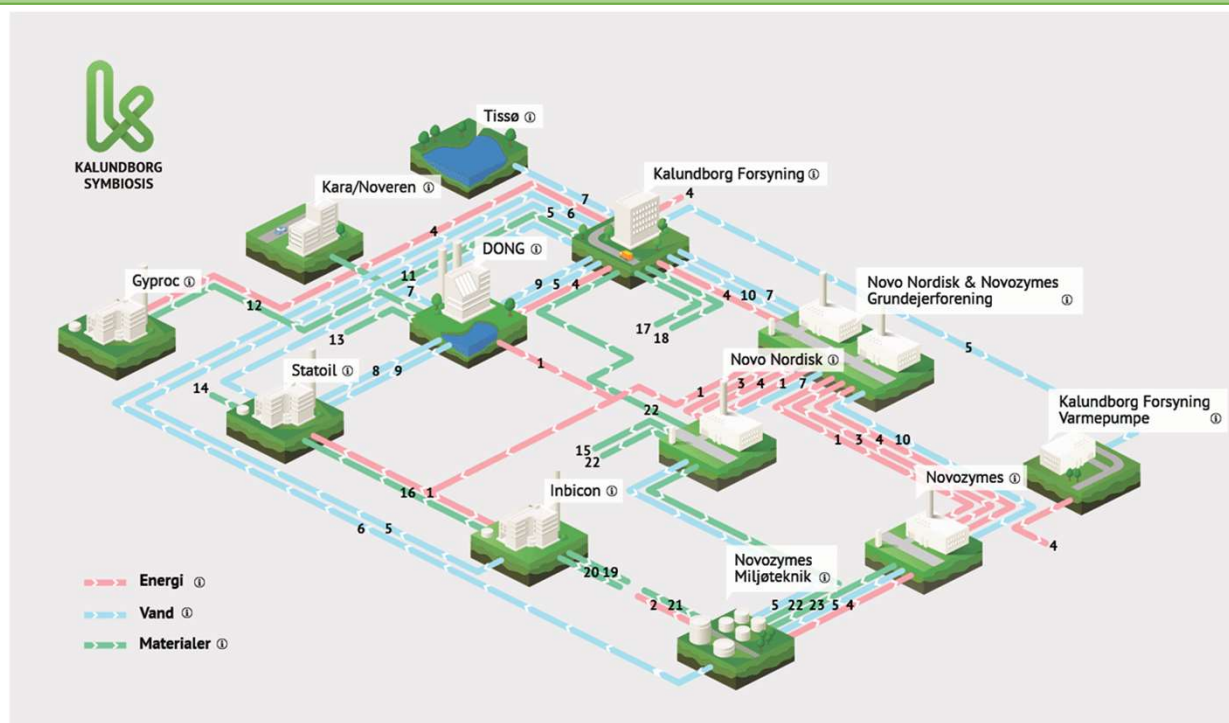


# Industrial Symbiosis in a Circular Economy

Image: The Kalundborg example

Reduce waste, emissions, pollution – become climate neutral by 2050

Physically connected plants to use underutilised resources of one in another



Connection of **geographically close units** to keep resources in the loop as long as possible

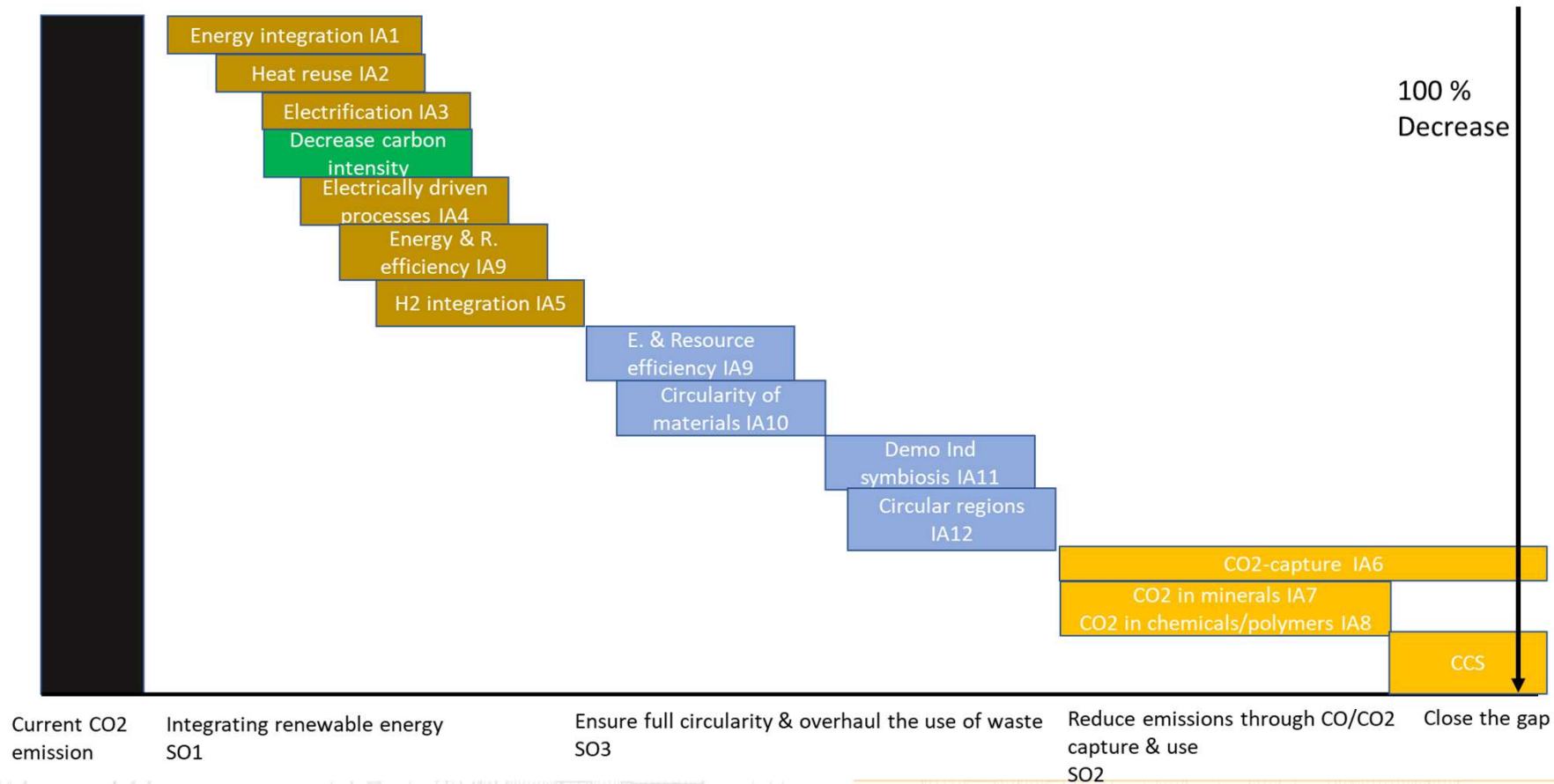
**Process optimisation, downstream, electrification, hydrogen, energy mix, digitalisation, non-technological barriers**

In EU, > 130 M€ have been invested in methodologies and tools facilitating the uptake of IS, mainly for the assessment of potential solutions and synergies among companies. **But still barriers exist.**

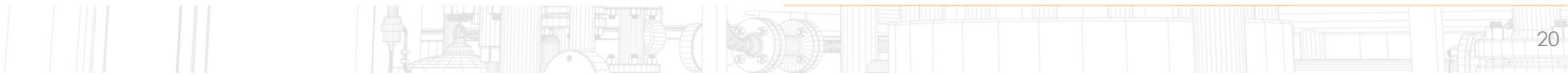
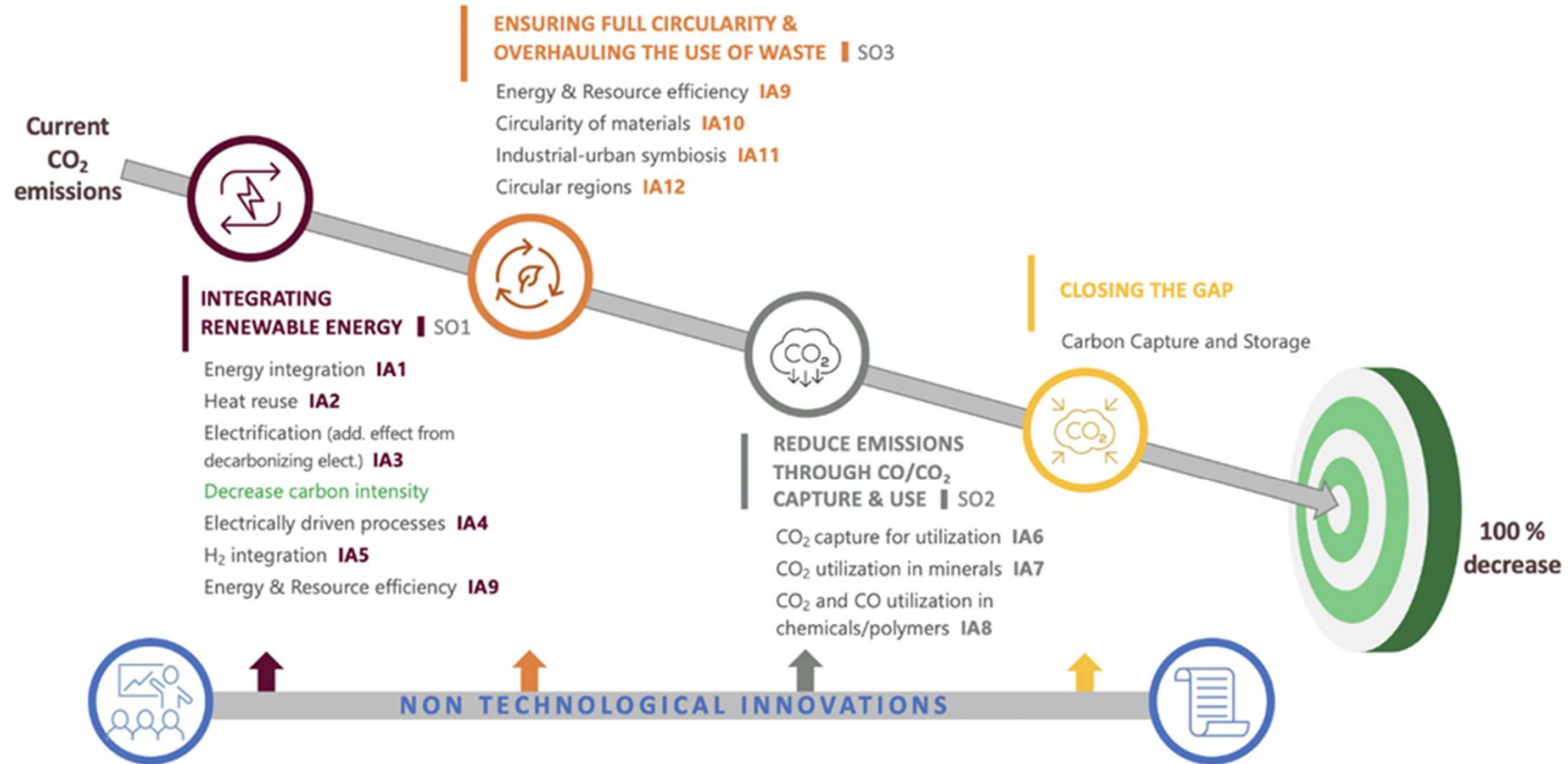
Near zero waste / Near zero emissions / Near zero water discharge

Source of image: <http://www.energycrossroads.org/industrial-symbiosis-circular-economy>

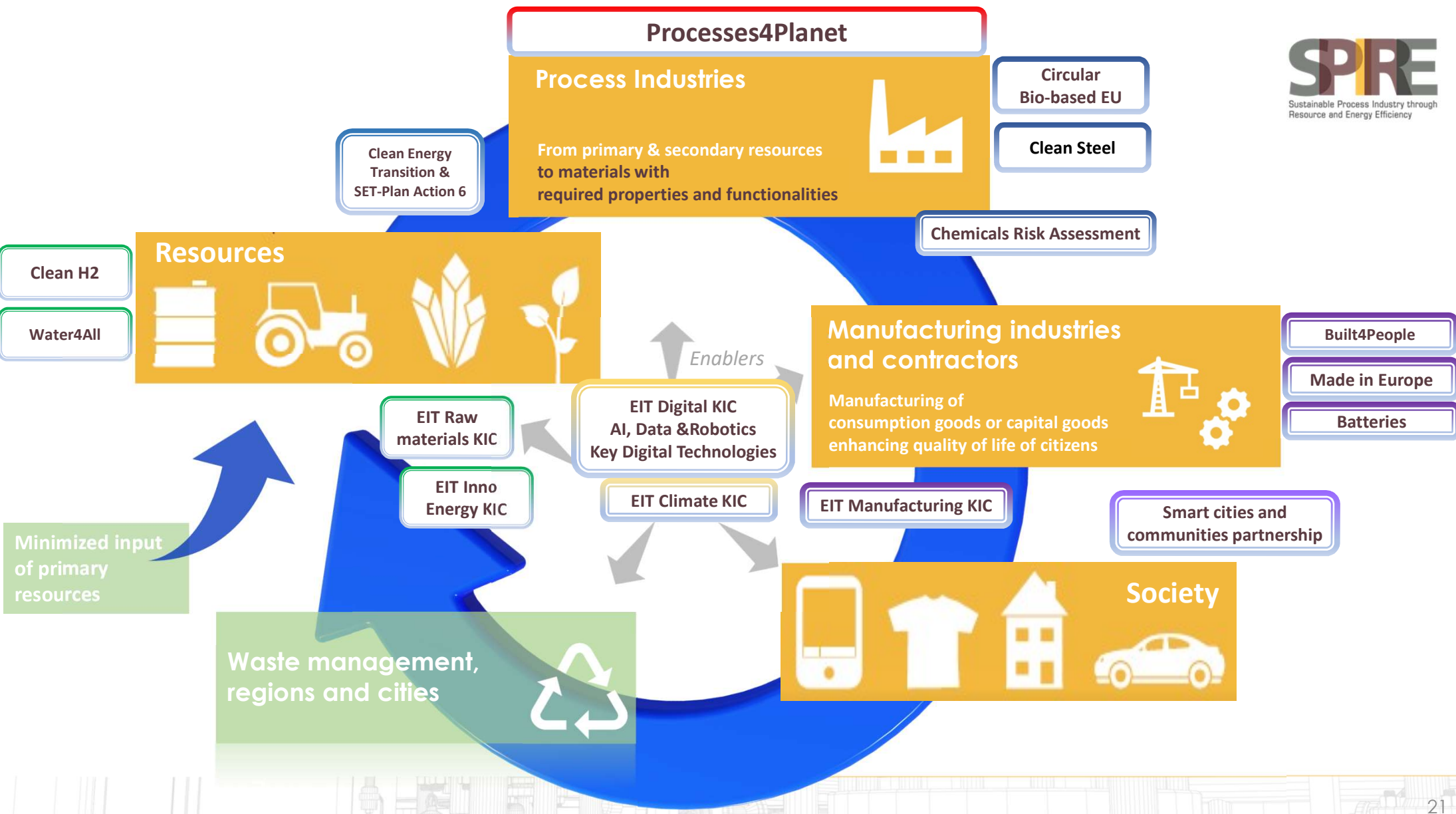
# Process industry relies on many measures to reduce its carbon emission intensity



# A patchwork of innovations to achieve climate neutrality







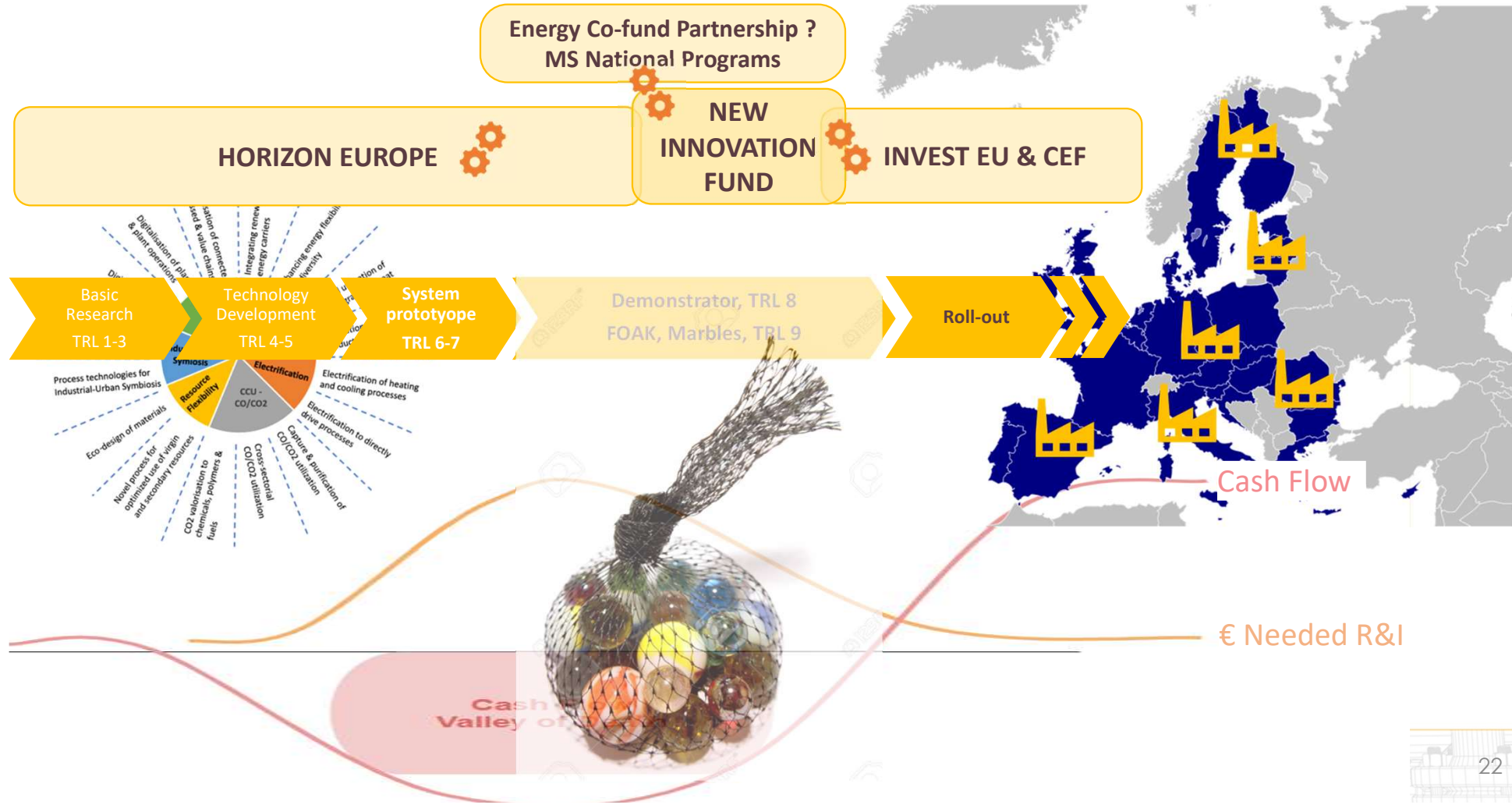
# SPIRE 5050 R&I Outstanding Challenge

Comprehensive and coordinated funding & financing tools needed

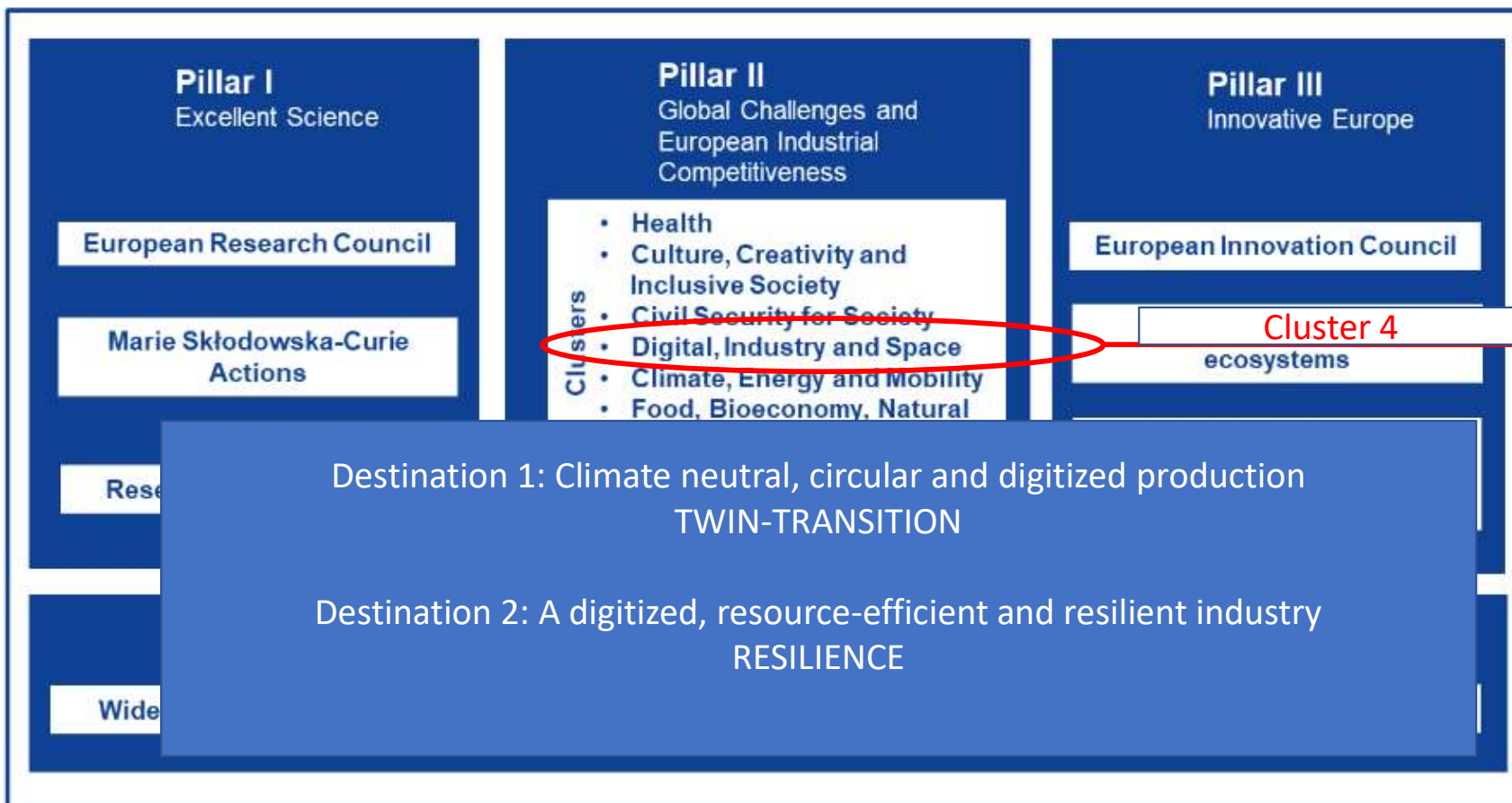
Funding & Financial tools

The RDI process

The € resources GAP



# Horizon Europe Structure



Destination 1  
Destination 2

Destination 1: Climate neutral, circular and digitized production  
TWIN-TRANSITION

Destination 2: A digitized, resource-efficient and resilient industry  
RESILIENCE



# HEU-calls beyond 2021 - 2022

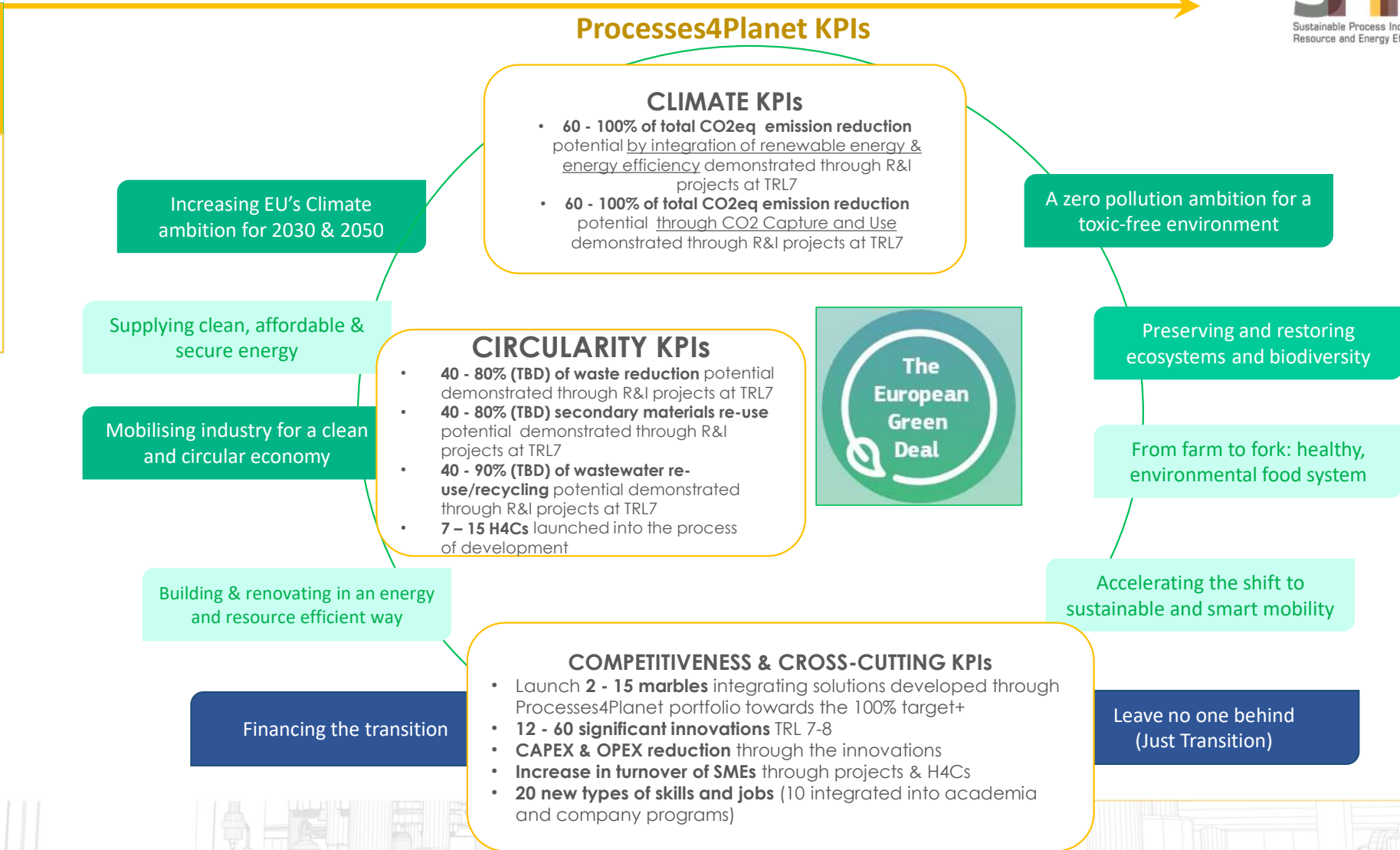
- HORIZON-CL4-202?-TWIN-TRANSITION: Technologies for a more efficient utilisation and management of industrial waste waters (RIA)
- HORIZON-CL4-202?-RESILIENCE: Innovative business models for circular value chains (IA)



# Conclusions: CORE CHARACTERISTICS

## DIRECTIONALITY

- Joint cross-sectoral roadmap towards common objectives
- Jointly share and develop knowledge and solutions.





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