

# European pilot collaboration projects with active participation of VTT Bioruukki



We are building up a Bioeconomy Hub in Helsinki-Uusimaa region and we want to cooperate with various networks and communities to achieve understanding of how to organise sustainable investments for facilities, skills and networking in Europe

#### **ERIFORE**

- Horizon 2020 roadmap project for forest based circular bioeconomy research infra development and collaboration
- Coordinated by VTT

#### **SmartPilots**

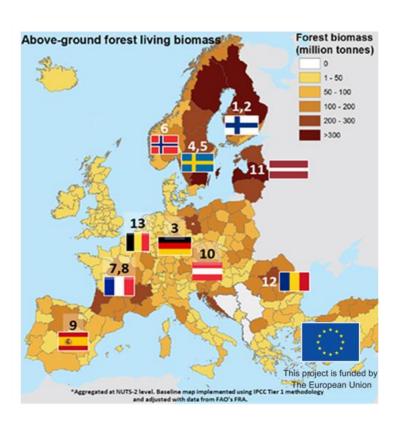
 Interreg Europe project for bioeconomy pilot cooperation, business models and political influencing

#### **EU-Great**

 Exploring the best practices and barriers for research infrastructure funding (H2020)

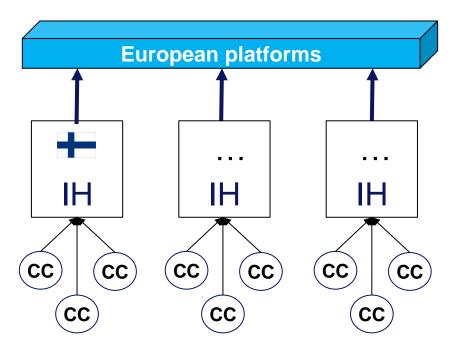
#### Pilots4U

- BBI JU project to combine open access pilots in industrial biotechnology, chemistry and bioenergy.
- Assessing capabilities for industry driven development projects



EU project Erifore consortium 2016-2018

## Continuity and critical mass within European, national and regional innovation hubs



- Focus on industrial needs and smart specialisation
- Enabling the innovation ecosystems
- Services for industry
- Pan European approach
- Support at 'working distance'
- Help to get finance
- Build on sustainable innovation hubs with infrastructures
- Trans-national cooperation and networks

Building on existing strenghts for boosting local industry renewal and platform creation



### Challenges related to innovation-driven investment

Focus on individual actors vs focus on collaboration in the system and long-term PPP collaboration?

Ecosystem
approach to
industrial and
innovation policy
is still missing

Innovation Hubs and strategic ecosystems need orchestration

Pan-European approach to Research and Technological Infrastructures?

Investment and funding mechanisms need re-thinking

How should long-term PPP collaboration be organised?

### **Funding schemes**



Needs mutual understanding and financial instruments— *already* Needs mutual understanding, opportunities and co-design focus on Circular and Bio-economy European **Private Investment Bank** STARS 53 Smart specialization Needs to be Nordic council of H2020 research in bio-, circular- and Ministrers and infrastructures adapted for digital economy in trans-regional and ESFRI innovation the Baltic Sea Region National and Regional funding Needs sharing test and Needs alignement demo infrastructures and strategy Needs recognition of H2020 thematic SME instrument programmes and and other the value proposition innovation hubs and benefit of the open access pilots (subcontracting)

