

#### **Greenports, the connectors!**

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# Introduction









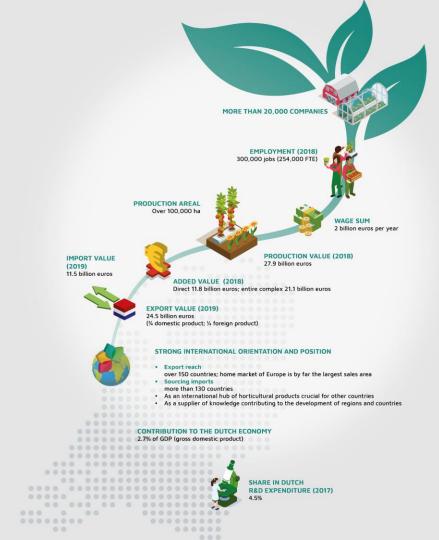




#### THE HORTI-CULTURAL CLUSTER

#### A WORTHY LEADING SECTOR OF THE DUTCH ECONOMY

The horticultural cluster in its entirety consists of production, trade and processing, ornamental horticulture, fruit & vegetables, propagation material, related technology and services, education, and knowledge institutions. Horticulture & Propagation Materials is one of the Leading Sectors. The cluster has the following characteristics:



|                              | T&U complex - CBS/LEI 2019   |                       |   |                            |                       |                       |
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|                              | Productiewaarde<br>keten T&U | Toegevoegde<br>waarde | <b>Aantal bedrijven</b><br>(primaire tuinbouw)* | Werkzame<br>personen (aje) | Uitvoer-<br>waarde NL | R&D-uitgaven<br>in NL |
| Omvang<br>(€ miljard)        | 27,9                         | 21,1                  | 23.7K   | 254K                       | 24,5                  | 0,76                  |
| Aandeel van<br>Nederland (%) | 2,7                          | 2,7                   | 1,6   | 3,4                        | 4,7                   | 4,9                   |
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\* Topsector Monitor CBS

## Further strengthening a strong sector

- Internationally competitive position.
- The horticultural cluster
  - has solutions for social topics
  - is a big player but also an invisible one
  - has major challenges nationally and internationally
- There was no horticultural-wide and integrated approach; many plans, but often not connected.
- Recognize government and NGOs as partners for necessary transitions and accelerations.





## Greenport; a strong brand and partner

- Independent, triple helix based.
- Michael Porter's cluster theory.
- Focus on strengthening the horticultural cluster.
- Brand exists for 15 years, for regional bonding & community formation.
- Ability to create and accelerate the platform.





#### Nationale Tuinbouwagenda 2019-2030

Circulaire tuinbouw in de praktijk: de prioriteiten van de tuinbouw verenigd in Greenports Nederland

**GREENPORTS-NEDERLAND.NL** 

# TUINBOUWAKKOORD Circulaire tuinbouw in de praktijk

Noord werken alle partijen samen aan een klimaatneutrale tuinbouw, misering van het productieareaal, gezonde planten/gezonde mensen, opistiek, innovatie, arbeidsmarkt & scholing en internationalisering. ekengen zetten zich in voor de Nationale Tymbouwagenda 2019 – 2030,

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#### **Greenports Nederland - themes**



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## **Greenport innovation structure**

Strengthen regional development power

 The Greenports: Connectors with national opportunities

• The Campus as incubator & booster

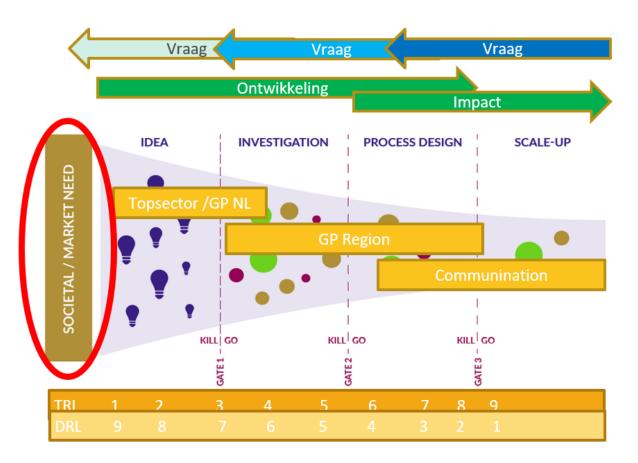


# The regional Greenports











# Innovation support by the Greenports

Impact generating, often one on one with entrepreneurs

Knowledge broker, connecting question and demand



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Planning, demand articulation and project definition

Consortia buidling

Subsidy demand and offer

B HCA: connecting students on topics and issues



### More collaboration

• TKI T&U, research innovation, identifying themes, and forming research consortia in collaboration with Greenports.

• GreenportsNL, coordination between the Greenports, creating nationwide terms and conditions.

 Regional Greenports operationalize development on a regional scale in the triple helix model.

## Role of the campus as an incubator

- Talent development.
- Creating crossovers for robotisation/digitization.
- Club house; location in the region for innovation/knowledge development/knowledge transfer/education.
- Making horticulture 'visible and attractive' in the regional Greenports

# **Campus 'crown'; jewels of the regions**

- WHC; technique: GP West-Holland.
- Bleiswijk; vertical farming (including Delphy & WUR); GP West-Holland.
- Brightlands; food health (together with UM); GP Venlo.
- Fruit-tech campus; GP Gelderland.
- Flowerbulb polder; GP Duin- & Bollenstreek.
- Vertify/Seed Valley; GP Noord-Holland Noord.

#### Each campus has its own focus + jointly shared themes

- Play global, act local, also develop an international network...
  Campus can provide regional 'landings', transfers.
- GreenportsNL connecting the regions and create national conditions.

# Ingredients for an extra boost, campus building needs

- Active long-term involvement of companies (club of pioneers).
- Sustainable funding, break away from project financing.
- Nationwide co-operation in the campus group, needs terms and conditions and appointments.

# Samenwerken is Groeien

