Workshop synthesis

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General impressions

- Good dynamics and interaction
- Impressive diversity of personalities and country landscapes
- Heavy (or over-?) load of information
- Honest exchange of experiences
- Good start of interaction between country representatives
Insights - Recap

- Lab tour
- Welcome and setting the scene
- Country cases
  - Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia
  - S. Korea, Switzerland, Singapore
- Foresight Café
- Posters
- Working groups
- Conclusions
Insights - Foresight Café

Observations

Critical factors
- Diversity
- Governance
- Resources: financial, human
- Mutual learning
- R&D – industry interface

Focus on
- Problem-solving / prioritize
- Topics of interest (energy, food, cities, ….)

Highlights
- Success stories
- Korea, Malaysia as models

«Soft success factors»

- Vision
- Passion
- Champions
- Leadership
Insights - Working groups: Complex ecosystem

Development of products & process (innovation)

Tools, methods and databases

Publications

Individual & institutional development

Influence on policy, practice and public

Intellectual property & licensing (commercialisation)

Awards & recognition

Further research funding

Collaborations & Partnerships (international)

Drivers

Situational factors

Barriers

Benefits

Universities & research institutes

Science community

Government

Business

Society at large

Strategies

Structures & approaches

Activities

Framework conditions

Adapted from: HIPPO UBC study EU (2011) and researchfish.com
Conclusions

Collaboration:
- Already broad collaboration Switzerland - SE Asia
- Great interest in expanding collaboration

«International collaboration is not an end in itself, but an instrument!»

Challenges:
- Top-down vs. bottom-up
- University / Industry interface

Goal:
- Reciprocity: Aiming at symmetric research collaboration, not development assistance

«Collaboration for a better world!»
Next steps: Action plan 2013-2016

5. Pilot activities with additional countries in the Asia-Pacific region

a. Preparatory and exploratory activities (2013-mid2014)
   - Identification and ranking of geopolitical criteria
   - Mapping of existing collaboration between Swiss institutions and target countries
   - Mapping of the science landscape in the target region
   - National and regional workshop

b. Joint pilot activities (mid2014-mid2016)
   - Target groups: scientists, research administrators and policy-makers
   - Instruments: Small grants, exploratory missions, short course for science administrators, high-level visits

c. Evaluation of the experiences, report to SERI (2016)
Next steps

- Launch call for pilot projects
  - Order of magnitude CHF 10’000
  - Matching contributions

- Make all ppts available on ETH website

- Keep in touch!
Highlights

Diversity: People, topics, posters, approaches

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Pleasant memories
- Photo show
- Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/global.ethz.ch
Thank you for your active participation!