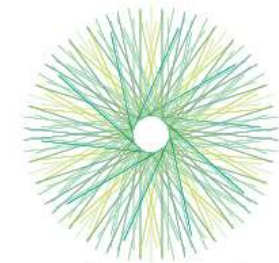


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**Day 1 – Thursday, 1 June 2017**

- 8.30 – 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 – 9.30 Welcome and introduction  
Opening speech  
*Phil Hogan, EU Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development*
- Digitisation of European agriculture in the political agenda  
*Paolo De Castro MEP, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development*
- Introduction to the objectives of the seminar  
*European Commission - DG AGRI*

## **Session 1: Digital Innovation Hubs (DIHs) and their contribution to mainstream digital innovation in agriculture**

- 9.30 – 10.00 The policy framework: Digitising the EU Industry and Digital Innovation Hubs  
*Ronan Burgess, European Commission - DG CNECT*
- Building effective innovative ecosystems: an example of Digital Innovation Hub**  
*Cato Bechtold, Ministry of Economic Affairs - The Netherlands*
- 10.00 – 11.15 The main building blocks of a DIH in agriculture
- *Peter Liggesmeyer, Fraunhofer - DE*
  - *Tom Kelly, EUFRAS/TEAGASC - IE*
  - *Mihai & Stefan Stanescu, AGRISO - RO*
  - *Hubert Cottognj, EIF*
  - *Alfonso Ribas Álvarez (INGACAL) & Luis Pérez Freire, (Gradient) - ES*
  - *Daniel Azevedo, COPA-COGECA*
- 11.15 – 11.40 Coffee break



An aerial photograph of Boston, Massachusetts, showing the city skyline with numerous skyscrapers and the harbor area with many boats. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent dark blue filter.

# THE BOSTON INNOVATION HUB

Building Effective Innovation Ecosystems

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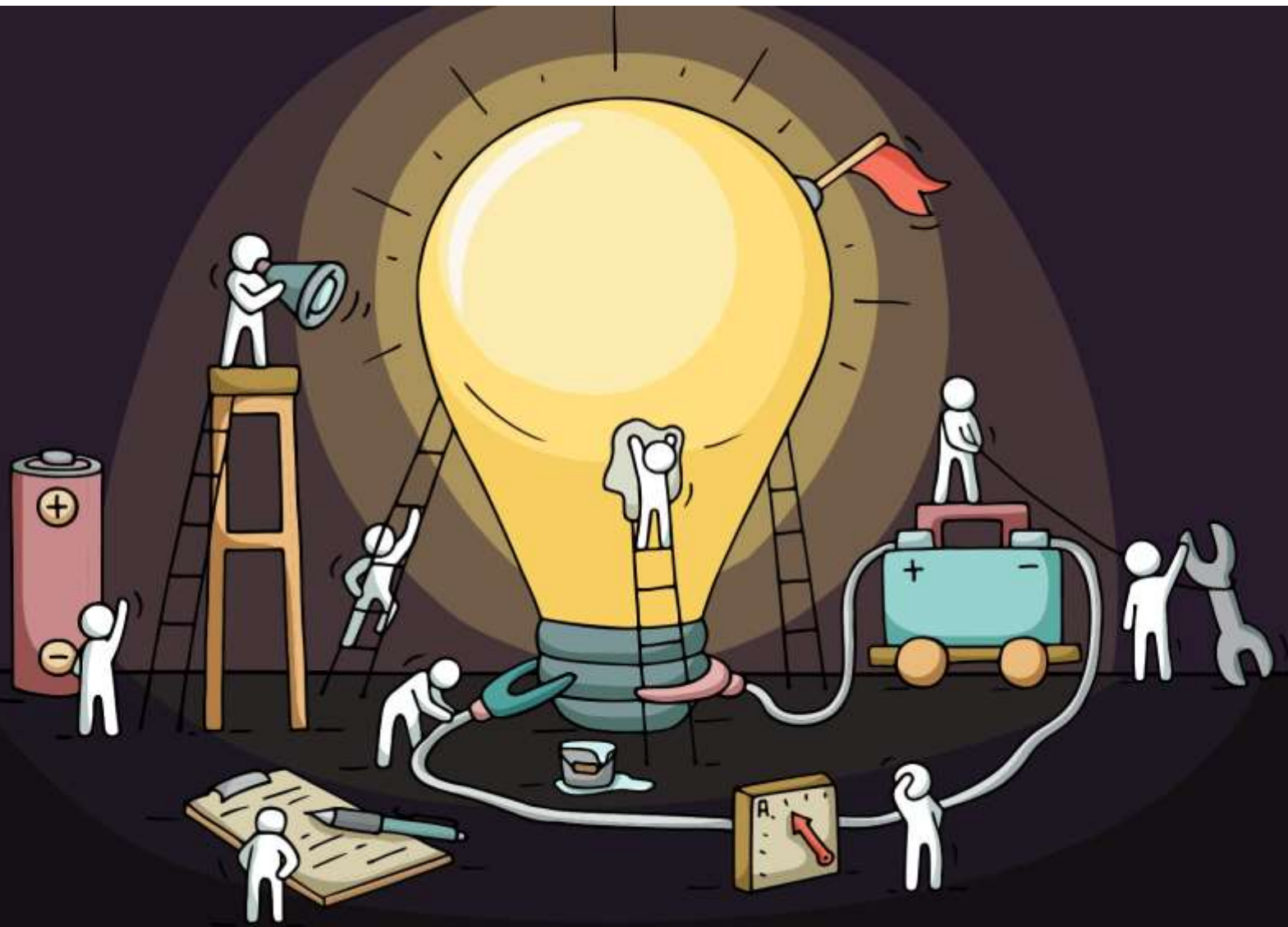
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# INNOVATION NETWORK







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# OUTLINE

1. Boston
2. Proximity
3. Diversity
4. Connectors
5. So, what about agriculture?

# BOSTON, MA

One of the biggest **health and life science** hubs in the world

Most **innovative state of the US**

**102 colleges** within a 180 km radius from Boston

**4<sup>th</sup> highest number of innovative companies** in the US







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Google



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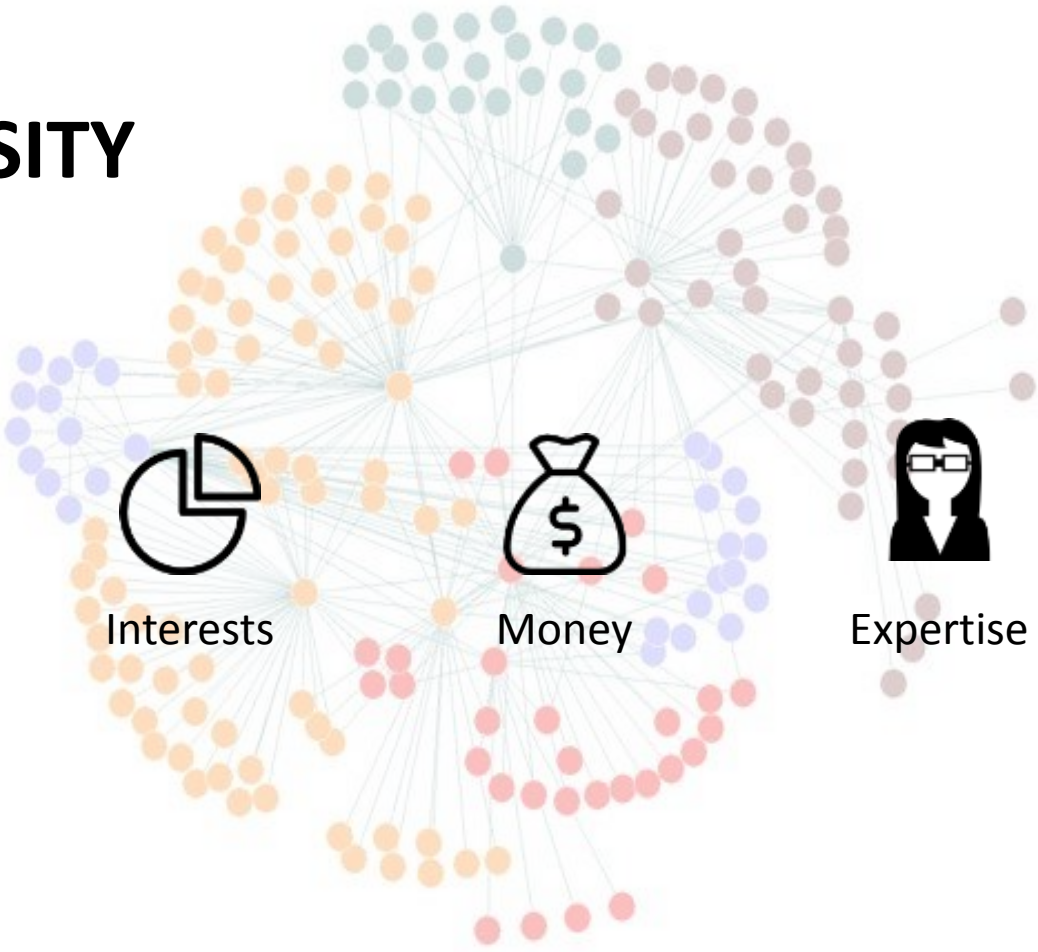
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Expertise



Creativity



# CONNECTORS



Glue of the ecosystem



Physical infrastructure for encounters



# CONNECTORS







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Until every child is well



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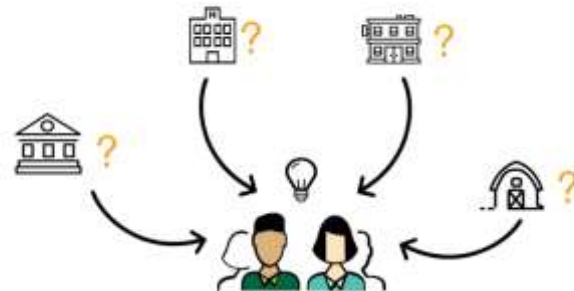
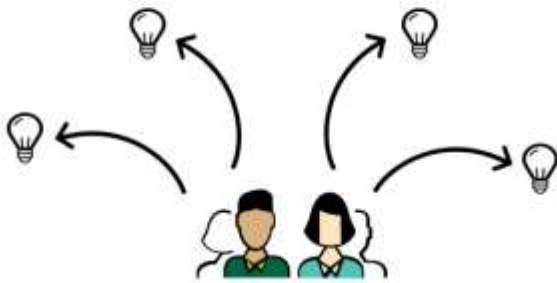
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# SO, WHAT ABOUT AGRICULTURE?

In the context of agriculture, how can you deal with this **proximity, diversity, and connectors**?

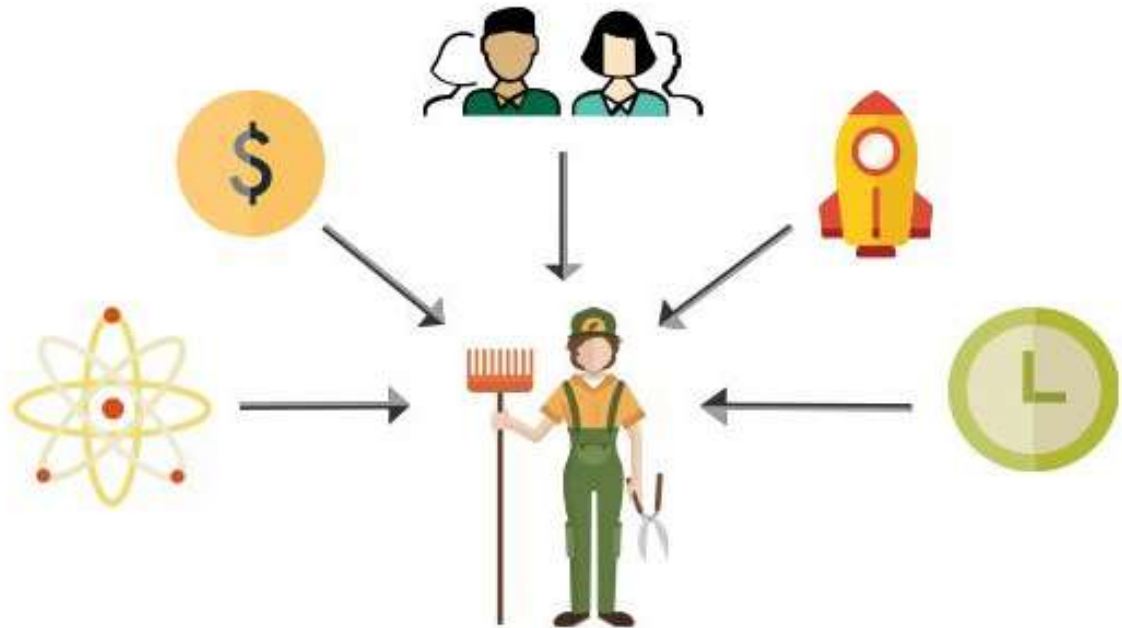
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# SO, WHAT ABOUT THE FARMER?

Role of the **farmer**:

end-user/  
launching customer/  
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# THANK YOU

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