



# **With focus on results**

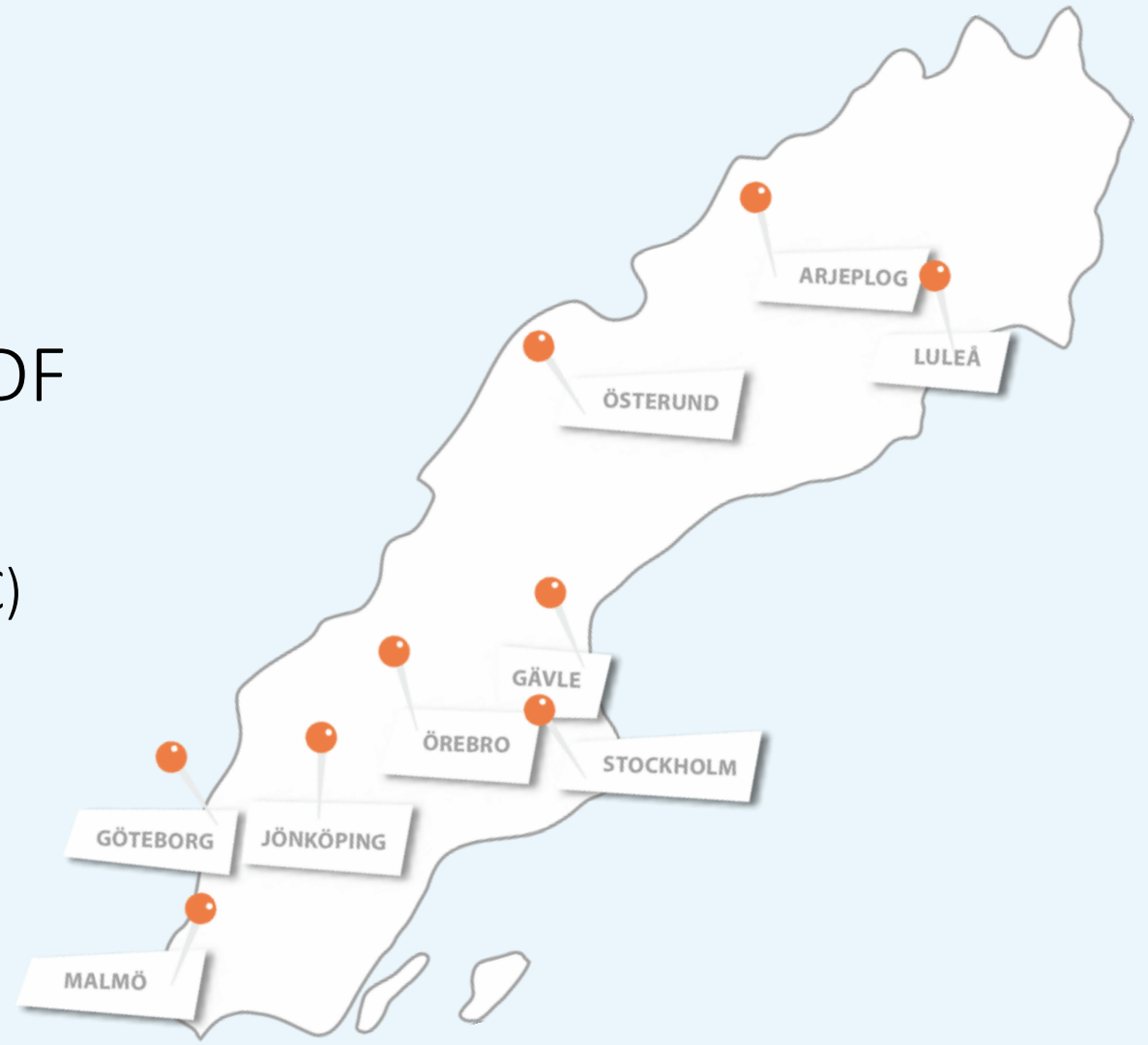
Evaluation of 9 ERDF programmes in Sweden

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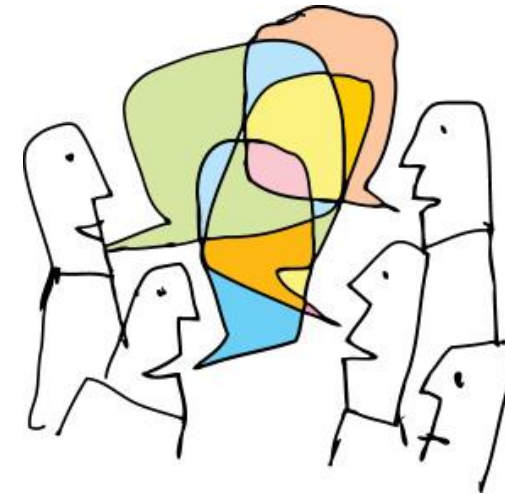
A national agency with the objective to promote economic growth in Sweden by increasing the competitiveness of companies

- Nine locations
- 400 employees
- Managing authority for 10 ERDF programmes
  - 8 regional programmes (722M€)
  - 1 national programme (133M€)
  - 1 cross border programme



**Evaluations** shall be carried out to improve the quality of the design and implementation of programmes, as well as to assess their effectiveness, efficiency and impact. (CPR)

= **Formative** - support and improve the design and implementation



= **Summative** – assess effectiveness, efficiency and impact

# Main challenge ...

... for result focused evaluation of ERDF in Sweden

Closing the gap



# Evaluation plans 2014-2020

## A structure for learning through evaluation

11 % (time)

### Information and data

- Safeguard the quality of the monitoring system – **key indicators that are stable over time**
- Continuous development of methods and statistical information regarding results
- Project evaluations in all projects – **systematic account of qualitative data**

38 % (time)

### Thematic evaluations

- Result assessment through thematic expertise – based on existing evidence
- Cross-regional learning and comparison
- National and international comparative analysis

33 % (time)

### Learning and cooperation

- Capacity building through networks, seminars and training
- Involving regional actors and relevant national agencies
- Cooperation between ESI funds

Recourses: 3 full time employees  
0,85% of total programme budget  
(salaries not included)

# Project evaluation

## Mandatory for all ERDF projects in the 9 programmes

- Self evaluation – 300 000 €
- External evaluation – 300 000 to 1 M€ / 2% of budget
- On going evaluation – 1 M€ / 2-3% of budget

## Guidelines for evidence assured project evaluation: 3 P and 3 K

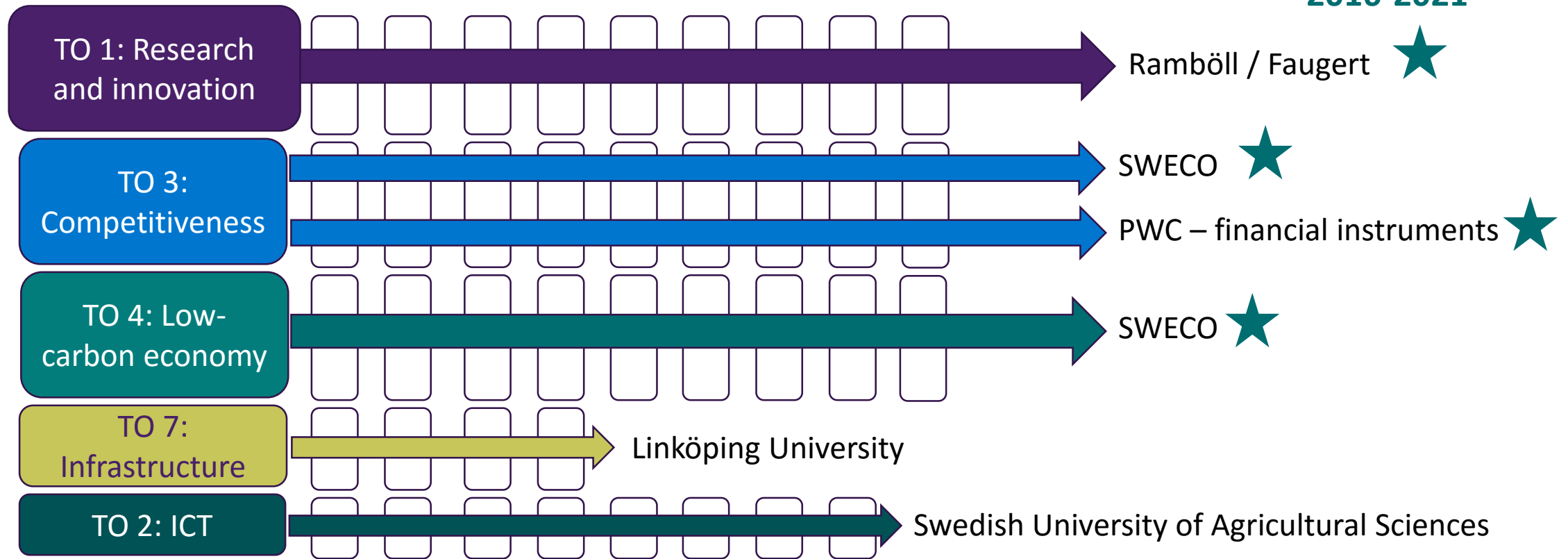
- Project logic /theory of change
- Process
- Public debate

- Key activities
- Key actors
- Key numbers

# Thematic cross-programme evaluations

For learning, comparative analysis, result assessment based on thematic expertise and methodological development

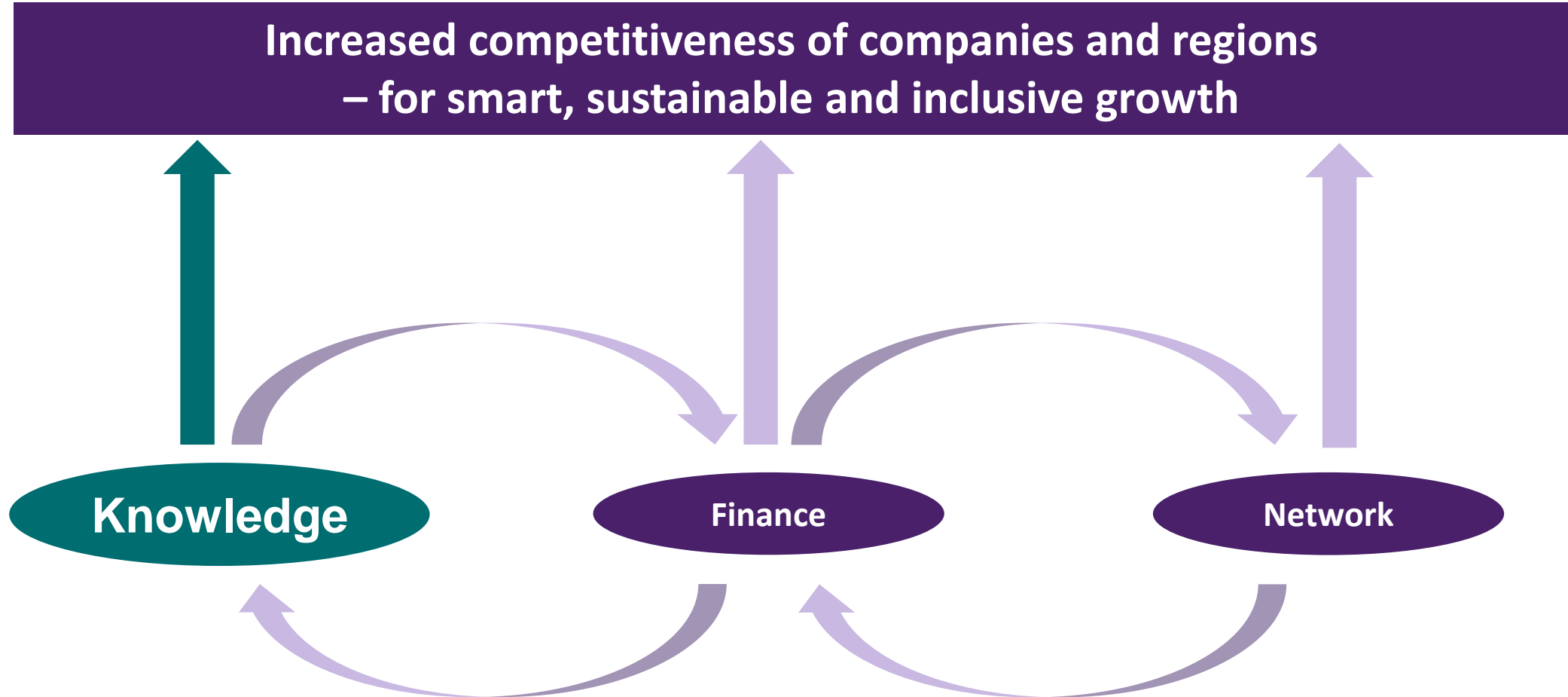
On-going evaluation  
2016-2021





# Evaluation as an **operative** tool ...

.... in knowledge based and result oriented public policy



# Thank you for the attention

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