



Overview of NSTDA and Cluster-Based Research on Energy and Environment

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Ministry of Science and Technology (MoST)

NSTDA at a glance

- **Establishment:** December 1991 by Science and Technology Development Act, 1991, as an autonomous government agency
- **Vision:** “NSTDA is a key partner towards a Knowledge-based Society using science and technology.”

- **Missions:** 

Research & Development + Human Resource Development
Technology Transfer + S&T Infrastructure

- **Key units:**



- **Human resource:** 2,704 employees (as of Apr. 2015)



Mission: S&T Infrastructure

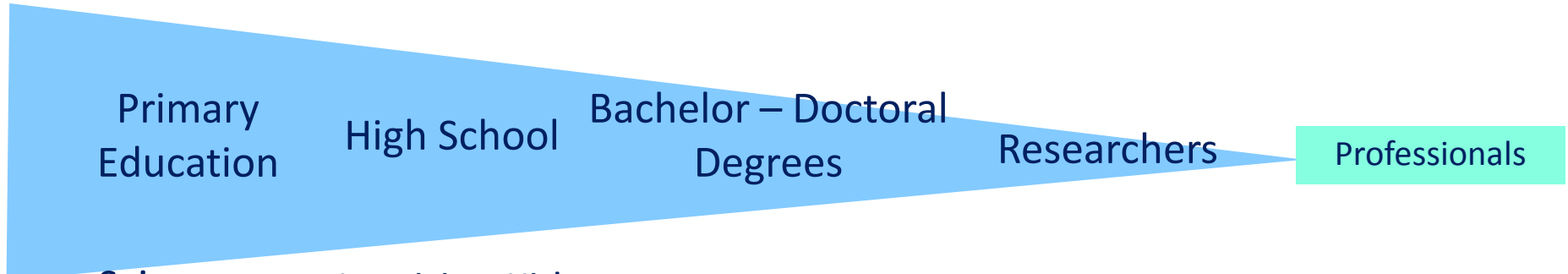
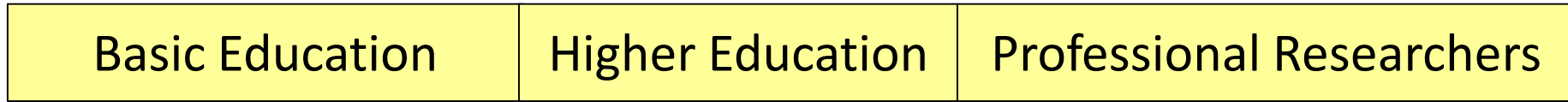
THAILAND SCIENCE PARK

Infrastructure to support S&T Development



- ❖ Established in 2002 as **Thailand First & Fully Integrated Hub for R&D**
- ❖ Houses Headquarter of National Science and Technology Development Agency (NSTDA) and its 4 National Research Centers plus more than 70 technology companies
- ❖ Objectives:
 - 🌸 Provide High Quality R&D Space for Public and Private Sector.
 - 🌸 Incubate Technology Business Start-ups
 - 🌸 Support Linkage between Private Companies, NSTDA, and Universities.

Mission: S&T Human Resource Development



Primary Education

High School

Bachelor – Doctoral Degrees

Researchers

Professionals

Science Learning Promotion

Inspiring Kids to join Science Programs

Graduate Capacity Building

Entering Research Careers

Professional Education

Sirindhorn Science Home



Children's University

Junior Science Talent Project (JSTP)

Little Scientists' Home

Young Scientist and Technologist Program (YSTP)

Thailand Graduate Institute of Science and Technology (TGIST)

NSTDA-University-Industry Research Collaboration (NUI-RC)

Thailand Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (TAIST)

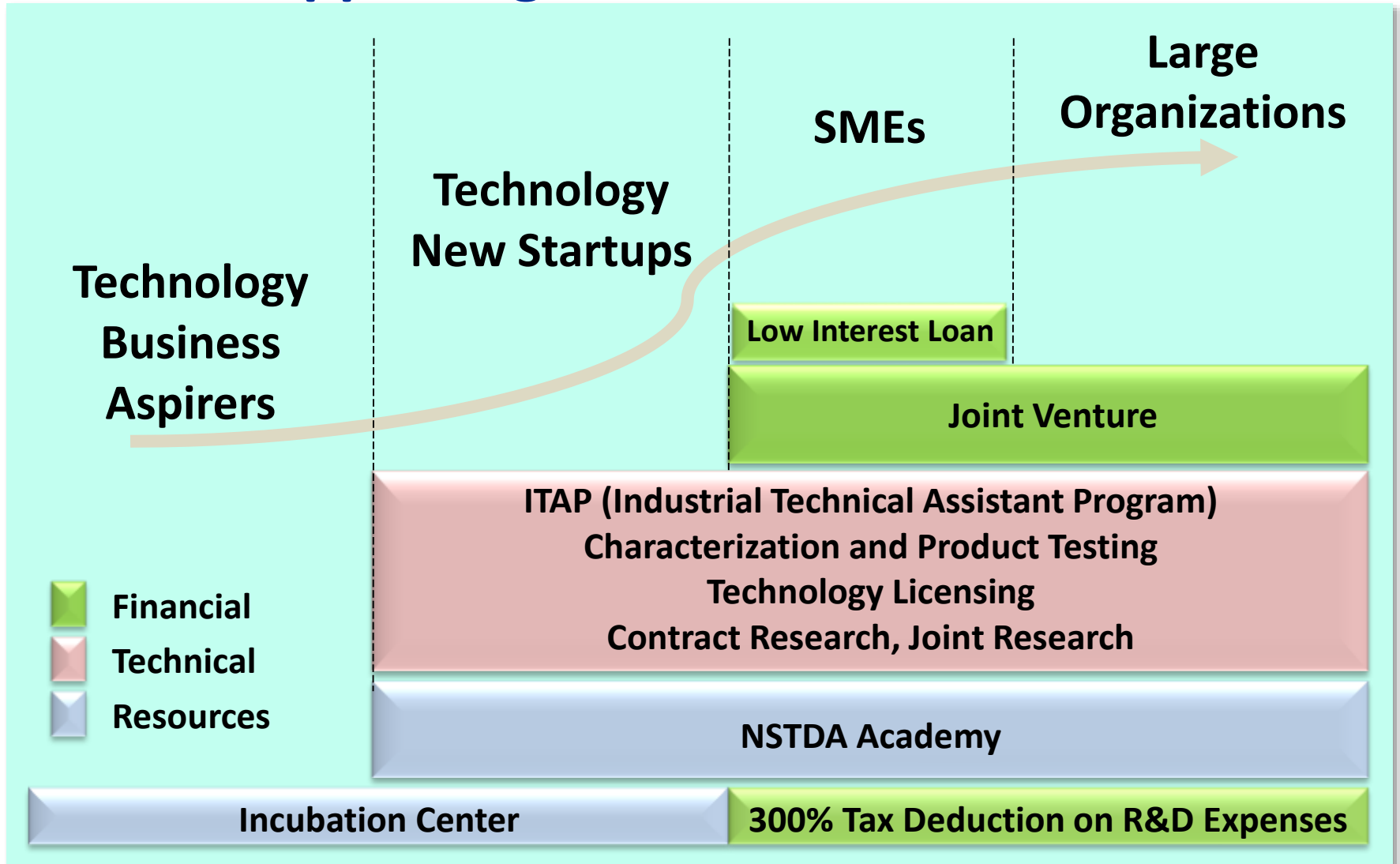


New Entrepreneur Education

Personnel are supported by National Research Centers, Thailand Science Park, and members of Innovation Clusters (universities and private sectors)

Mission: Technology Transfer

NSTDA Supporting Mechanisms



Mission: Research and Development

NSTDA Research Programs (2011-2016)

Cluster

Agriculture
and Food

Energy and
Environment

Health and
Medicine

Bioresources,
Communities and
the Underprivileged

Manufacturing and
Service Industries

Cross Cutting Technology

- Platform
- Technology

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BIOTEC unit : Research field linked to Energy & Env.

Research units : *at Thailand science park*

• **BioresourceTechnology Unit**

- Agricultural Biotechnology Research Unit
- Food Biotechnology Research Unit
- Medical Molecular Biology Research Unit
- Genome Institute

Research units : *BIOTEC's satellite units at universities and government agencies*

• **Biochemical Engineering and Pilot Plant Research and Development Unit (KMUTT)**

• **Cassava and Starch Technology Research Unit (KU)**

- Medical Biotechnology Research Unit
- Rice Gene Discovery Unit
- Peat Swamp and Rainforest Research Station

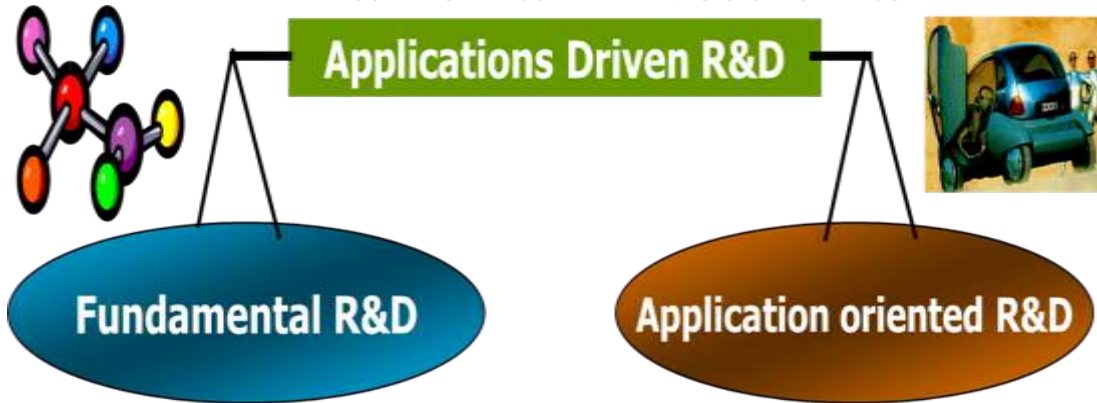
• **Center of Waste Utilization and Management (KMUTT)**

• **Center of Excellence for Marine Biotechnology (CU)**

- Center of Excellence for Shrimp Molecular Biology and Biotechnology
- Center of Excellence for Molecular Biology and Genomics of Shrimp
- Biomedical Technology Research Center

MTEC - Research & Focus Unit

7 R&D Units 2 Focus Units



Polymers
Research Unit

Biomedical Engineering
Research Unit

Focus
Unit

Ceramics Technology
Research Unit

Materials for Energy
Research Unit

Natural
Rubber

Materials Reliability
Research Unit

Environment
Research Unit

Oil Palm
Processing
Technology

Design and Engineering
Research Unit

NECTEC

Goal
Smart Energy Solution

Product

Power Monitoring System

- . **Smart Energy Monitoring**
- . **Lighting with Secure Communications**
- . **Zero-Watt Standby**
- . **Near-Zero-Watt Standby**
- . **Power Consumer Monitor**
- . **NetSense**
- . **Cloud remote controller**

Renewable Energy Source and Energy Storage Systems

- . **Battery Energy Storage System (Lithium-ion battery management)**
- . **Solar Battery Charger**
- . **Solar Energy Management System**
- . **Solar air**
- . **Pure sine wave inverter**

Energy Management System

- . **PV Hybrid System & Energy Management**
- . **Demand Side Management**
- . **Simulation Model**

NANOTEC Research Center

Research Unit

Nano Delivery System (NDS)

Nano-Molecular Target Discovery (TDI)

Hybrid Nanostructure & Nanocomposites (HNN)

Nanomaterials for Energy & Catalysis (NEC)

Nanoscale Simulation (SIM)

Nano Functional Textile (NFT)

Nano Safety & Risk Assessment (SRA)

Integrated Nano System (INS)

Functional Nanomaterials & Interfaces (FNI)

Development Unit

Nano Cosmeceuticals (NCM)

Nano Characterization (NCL)

Engineering & Manufacturing (ENM)



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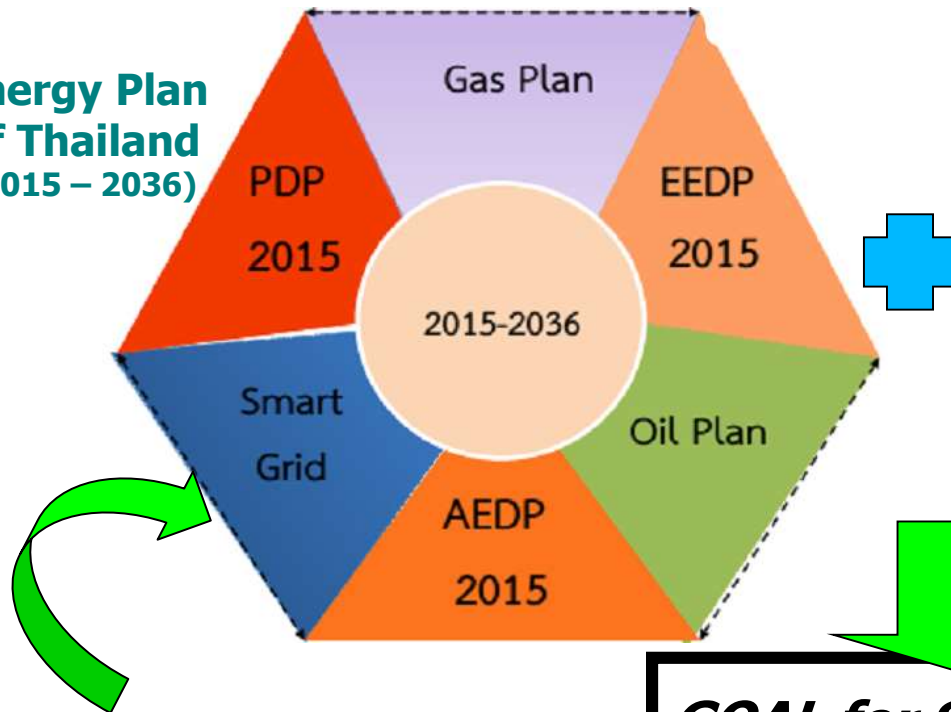
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Cluster R&D Promotion on Energy & Environment

Energy Plan of Thailand (2015 – 2036)



•(17 Goals & 169 Targets)

+

7-20% GHGs (BAU) by 2020
20-25% GHGs (BAU) by 2030

- Energy security
- Energy accessibility
- Climate change
- Sustainable development
- Competitiveness

GOAL for STI Development on Energy-Env

- 1. Energy-efficient economy**
- 2. Low-carbon society**
- 3. Green energy leader**
- 4. Self dependence on Energy Technology and Equipment/ Products on green energy**

Energy & Environment Cluster : NSTDA

1.Sustainable Environment Program

Assessment Technology

LCI /LCA



Carbon/water footprint/ Eco-eff.



Enhance Energy Security

2.Resource & Energy Efficiency Program

Mitigation Technology

Resource-Energy efficiency



Reduce Env. Impact (GHGs Emission)

3.Renewable Energy & New Energy Technology Program

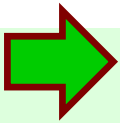
Renewable energy/ Zero emission Technology

Biomass / Biogas / Biofuel/ etc.



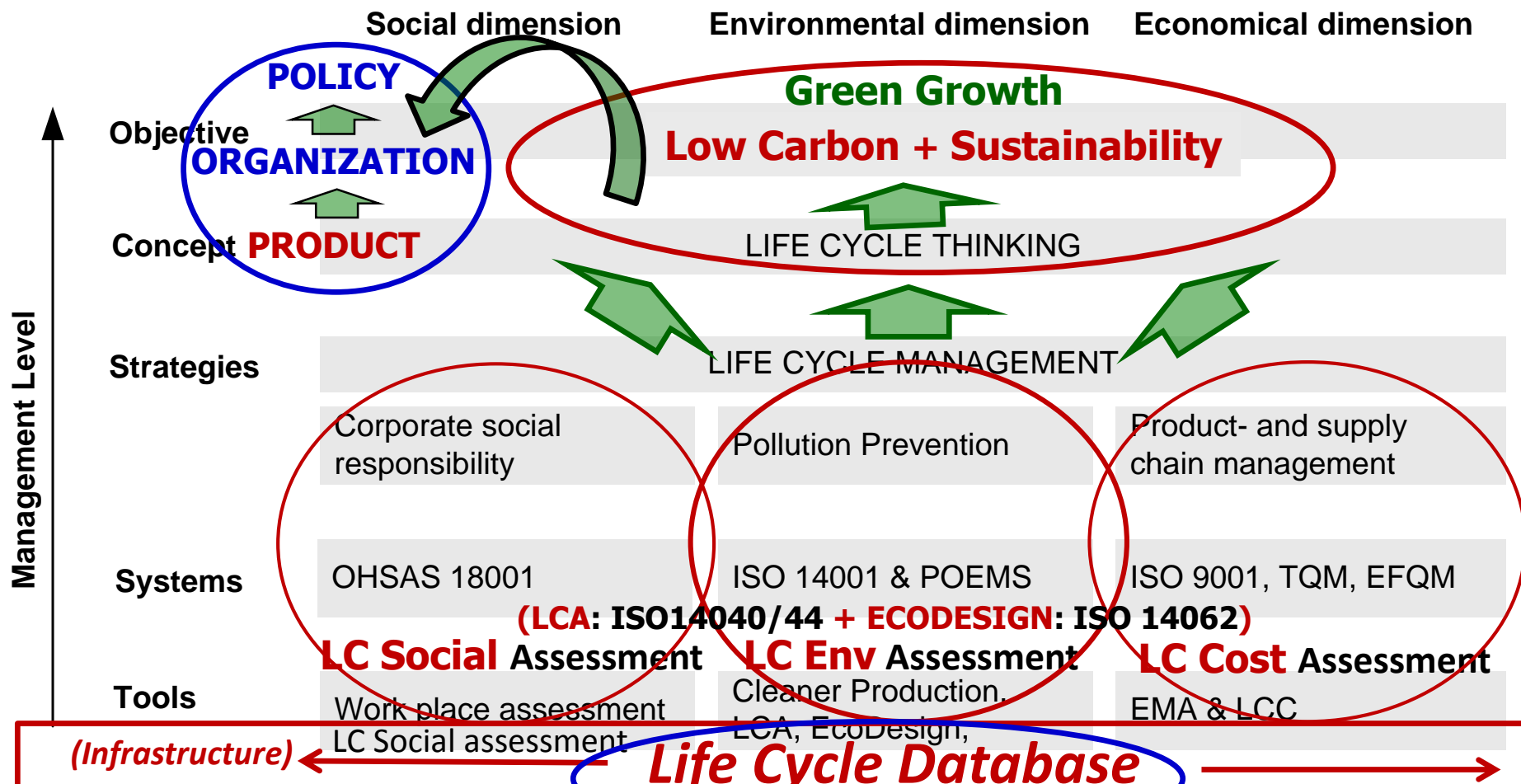
Enhance Industrial Competitiveness (Env. & Trade: focus on Agri-Food)

R&D Focus (@ Cluster) on Environment



1. Sustainable Environment Program

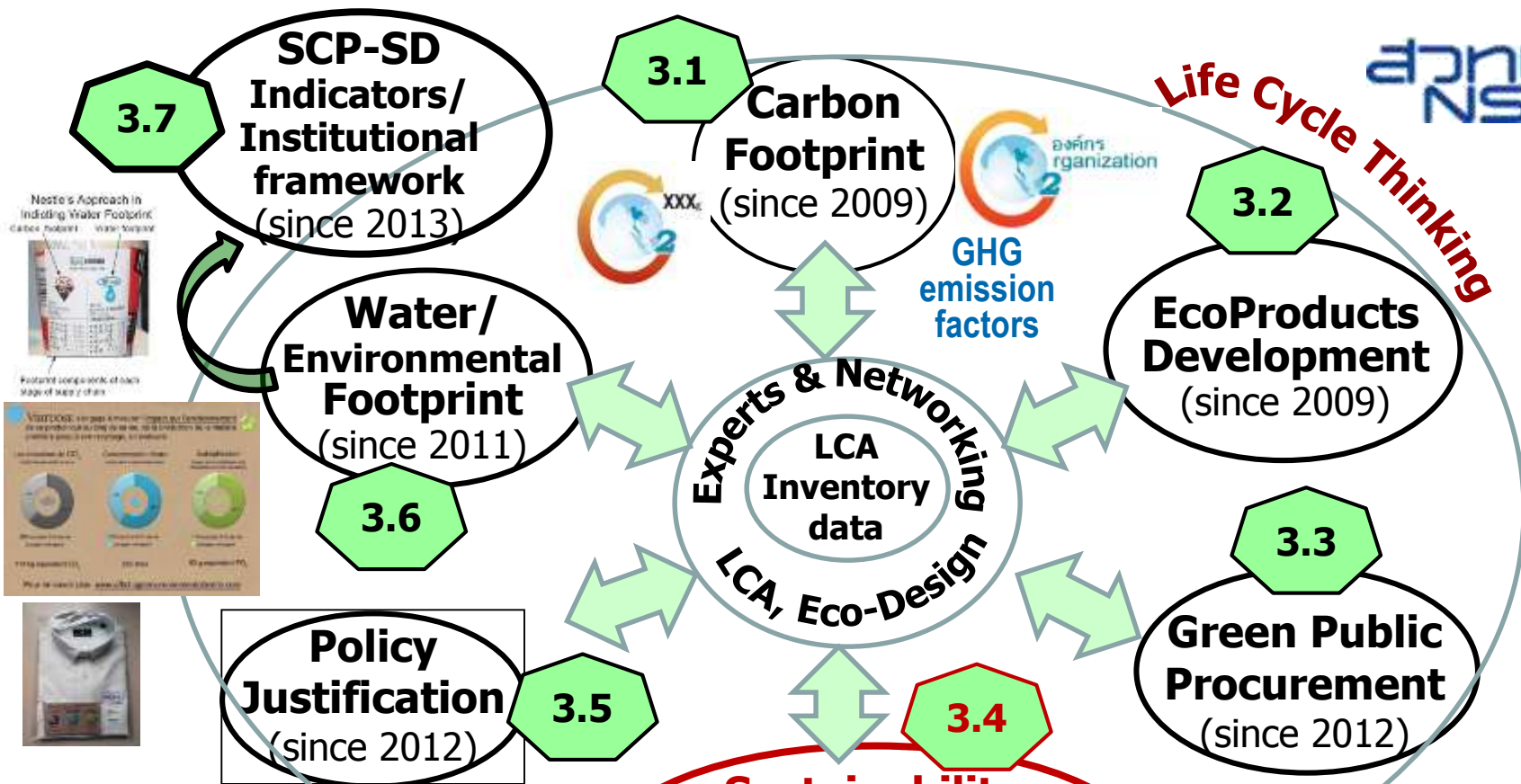
LC Sustainability Assessment Tool (LC Thinking Concept)



Explanations: OHSAS = Occupational Health And Safety, POEMS = Product Oriented Environmental Management System, TQM = Total Quality Management, EFQM = European Foundation for Quality Management, LCA = Life Cycle Assessment, EMA = Environmental Management Accounting, LCC = Life Cycle Cost Analysis.

1. Sustainable Environment Program

LCA-EcoDesign Applications (towards Green Growth)

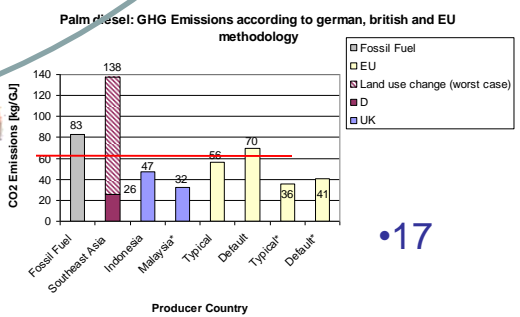


- **Food vs. Feed vs. Fuel ?**
- **Green GDP/Green Industry**
- Eco-efficiency/ Factor X
- Adder/ Externalities ?
- Env. Tax, etc.

Sustainability assessment (Biofuels, Bio-products,...)
(since 2010)



Sugar cane/ Molasses/ Cassava/ Oil palm/ Jatropha



R&D focus (@ Cluster) on Energy

Alternative Energy Development Plan

New Energy

Solar

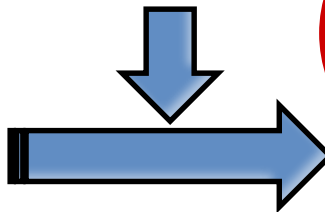
Wind

Hydro

Bio energy

Bio fuels

MOU between
Ministry of Energy
and
**Ministry of Science
and Technology**
on the R&D
Cooperation on
Alternative Energy
Development



Action Plan on the Use of R&D and Innovation for Alternative Energy Development 2012-2016

1. New Energy
2. Wind
3. Solar
4. Biomass
5. Biogas
6. MSW
7. Ethanol
8. Biodiesel
9. Diesel Substitute

Organizations involved:

- 5 Ministries (Energy, **Science & Techechnology**, Agriculture, Industry, Education)
- Research organizations and State Enterprises

During 2012-2016

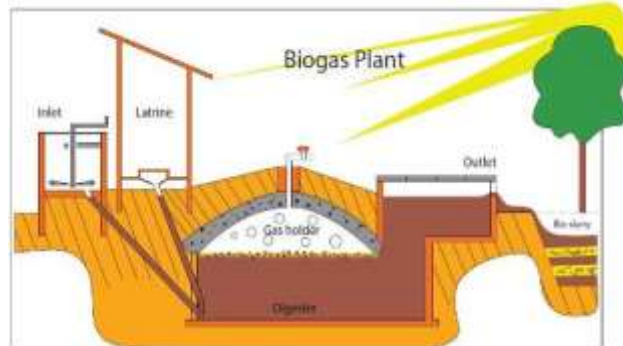
Prototype of Energy-Efficient Equipment

- Air Conditioner, LPG stove, Motor, Boiler, etc.



Prototype of Energy-Efficient Biogas Production Technology

- Meet quality and safety international standard
 - Highest efficiency
- Biogas from Cellulosic materials (Industrial/ Agricultural wastes, Fast growing crops)



Prototype of Biomass Utilization Technology for Biofuel Production

- Ethanol from Sugar cane & Cassava: meet sustainability Criteria
- Ethanol from Cellulosic materials (non-food)
- Demonstration plant



Prototype of Energy- Efficient Equipment

Energy Saving Rice Cooker



Energy Saving : 34 – 61%

Objective

- To develop a field prototype of the energy-saving rice cooker by applying embedded technologies in place of thermostat controlling system.

Types of rice	Electrical energy consumption (unit)		Energy saving (%)	Electricity bill per year (Baht)		Saved expense (Baht)
	Traditional rice cooker	Energy-saving rice cooker		Traditional rice cooker	Energy-saving rice cooker	
Jasmine rice	0.75	0.46	38.67	1,798.8	1,101.42	694
Jasmine brown rice	1.525	0.6	60.65	3,651.46	1,436.64	2,215
White rice	1.27	0.84	33.85	3,040.89	2,011.30	1,030

Improvement on the Performance of High pressure Gas Stove Project



Objective: This project aims at encouraging and supporting the gas cook-stove manufacturers in Thailand to produce high-performance stoves for supplying to the market.

Saving:

LPG price	25	B/kg
Saving 3.76% (15% of total production)	0.94	B/kg
LPG consumption (100%)	7,386	10 ³ ton/year
Household+industriail (50%)	3,693	10 ³ ton/year
Money saving	3,470	10 ⁶ Baht/year
LPG saving	139	10 ³ ton/year

Energy and Resource Optimization : Tapioca Starch Industry



- Standardization of Water and Energy Use in the Tapioca Starch Industry Project
- Minimization of Resources and Energy in Tapioca Starch Industry – A Near Zero Discharge Starch Factory Project
- Having efficient production process
- Utilizing water, energy, and resource efficiently
- Producing high quality product
- Expanding to other starch factories
- Strengthening the starch industry for competitiveness

➤ saving 20 million \$US annually (32 factories ,2011-2014)

Biogas from Closed-type Anaerobic Reactor



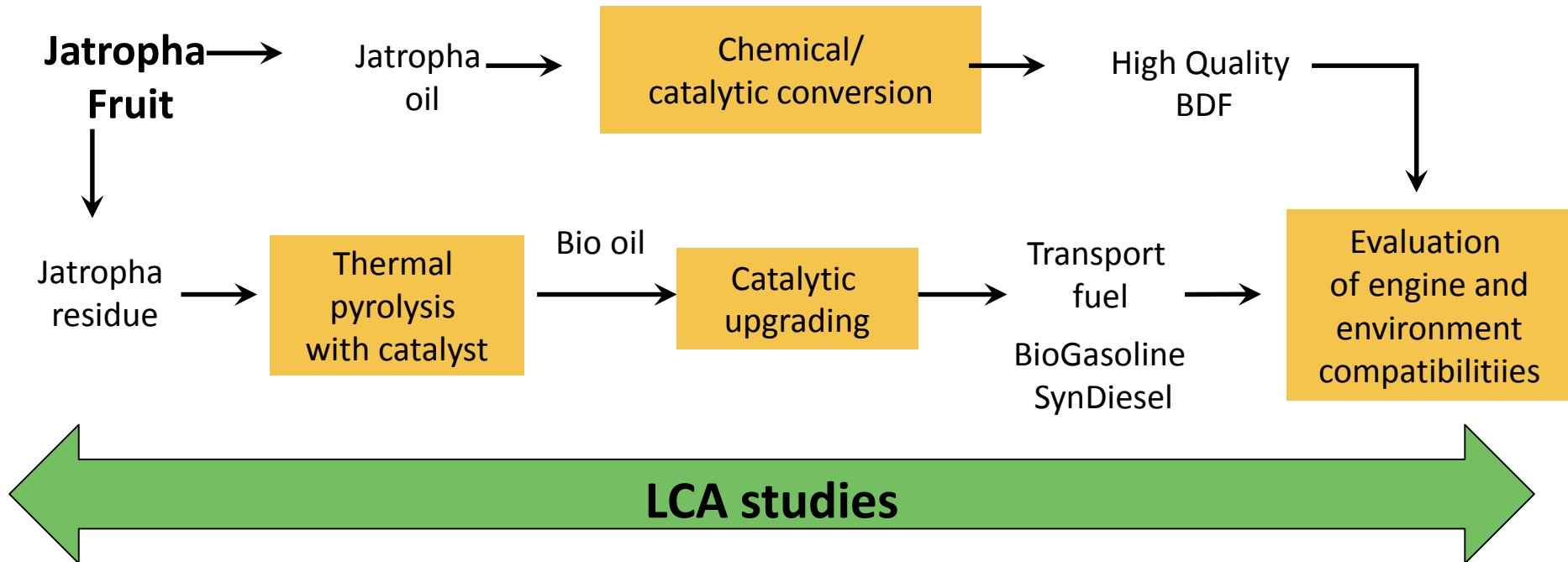
- A highly effective **Closed-type Anaerobic Reactor**.
- It has advantages over the older treatment methods by requiring an installation area only **one fifth** the size of that required for the open wells system.
- It also produces **biogas** that replaces fossil fuels (including natural gas) for heat and electricity.

Full-Scale Technology Transfer of Anaerobic Fixed Film Reactor (AFF) and Anaerobic Hybrid Reactor (AHR) to Industries



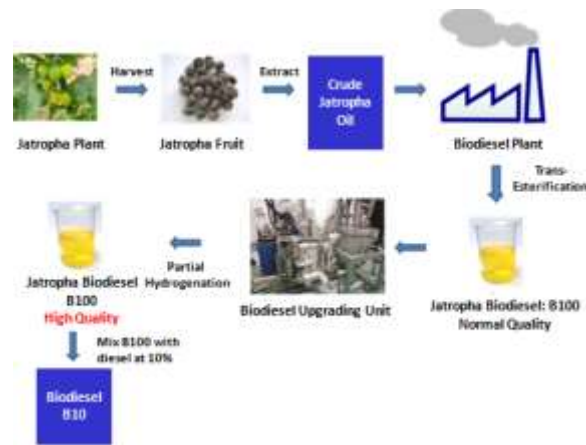
	Biogas Utilization	Saving	Other benefit
Rice Flour Mill (1 factory)	Electricity	60,000 \$US annually	No impact on community
Tapioca Starch (6 factories)	Fuel oil replacement and Electricity	1.2- 1.8 million \$US annually	No impact on community
Dehydration fruit (2 factories)	Fuel oil replacement	200,000 \$US annually	No impact on community
Tuna canning (1 factory)	Biomass (wood) replacement	170,000 \$US annually	Reclaim WWTP space for other purpose

Cooperation between Thai and Japan on Advanced Biofuels Project: Innovation on Production and Automotive Utilization of Biofuels from Non-Food Biomass



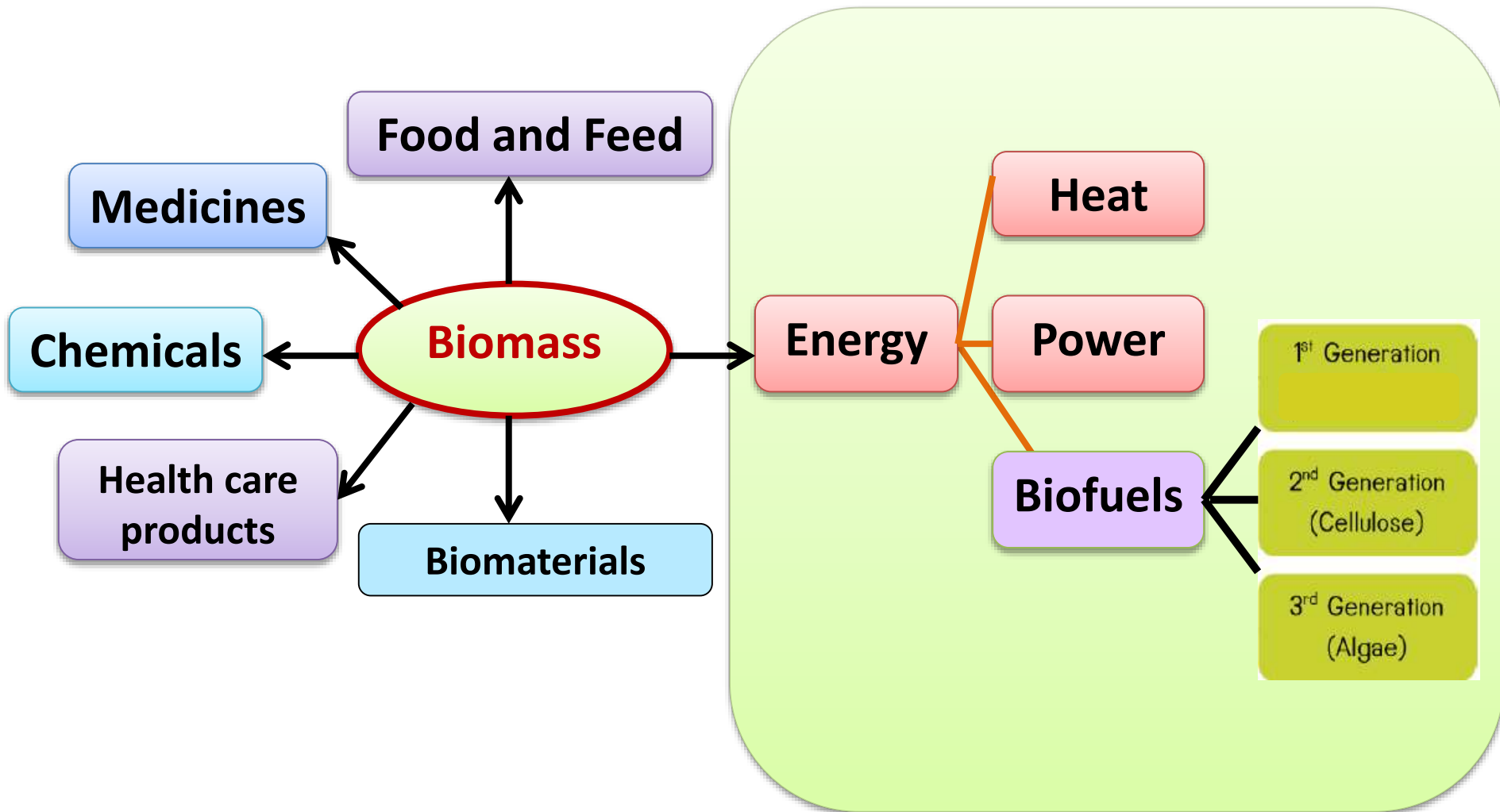
- **Japan** National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)
Waseda University
- **Thailand** National Metal and Materials Technology Center (MTEC),
- National Science and Technology Development Agency (NSTDA)
- Thailand Institute of Scientific and Technological Research (TISTR)
- King Mongkut's University of Technology, North Bangkok (KMUTNB)

Road Test of High Quality Jatropha Biodiesel



- **High quality jatropha biodiesel** is obtained from partial hydrogenation technique. 10% of this high quality biodiesel is mixed with regular diesel; this is known as **B10**.
- Key collaborators on production process are MTEC/NSTDA & TISTR, KMUTNB of Thailand and AIST & Waseda University of Japan.
- Road test of B10 is performed by MTEC in partnership with **Tripetch Isuzu and PTT**.

Challenges: Biomass for BIOECONOMY



Thank You

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