



# **Network Organizations: Shared Vision, Implementation, and Funding**

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# Overview

**Cooperation in health R&D in ASEAN is premised on the following needs:**

1. more accessible health products/services for poorer peoples
2. prepare for major pandemics
3. answer the MDG goals yet to be achieved

## **The ASEAN Network for Drugs, Diagnostics and Vaccines Innovation (ASEAN-NDI)**

- A model to address these needs
- Special focus on:
  - Value Chain in R&D for cheaper drugs
  - Knowledge Management for scaling up
  - Public Goods concept for financial burden sharing

## Age-standardized mortality rates by cause (per 100 000 population) in ASEAN, 2008

|                   | Communicable | Non-communicable | Injuries |
|-------------------|--------------|------------------|----------|
| Brunei Darussalam | 55           | 520              | 24       |
| Cambodia          | 478          | 748              | 65       |
| Indonesia         | 244          | 647              | 70       |
| Laos              | 376          | 771              | 107      |
| Malaysia          | 185          | 526              | 51       |
| Myanmar           | 461          | 667              | 347      |
| Philippines       | 231          | 599              | 55       |
| Singapore         | 66           | 313              | 21       |
| Thailand          | 153          | 675              | 106      |
| VietNam           | 122          | 607              | 66       |

Source: World Health Organization

# The Next Pandemic

The World Bank estimated in 2008 that a pandemic with death rates similar to the Spanish flu of 1918-19 could **shrink global GDP by 4.8%**.

“Consumer spending declines; business investment plans are put off.  
Establishments including schools, sports stadia, clubs and restaurants are closed.  
Trade bans on imported meat are imposed. Workers call in sick.  
Working age deaths reduce potential output.”

The Asian Development Bank fears that this next pandemic will come from **Asia**.

# Achieving the ASEAN MDGs

In ASEAN, achieving the MDG 2015 is problematic for the slow progressing countries:

## **Under five mortality:**

Brunei  
Cambodia  
Indonesia  
Myanmar  
Philippines

## **Maternal mortality:**

Brunei  
Cambodia  
Indonesia  
Laos  
Malaysia  
Myanmar  
Philippines  
Thailand

## **At least one antenatal care:**

Cambodia  
Laos  
Myanmar  
Philippines

## **Infant mortality:**

Brunei  
Cambodia  
Indonesia  
Myanmar  
Philippines  
Thailand  
Vietnam

## **Incidence of malaria:**

Thailand  
Laos  
Indonesia  
Cambodia  
Myanmar

## **15-49 Years w/ HIV:**

Cambodia  
Malaysia  
Myanmar  
Thailand

## **Birth attendance by skilled health personnel:**

Cambodia  
Laos  
Myanmar  
Philippines

“It’s no longer sufficient, if you’re a researcher, to know what somebody in your country is doing. You have to have a global watch.”

**Larry Starr**

*Founding Director of California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology (Calit2)*

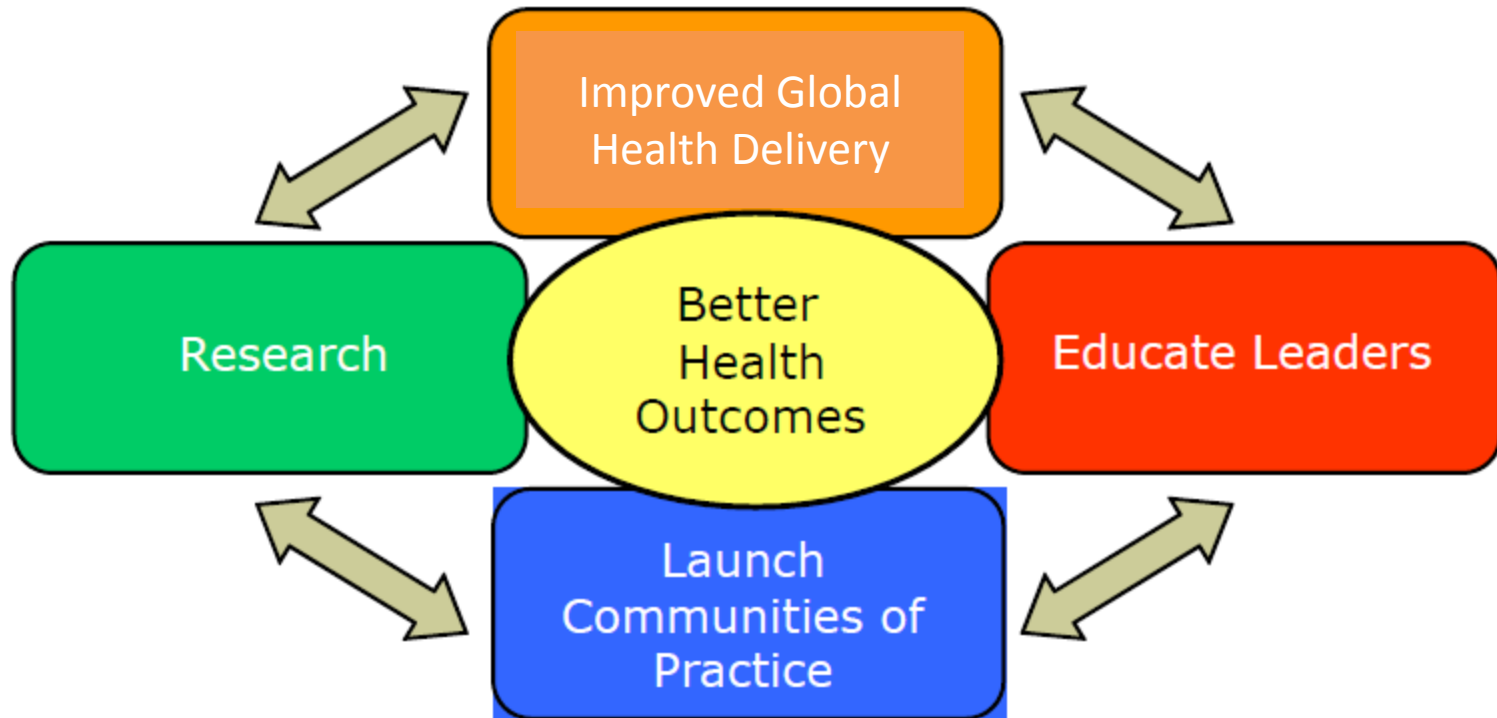
“Collaboration is speeding up the metabolism of research.”

**Jean-Claude Bradley**

*Head of Drexel University’s antimalarial research program, and founder of UsefulChem network*

# Collaborating for Better Health Outcomes

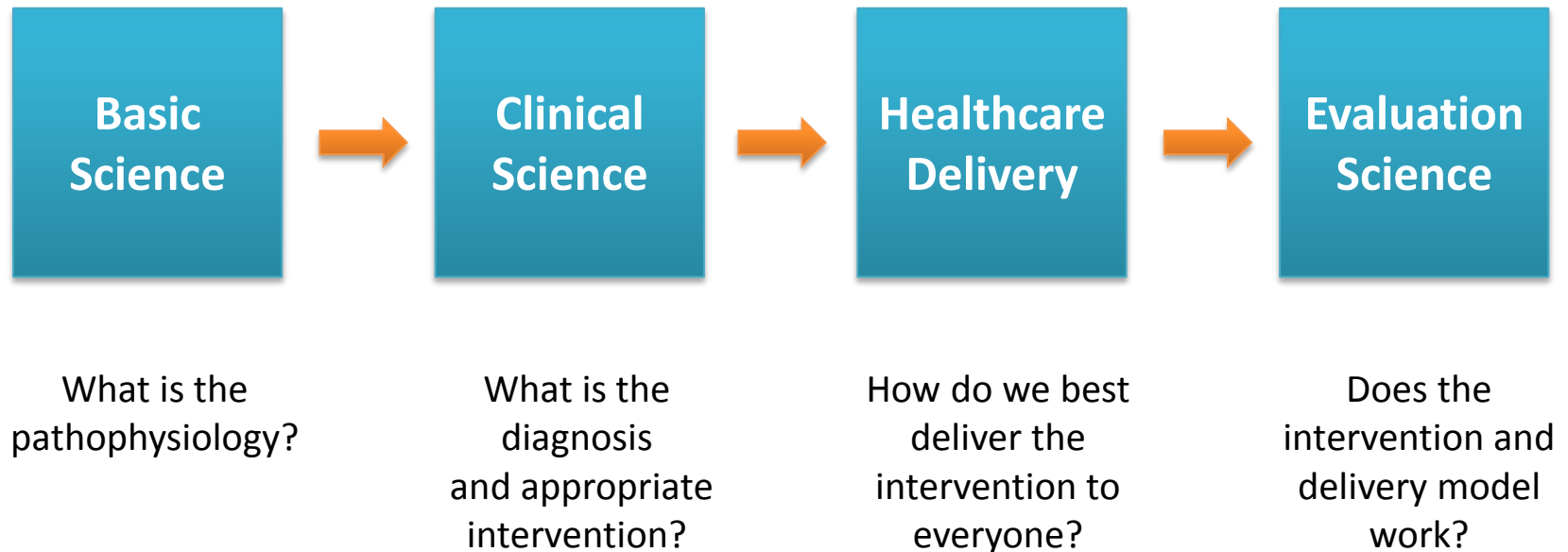
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**"Wikis"**

a community that comes together to collaborate in order to achieve a common objective

# Health Research as a Value Chain



Collaboration is the key to efficiency

# Who Should Collaborate...

## And Why

| GOVERNMENT           | PRIVATE SECTOR        | NGOs                |
|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Public policy        | Access to capital     | Community knowledge |
| Enforcement of rules | Technical knowledge   | Volunteer Assets    |
| State revenues       | Commercial network    | Leadership          |
| Legality             | Management skills     | Values              |
| Inflexible           | Insensitive to others | Limited financing   |
| Slow                 | Short term focus      | Amateurish          |
| Poor coordination    | Numbers-driven        | Narrow focus        |

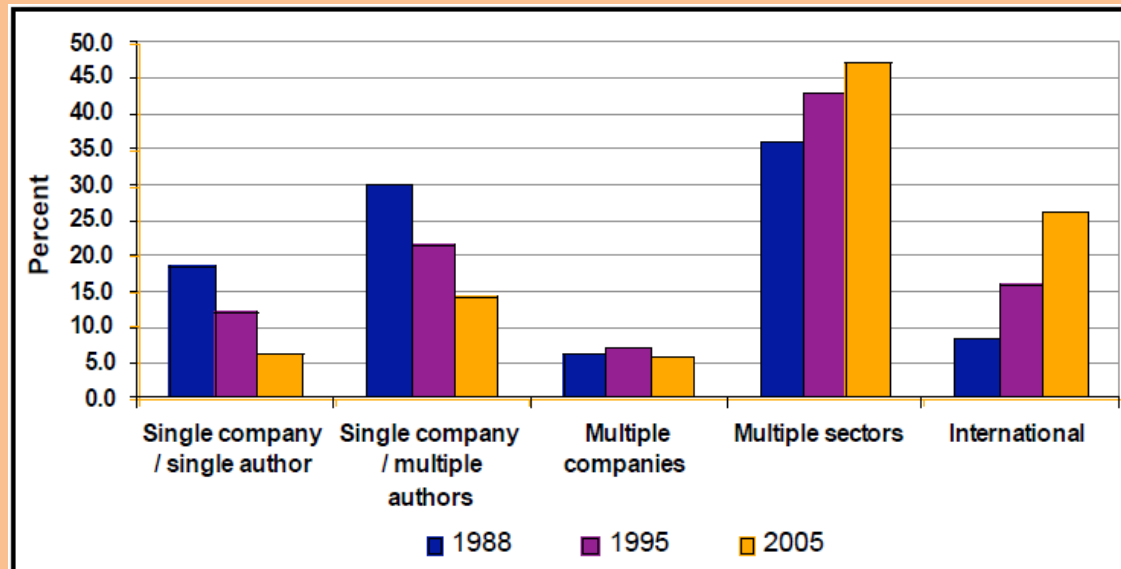
Source: Noke Kiroyan, AFCSR 2006

**Collaboration will leverage strengths and address vulnerabilities**

# Collaboration in science is exploding

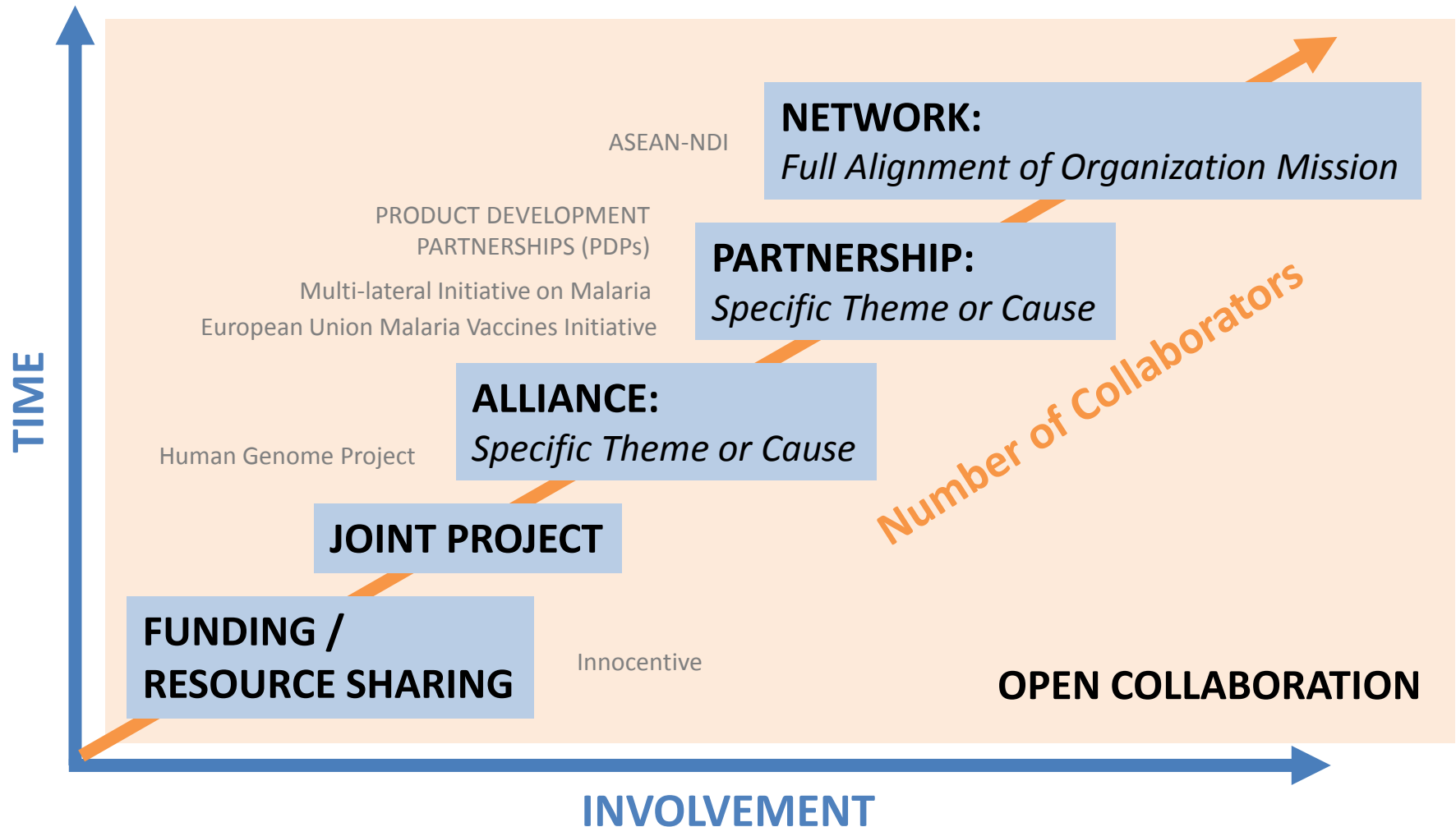
- The average number of authors per scientific paper has more than doubled
- 200-500 authors

**S&E articles with industry authors, by institutional author types, (1988, 1995, and 2005)**

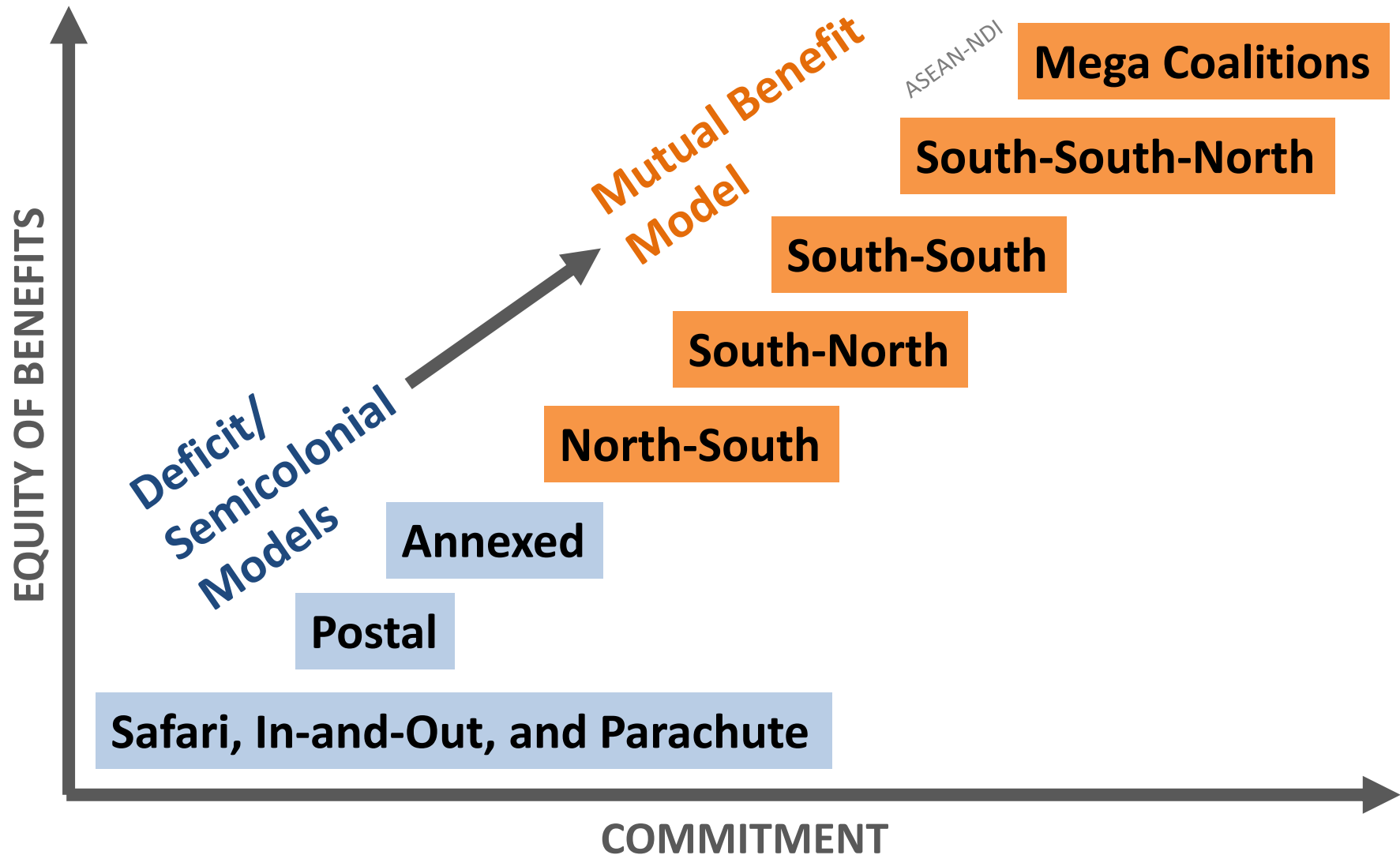


Source: NSF S&E Indicators 2008

# Types of Collaboration



# Models of Partnership in Global Health Research: A Development Perspective



# Deficit vs Mutual Benefit Models

- **Deficit Model:**

- Presumes that “the South” is deficient in knowledge/people/ capacity and that “the North” is able to provide technical assistance or ‘know-how’
- The goal of the partnership is the assistance from the North to the South

- **Mutual Benefit Model:**

- Recognizes that a true collaborative arrangement provides a benefit to both parties
- Partners recognize the unique contribution of each
- Southern partners are recognized as having particular expertise to contribute to the partnership

# Deficit/Semicolonial Models

- **“Safari”, “In and Out” or “Parachute” research**  
Researchers from “the North” come to LMIC’s with their own research interests, obtain the specimens and data they want, then return to their labs and offices to write up their findings for publication
- **“Postal” model**  
Northern partners will have their Southern partners mail specimens to them
- **“Annexed sites”**  
Field research is led and managed by expatriate staff. While these sites have produced important research and trained some of the best researchers, they also represent a great drain on national health research institutions.

## North-South (N-S) Partnerships

- **Main influence** in the program (for example, the initial proposal, research design, or scientific and financial management) emanates from the **northern partners**.
- Examples: "annexed sites"

## South-North (S-N) Partnerships

- Initiated by institutions or research groups in the **South**, or where southern partners are primarily responsible for the direction and management of the program or project. **Inputs from "the North" are mainly technical and advisory.**
- Partnership may have clear mutual benefit for both southern and northern partners.

## South-South (S-S) Partnerships

- Initiated, conceived and organized by southern partners
- Work jointly on common problems, share expertise and experience, or to work jointly to interface northern or international partners from a position of equality.
- Southern partners pool resources and therefore create a robust partnership model with joint ownership.

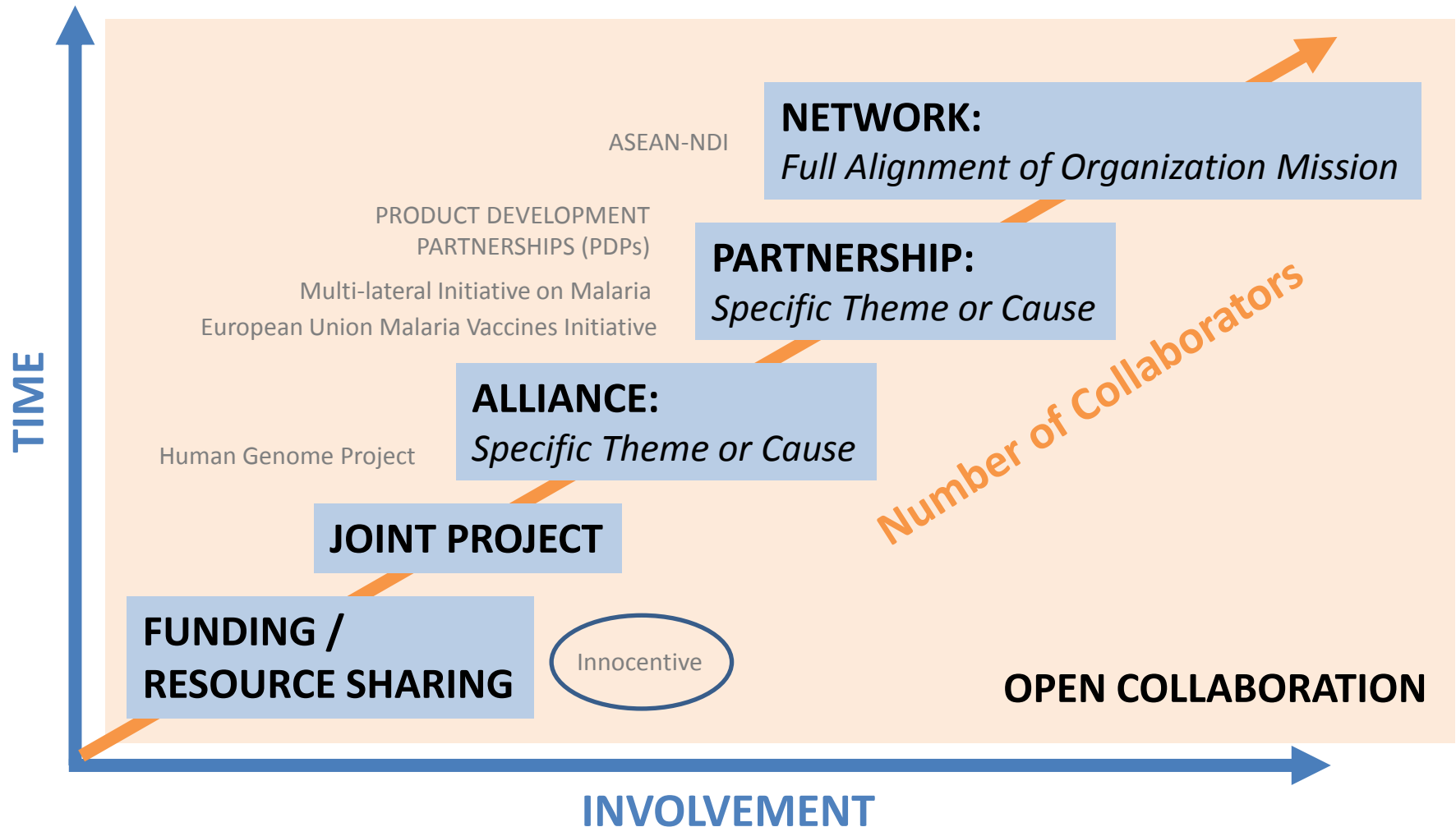
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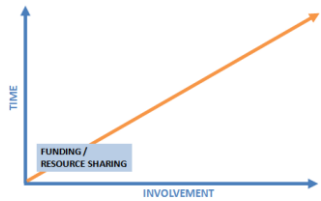
- S-S Partnerships may evolve into this model
- Initiated jointly by Southern partners or a mix of Southern and Northern partners
- No sense of hierarchy / partnership of equals
- May require partners to break out of the “South/North” descriptive paradigm to foster an equal collaboration

# Mega Coalitions and Initiatives

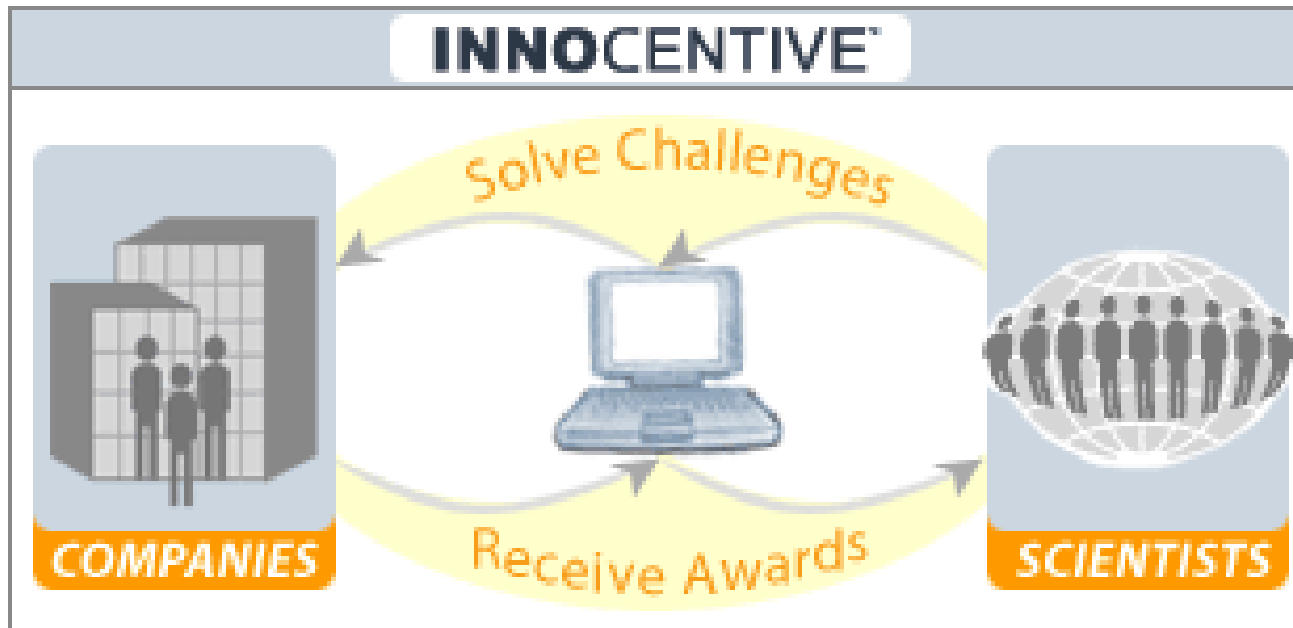
- Increasingly common arrangements
- More complex, typically involving several northern and southern institutions
- Focused on a specific problem or issue
- Examples:
  - Multi-lateral Initiative on Malaria (MIM)
  - European Union Malaria Vaccines Initiative
- Typically well-funded (i.e. through the Melinda and Bill Gates Foundation)

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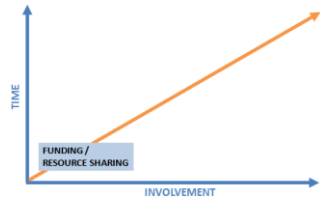




# Open Innovation: The InnoCentive Approach

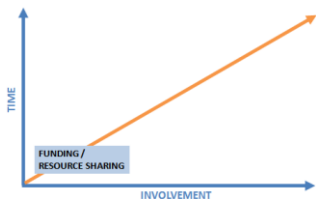


Companies contract with InnoCentive as "Seekers" to post R&D challenges. Scientists register as "Solvers" to review challenges and submit solutions online. The Seeker company reviews submissions and selects the best solution. InnoCentive issues the award amount to the winning scientist/Solver.



# InnoCentive: A New Funding Model for Research

| TRADITIONAL FUNDING MODEL  | FUNDING 2.0  |
|--|--|
| RFP by government agencies   | Open market by funding bodies  |
| Promote national science objectives and national research institutions | Maximize funding dollars by sourcing scientific ideas and talent on a global basis |
| Compete  | Collaborate  |
| Priority based on nationality, seniority, or star status               | Rewards most qualified   |
| Private/Closed   | Transparent/Open   |
| Publish in journals  | Open Access  |



# InnoCentive: By the Numbers

- **Year Founded:** 2001
- **Total Registered Solvers:** More than 260,000 from nearly 200 countries
- **Total Solver Reach:** 12+ million through their strategic partners (e.g., Nature Publishing Group, *Popular Science*, *The Economist*)
- **Total Challenges Posted:** 1,450+ External Challenges & hundreds of Internal Challenges (employee-facing)
- **Project Rooms Opened to Date:** 420,000+
- **Total Solution Submissions:** 31,000+
- **Total Awards Given:** 1,215+
- **Total Award Dollars Posted:** \$35+ million
- **Range of awards:** \$500 to \$1+ million based on the complexity of the problem and nature of the Challenge
- **Average Success Rate:** 57%

# Lessons from InnoCentive

1. The more diverse the scientific interests of the solvers attracted to the problem, the more likely the problem was to be solved
2. The further the problem was from the solvers' research area, the more likely they were to solve it.



Open collaboration can solve seemingly insurmountable R&D challenges

# Swiss Model:

## Eleven Principles for Partnership

- Decide on the objectives together
- Build up mutual trust
- Share information; develop networks
- Share responsibility
- Create transparency
- Monitor and evaluate the collaboration
- Disseminate the results
- Apply the results
- Share profits equitably
- Increase research capacity
- Build on the achievements

# Organizations that Promote Partnership and Innovation

| Innovation Spectrum                                      |                                    |                       |                       |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Basic Science  | Basic Technology & Applied Science | Integrated Technology | Products and Services |
| SynBERC  |                                    |                       |                       |
| Discovery Park   |                                    |                       |                       |
| Gates Foundation   |                                    |                       |                       |
| Mann Foundation  |                                    |                       |                       |
| University of Pennsylvania Office of Corporate Alliances |                                    |                       |                       |
| Biopolis   |                                    |                       |                       |

# Features that Promote Innovation

|                         | Develops Strategic Partnerships | Utilizes a Consortia Model | Substantially Leverages Government Funding | Focus on Open Collaboration | Provides Flexible or Novel Approaches for Technology Transfer | Links R&D, Education, Entrepreneurship, and/or Innovation | Establishes Clusters to Promote Innovation |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|---|--|
| <b>Biopolis</b>         | x                               | x                          | x  |                             | x   | x   | x  |
| <b>Discovery Park</b>   |                                 |                            | x  |                             | x   | x   | x  |
| <b>Gates Foundation</b> |                                 |                            | x  |                             |   |   |  |
| <b>Mann Foundation</b>  |                                 | x                          |  |                             |   |   |  |
| <b>SynBERC</b>          | x                               | x                          | x  |                             |   | x   |  |
| <b>UPenn OCA</b>        | x                               |                            |  |                             | x   |   |  |

# Biopolis

|                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| OVERVIEW                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• An <b>international biomedical sciences R&amp;D center</b> located in Singapore; launched 2003</li><li>• Singapore's Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) Biomedical Research Council (BMRC) supports, oversees and coordinates public sector biomedical R&amp;D activities</li><li>• <b>Provides space and shared equipment</b> for biomedical R&amp;D activities, and <b>promotes peer review and collaboration</b> among the private and public scientific community</li><li>• Over 2,000 scientists, researchers, technicians and administrators live and work here</li></ul> |
| GOALS                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Works in close partnership with the Ministry of Health in the national effort to <b>drive translational and clinical research</b> to bring scientific discoveries from the bench to the bedside, and ultimately <b>improve human health</b> and healthcare delivery</li></ul>   |
| INSTITUTIONS & PARTNERS INVOLVED | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Key Singapore government agencies</li><li>• Publicly-funded research institutes</li><li>• R&amp;D labs of pharmaceutical and biotech companies</li></ul>  |
| FUNDING                          | Developed and completed by SG government at a cost of \$500 million.  |
| TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER APPROACH     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A*STAR's strategic marketing and commercialization arm, ETPL, manages and consolidates the IP of A*STAR's research institutes</li><li>• Enhances the research output of its scientists by translating their inventions into marketable products or processes through licensing deals and spin-offs with industry partners</li></ul>   |
| CAPACITY BUILDING                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A*STAR Graduate Academy (A*GA) promotes science scholarships and other manpower development programs and initiatives</li><li>• Aims to train 1,000 Singaporean PhD candidates by 2015</li><li>• Provides awards to top local and foreign talent</li></ul>   |

# WHO Functions / Attributes of a Well-Functioning Health Research System

- **Stewardship Function**
  - Define and articulate a **vision** for a national health research system
  - Identify appropriate **health research priorities** and coordinate adherence to them
  - Set and monitor **ethical standards** for health research and research partnerships
  - **Monitor and evaluate** the health research system
- **Financing Function**
  - Secure **research funds** and **allocate** them accountably
- **Creating & Sustaining Resources**
  - Build, strengthen and sustain the **human and physical capacity** to conduct and absorb health research
- **Producing & Using Research**
  - Produce scientifically validated **research outputs**
  - **Translate and communicate** research to inform health policy, health practice, and public opinion
  - Promote the use of research to **develop drugs, vaccines, devices and other applications** to improve health

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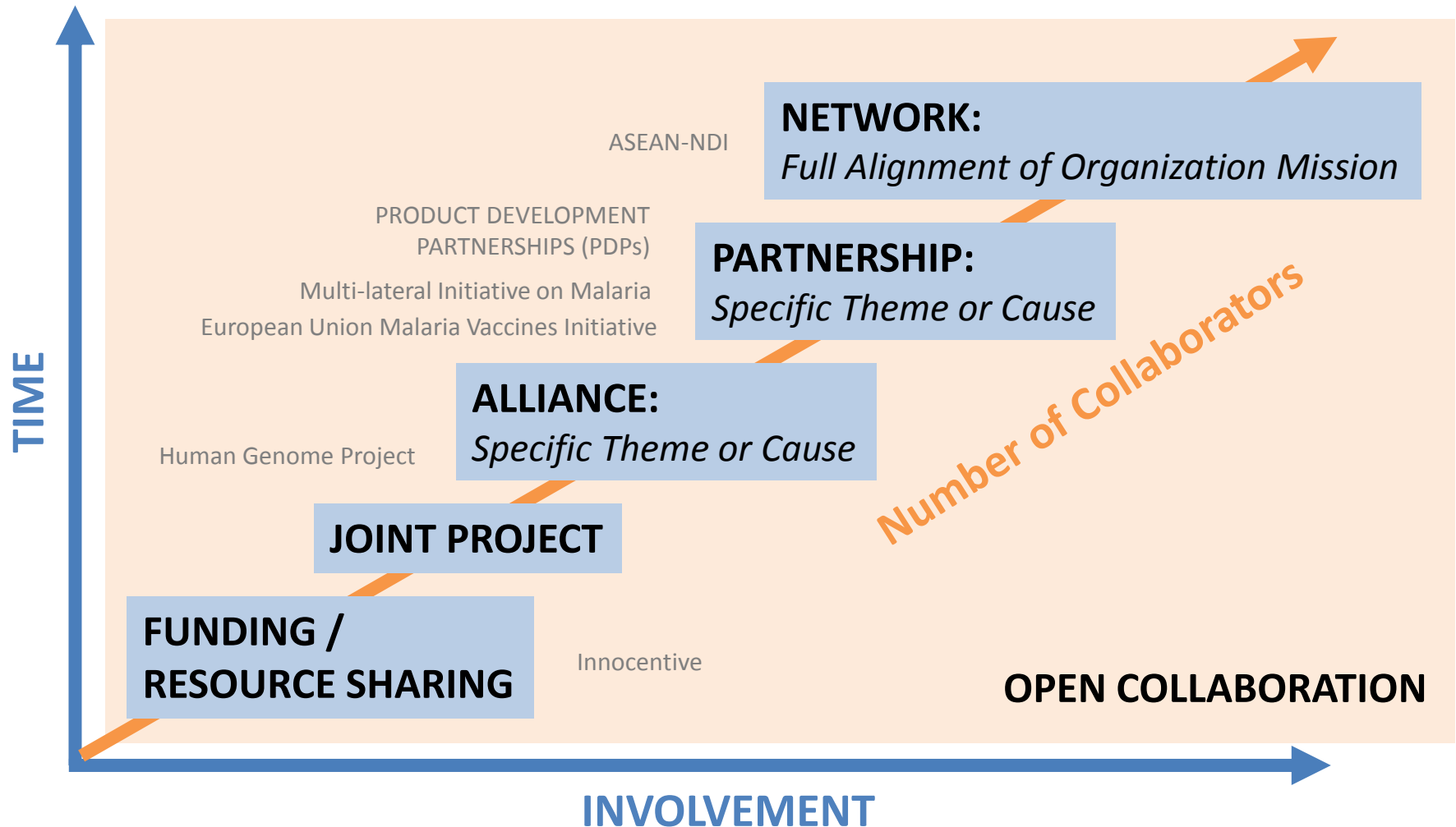
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|           |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ASEAN-NDI | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |
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# What is Open Collaboration?

- aka Open Innovation
- Development projects in which **multiple participants collaborate** and **openly share** what they develop
- Individuals and entire regions of the globe that would historically never interact can now collaborate on a research project in **real-time**
- Open collaborative innovation projects can be at a **larger scale** than any single user can undertake alone

# Open Collaboration is made possible by IT-mediated technologies



# R&D : Digital Collaboration

The interconnected digital age brings in vast opportunities for collaboration through **open-source systems** to solve some of these problems.

**Wikis** can provide shared space for **group learning, discussion and collaboration** from the drug discovery process, to coordinated and comprehensive attack of intractable diseases, to clinical trials open to **broader community of researchers**, etc.

# Open-source collaboration

- Open-source biology has become a reality in **antimalarial research** at Drexel University where a synthetic organic chemist is able to work through **UsefulChem**, a large network of scientists with complementary skills and knowledge that **share in real-time information** that otherwise would take years via conventional publishing.
- Similarly, **GlaxoSmithKline** has pledged cheaper medicines for the developing world through “**patent pools**” where information on relevant chemicals and processes are placed openly for use by other researchers.
- MIT’s International Genetically Engineered Machines Competition, set up in 2004, standardized parts and operate them in living cells. Some 8,000 “**BioBricks**” are hosted by MIT in a registry of the **organic fabrications**.
- **FluWikie.com** was set up during the **2009 H1N1 flu pandemic** with comprehensive information that no single government agency alone could put up. The site has specific information on the swine flu in Brunei and Vietnam, H1N1 virus in Indonesia, miscellaneous articles from the Philippines, Laos, Myanmar, etc., among others.

# Other Virtual R&D Networks

Other examples demonstrate the potential of virtual R&D networks:

- **Product Development Partnerships** in malaria, tuberculosis, neglected diseases
- **BIotechNOW** is a **multiblog platform** and monthly newsletter that is directed at the online community in biotechnology for **discussion** of the latest news in the industry
- **HealthSpace.Asia** is a social platform facilitating **collaboration in regional health** across existing networks, policy makers and researchers with interest in health policy and research.
- **Open Data Drives** – UK's Power of Information Task Force, recommended that all public agencies in the UK create **online innovation spaces** where the general public and staff can co-create information-based public services, e.g. Amazon, Flickr, and Apple.

# Product Development Partnerships

## Product development partnerships (PDPs) focusing on drugs

- 1) Institute of One World Health (<http://www.iowh.org/>)
- 2) Medicines for Malaria Venture (<http://www.mmv.org/>)
- 3) Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative (<http://www.dndi.org/>)
- 4) Global Alliance for TB Drug Development (<http://tballiance.org/>)

## Description

Type of organization: not-for-profit

Operating model: virtual R&D

Approach: building partnership with pharmaceutical industry, biotechnology companies, and academic institutions; utilizing portfolio management approach

Funding: philanthropy, governments, etc.

Location: mainly in developed countries

Capacity building: limited

# Partnerships of biotech firms in neglected diseases

- SMEs in biotech are now fostering **innovation in neglected disease R&D** such as malaria, tuberculosis, dengue fever, etc., actively partnering with government agencies in **product development partnerships (PDPs)**.
- Across all neglected diseases, **biotech firms work alone only 36% of the time**, esp. TB and dengue (perceive potential market opportunities).
- **Involved in PDPs** and other partnerships with academic institutions in the **other 64%** of all products in the development pipeline for drugs, vaccines and diagnostics for neglected diseases.

# COLLABORATION IN HEALTH R&D

1. can lower costs
2. can accelerate production of health products and services

# High costs of R&D for drug development

The enormous funding needed for R&D is suggested by:

- Tapscott and Williams who report that “a typical new drug takes **ten to fifteen years** and an average of **\$800 million** to develop,”
- Donlon who notes that “bringing a drug to market (from discovery and development to clinical trials and government approval) costs, on average, approximately **\$1 billion** and takes anywhere from 7.5 to 11 years.”
- This has dramatically increased from the Tufts University \$200 million cost estimate for developing new pharmaceutical products (prescription drugs) in the 1980's, which Besanko, et.al., re-estimated at \$400 million , numbers that show that the average fixed costs of prescription drugs vary widely with the sales volume.

# WHO: delink costs of R&D from drug prices

WHO experts reviewed the evidence on health R&D relevant to developing countries, beginning with the pioneering work of the Commission on Health Research and Development (CHRD) in 1990 and subsequent estimates by the 1996 Ad Hoc Committee on Health Research, the Global Forum on Health Research, and latter the estimates produced by G-Finder.

WHO also reviewed the evidence relating to new product development in the last decade, including products developed by public–private partnerships for product development.

WHO noted the importance of linking research strategies to access considerations and, in that context, the relevance of delinking the costs of R&D from the price of products.

# Cooperation in R&D Can Lower Costs

Krisana Kraisintu:

Lower costs of HIV/AIDS drugs in Thailand and Africa



- Developed the world's first generic antiretroviral (ARV) drug at  $\frac{1}{4}$  the cost of the branded product
- **Working with NGO** advocates lobbying for lower consumer prices, she weathered major legal battles to produce the second generic ARV drug ddl (didanosine); still later she and her team invented a "cocktail" drug known as GPO-VIR, which is 18x cheaper than the regimens of multiple pills taken by AIDS patients
- GPO in 2010 produced seven types of ARVs, with production sufficient to treat 150,000 patients a year in Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam
- Brought her expertise to 15 African countries, helping them to locally manufacture affordable medicines

# WHO Review of Trends in the Pharmaceutical Industry

- Fall in the approval of new drugs, including those with new therapeutic effect
- R&D expenditures have continued to rise and many existing top-selling medicines are going out of patent
- the pharmaceutical industry response:
  - mergers and acquisitions,
  - greater focus on emerging markets
  - search for **new and better models of innovation**
    - “open innovation” involving more open collaboration with external partners
    - Breaking down the steps in the drug development value chain: **outsourcing**

# Breaking Down the Steps in the Drug Discovery Value Chain: Outsourcing

The drug discovery value chain in fully integrated pharmaceutical corporation or FIPCO has changed as major pharmaceutical firms now **outsource** a number of their functions, e.g., Pfizer and Eli Lilly. FIPCOs have unbundled their three core businesses into *product innovation*, *infrastructure*, and customer relationship.

- Biotech firms have taken over the **product innovation business**, with specialist firms focusing on developing **technologies that speed the drug discovery process** for pharmaceutical firms.
- Pharma firms have also outsourced their **infrastructure** to **contract research organizations (CROs)** for the clinical testing phase. Such unbundling of services have made it possible for companies to specialize in a particular field, enabling them to respond more quickly to changing opportunities.
- Pharma firms however maintained the **customer relationship** business in the life-science industry including the **marketing and selling** of drugs.

# African Network for Drugs and Diagnostics Innovation (ANDI)

- Launched 2008
- Goal: “To promote and sustain African-led product R&D innovation through the discovery, development and delivery of affordable new tools, including those based on traditional medicines”
- Vision: "Creating a sustainable platform for R&D innovation in Africa to address Africa’s own health needs"
- Will also support capacity and infrastructural development

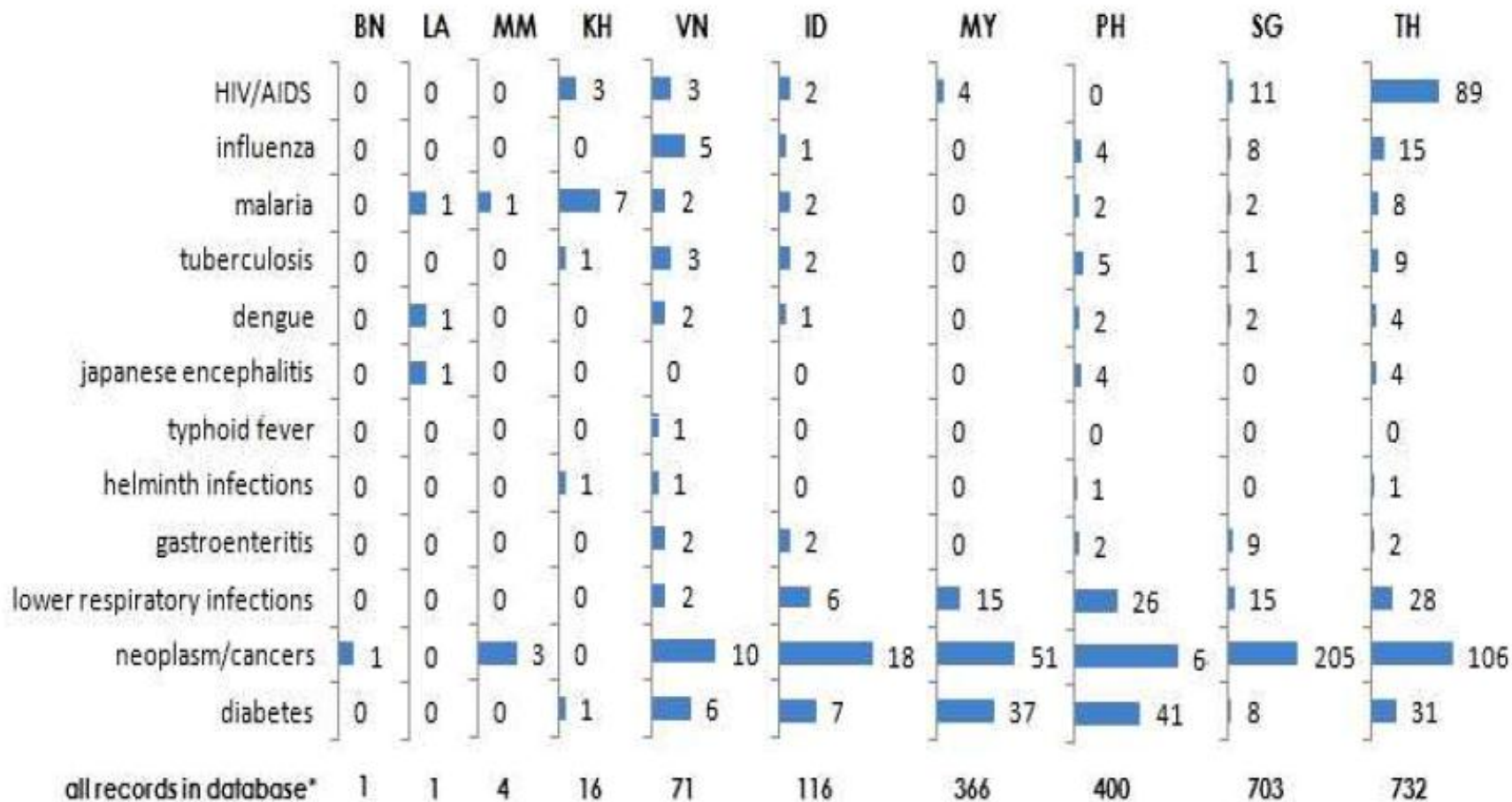


In 2011, ANDI established 32 Centres of Excellence in Health Innovation

# ASEAN **Network** for Drugs, Vaccines, and Diagnostics **Innovation** (ASEAN-NDI)



# Clinical Trials in ASEAN

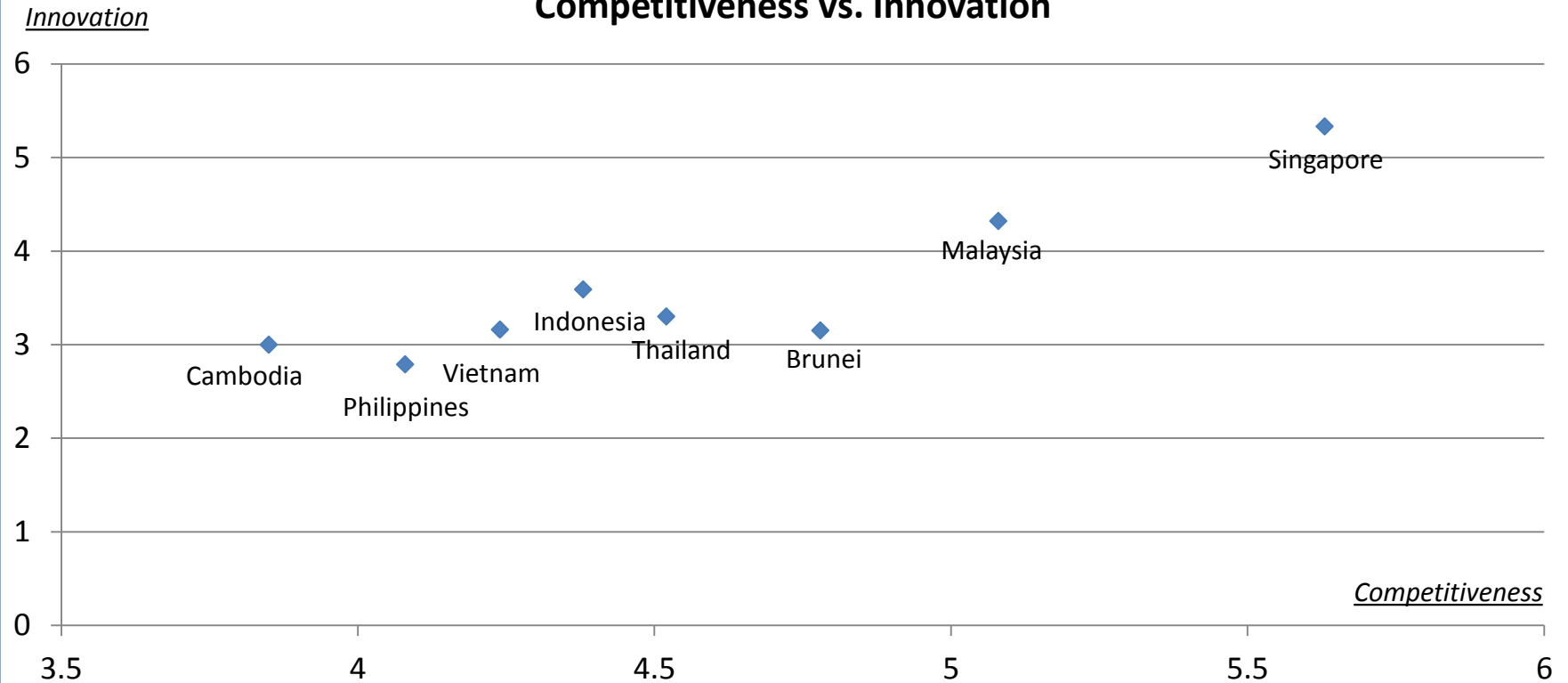


**Figure. Most clinical trials in the ASEAN region are focused on maladies and conditions other than tropical infectious diseases.** Only trials which are currently "open" or "recently completed" in the clinicaltrials.gov database (as of July 2010) were counted.

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\*ClinicalTrials.gov. Data on numbers of clinical trials per country. Retrieved from <http://clinicaltrials.gov/>. Accessed July 2010.

## Competitiveness vs. Innovation



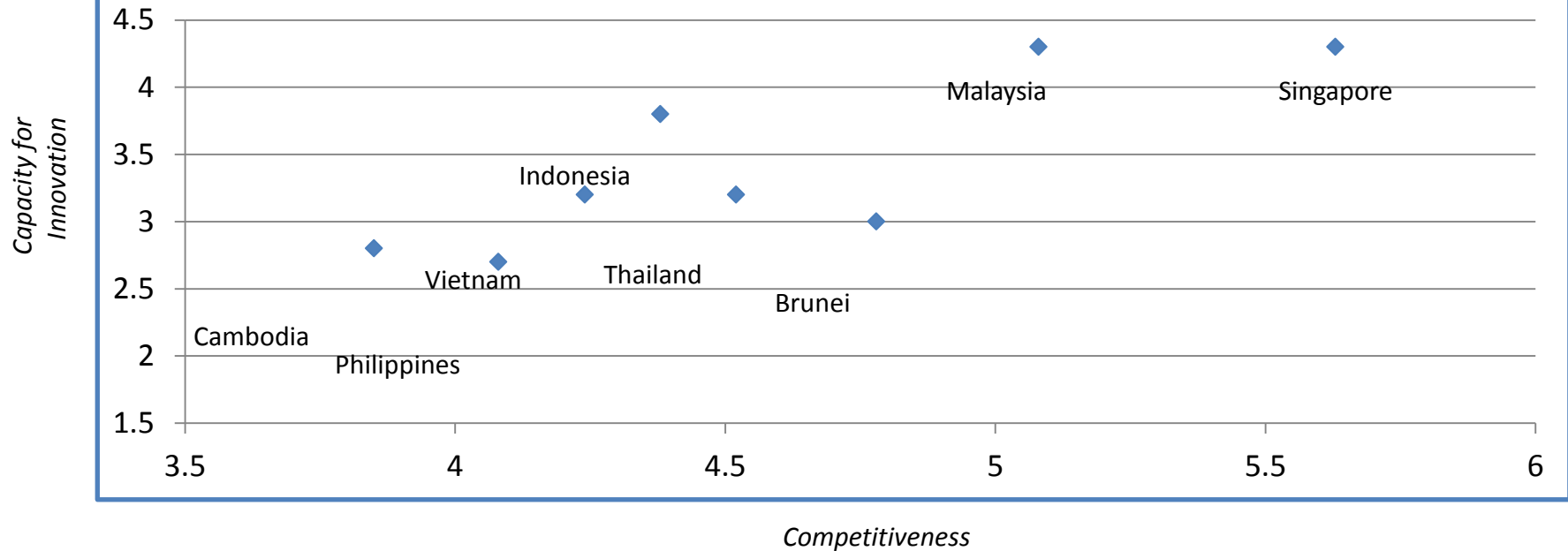
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| Vietnam     | 65              | 66         |

Score/7

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| Cambodia    | 3.85            | 3.00       |
| Indonesia   | 4.38            | 3.59       |
| Malaysia    | 5.08            | 4.32       |
| Philippines | 4.08            | 2.79       |
| Singapore   | 5.63            | 5.33       |
| Thailand    | 4.52            | 3.30       |
| Vietnam     | 4.24            | 3.16       |

## Competitiveness vs. Capacity for Innovation



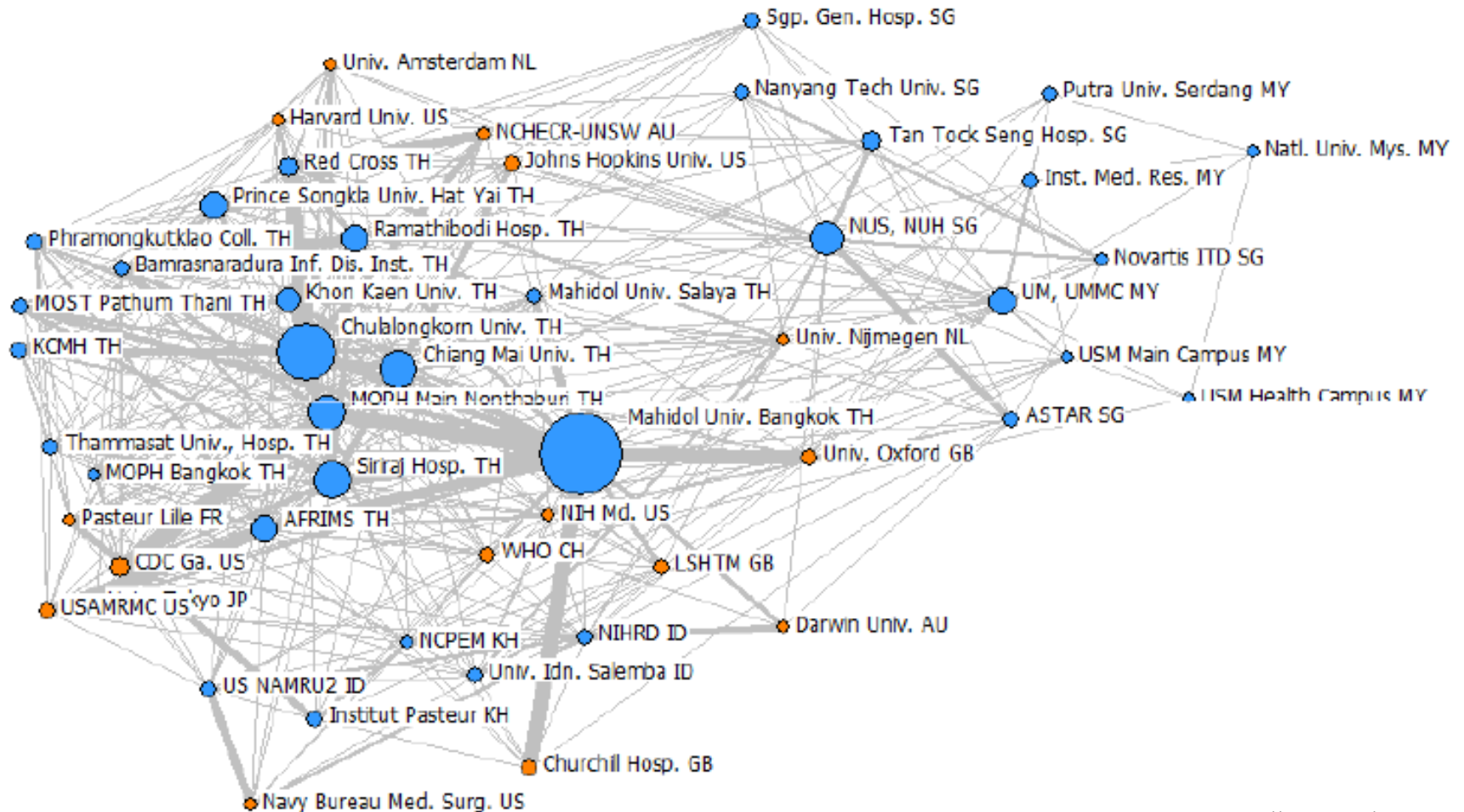
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| Singapore   | 5.63            | 4.3                     |
| Thailand    | 4.52            | 3.2                     |
| Vietnam     | 4.24            | 3.2                     |

# Collaborations among top 50 most productive institutions for infectious disease research

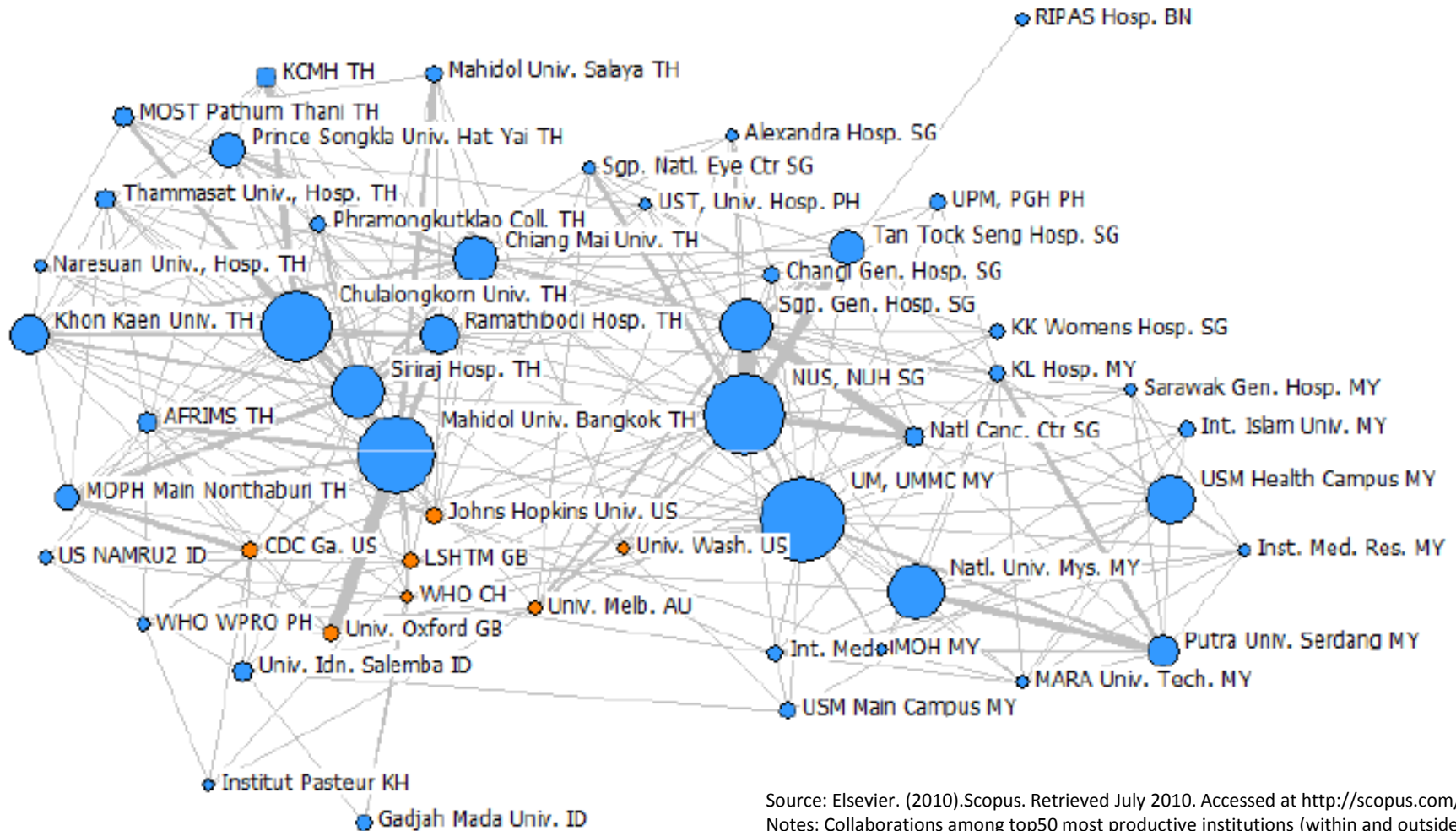


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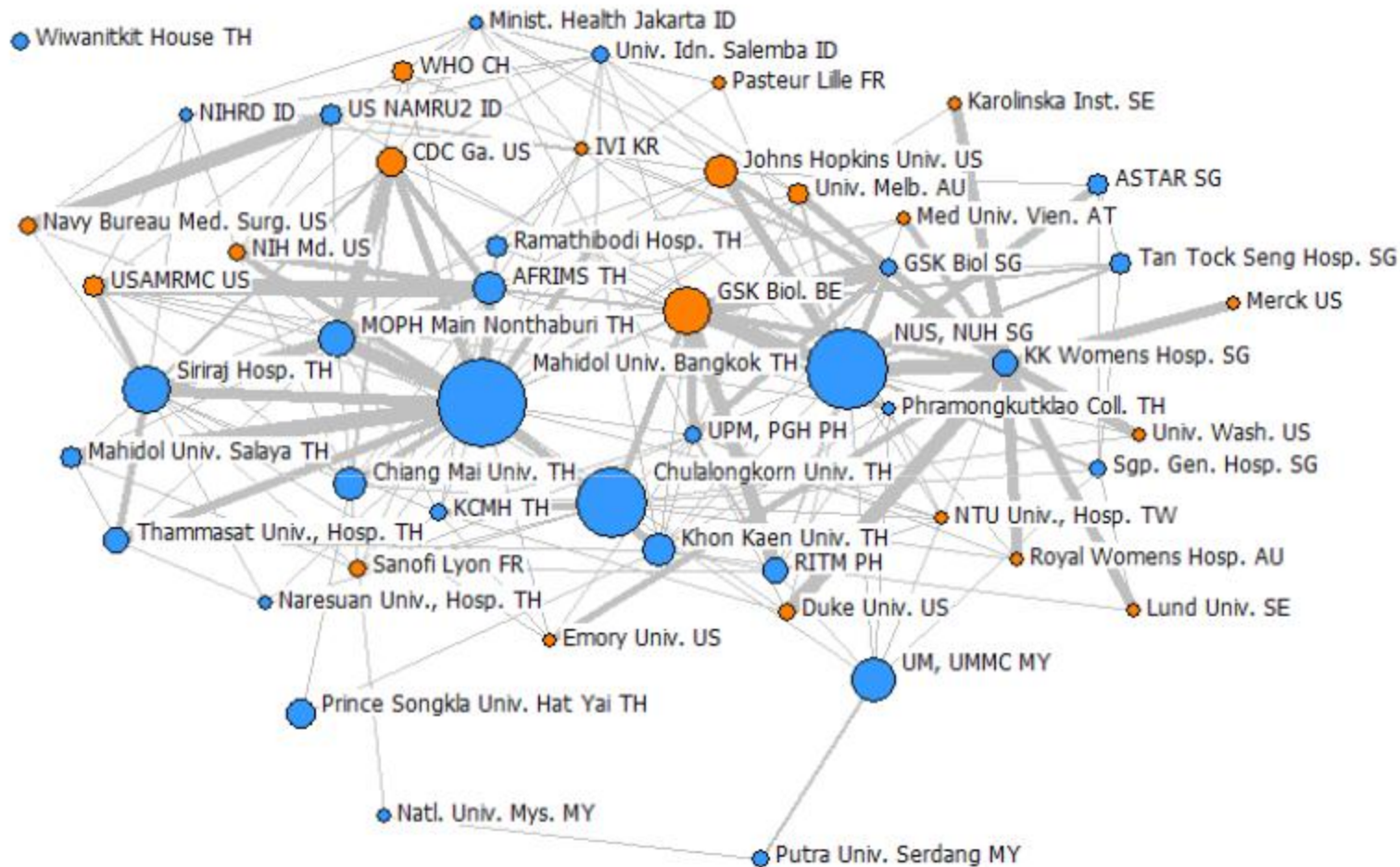
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# Collaborations among top 50 most productive institutions for vaccines research



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# ASEAN-NDI Mission/Vision

- **Mission** (proposed)

To address the unmet public health needs of ASEAN nations through the advancement of ASEAN-led health product innovation in the areas of drugs, vaccines, traditional medicine and diagnostics in order to improve health outcomes in the ASEAN region, and beyond, and to support its sustainable regional economic development

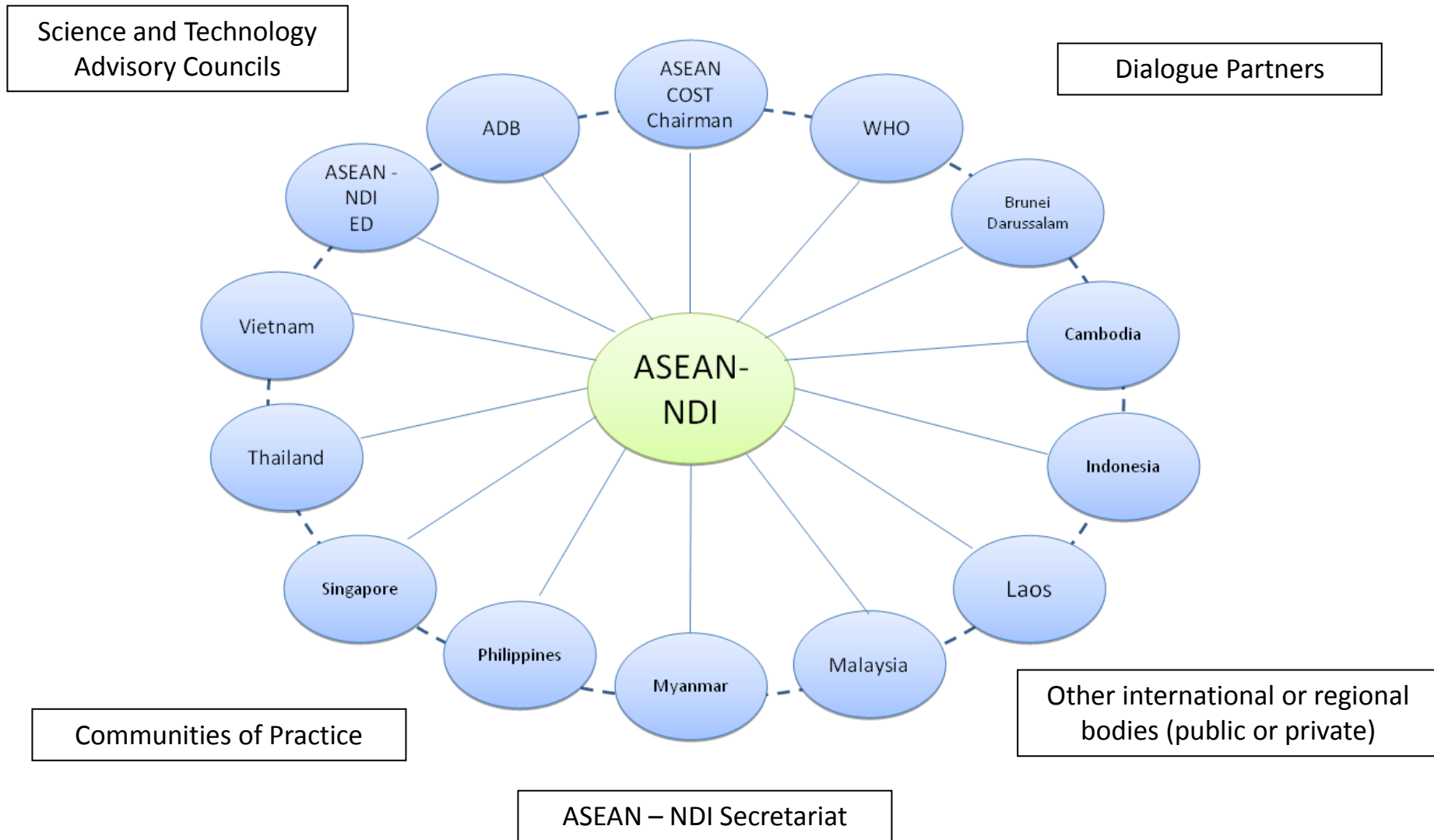
- **Vision** (proposed)

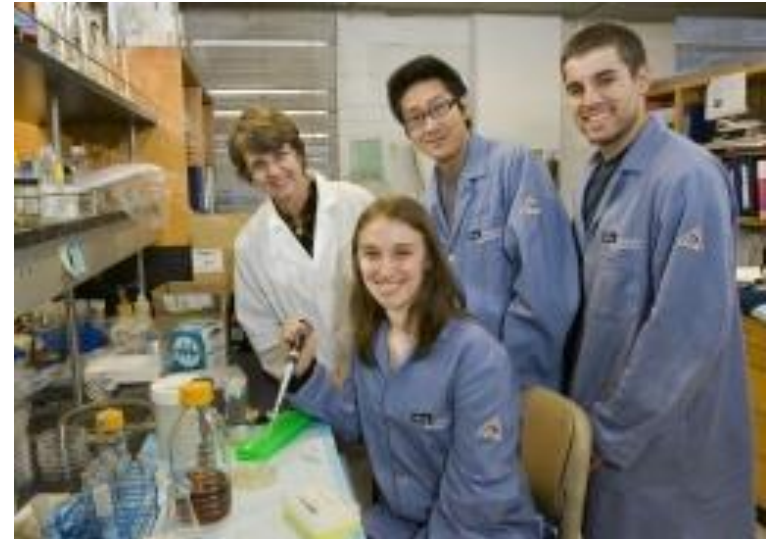
To be Asia's premier facilitator for collaborative innovation in R&D in health products

# ASEAN–NDI Framework

| Problems                          | Inputs   | Processes   | Outputs   | Outcomes   |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| Low Degree of Collaboration       | Local researchers in regional networks                 | R&D processes including traditional medicine  | <p>Affordable new health products, e.g. drugs, vaccines, diagnostics including those based on traditional medicine/ complimentary and alternative medicine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Efficiency</li> <li>•Quality</li> <li>•Access</li> </ul> | <p>Improved health status (poor , rich)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Delivery/ access</li> <li>•Customer satisfaction</li> <li>•Risk reduction</li> </ul> |
| Significant knowledge gap         | Global information & knowledge access; local knowledge | Explicit and tacit knowledge used; Appro-tech vs. hi-tech monitoring and reporting systems                          |   |  |
| Insufficient investment           | Health research system infrastructure (hard and soft)  | From R&D activities to the production/ distribution process; Ethics standards adoption/ adaptation & implementation |   |  |
| Ownership of R&D in and for ASEAN | ASEAN Innovation Fund                                  |   |   |  |

# ASEAN – NDI Governing Board Structure (proposed)

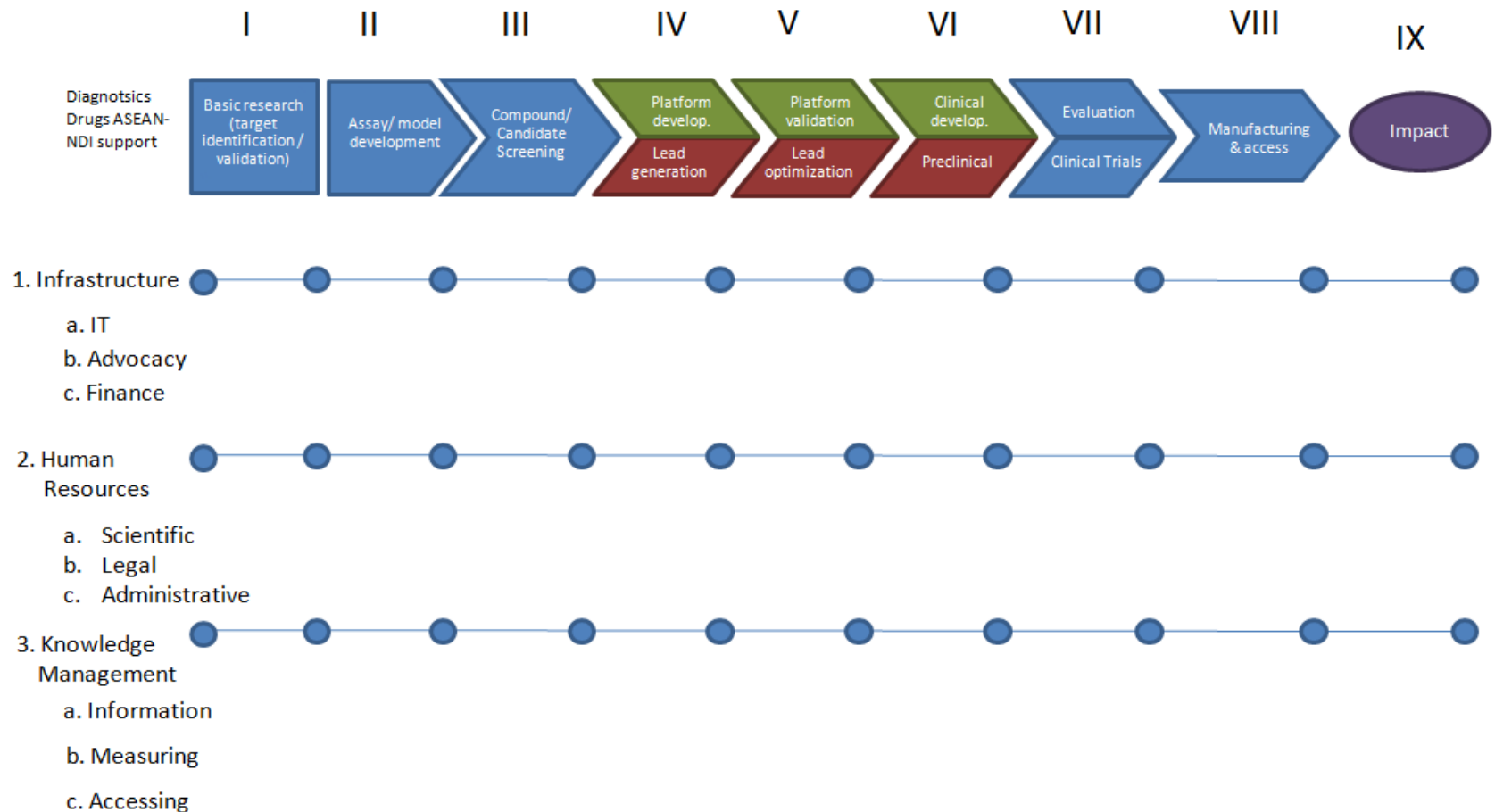




# **MANAGEMENT ISSUES FOR SCIENTISTS AND HEALTH PROFESSIONALS**

- 1. R&D value chain**
- 2. Knowledge management**
- 3. Financing public goods**

# THE ASEAN-NDI R&D VALUE CHAIN: Inputs



The inclusion of Innovation Systems

# Innovation Communities Depend on an Innovation System

## 1. Platform

Merges stakeholder networking and idea management functions

## 2. Process

Aggregating stakeholder knowledge and leveraging this knowledge

## 3. Monitoring and Evaluation System

Assess progress on implementation and review outcomes

## 4. Metrics

Measure the value and flow of ideas

## 5. Governance Structure

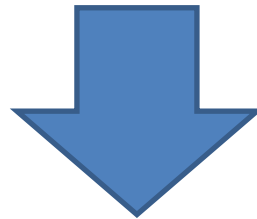
To facilitate above

# Activities of Innovation-Driven Communities of Practice (COPs)

**Innovation  
Community  
Activities**

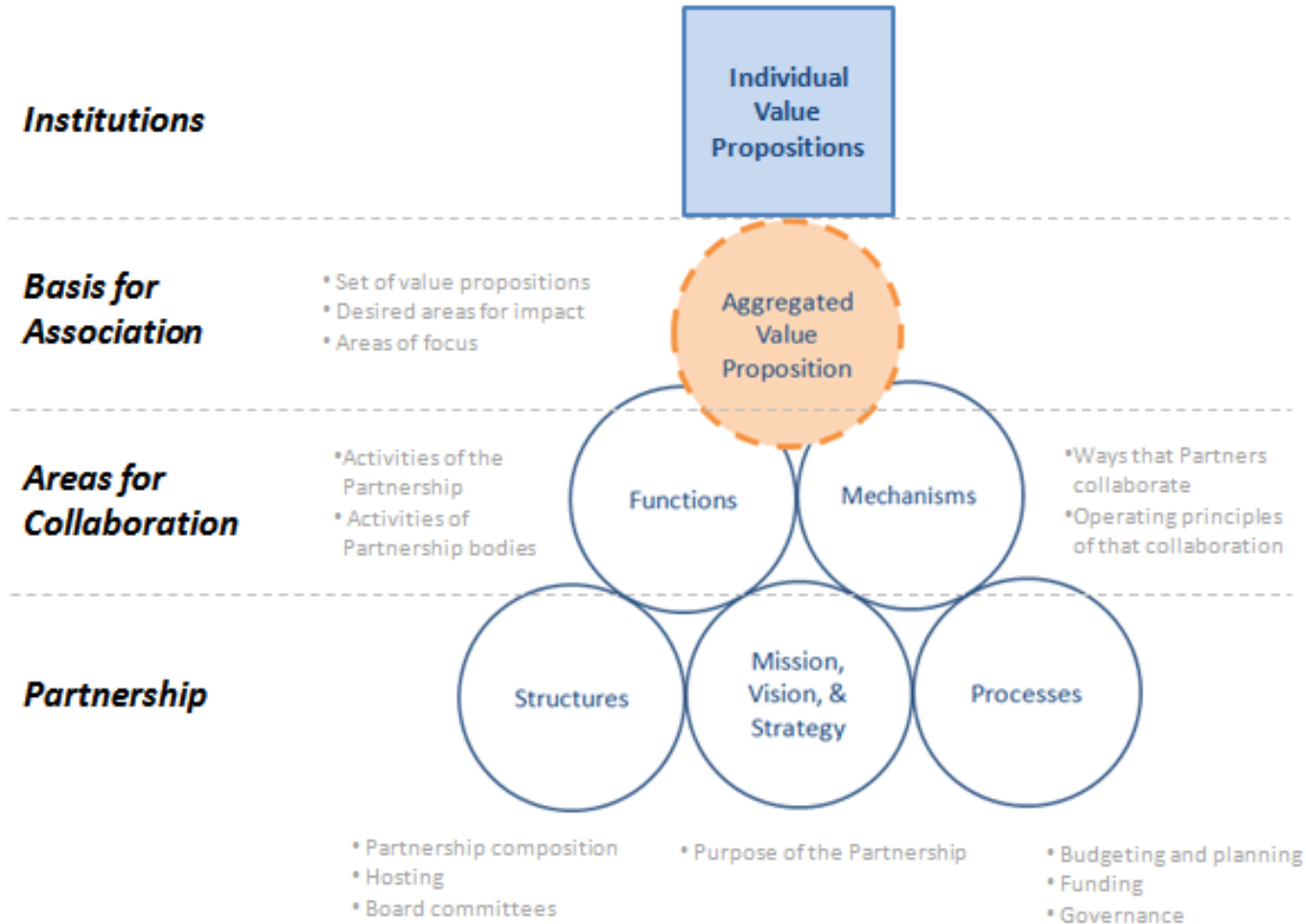


**ASEAN-NDI  
Platform Support  
Provisions**



Coordinated and Cooperative Strategy

# COP Partner Value Mapping



# Knowledge Management (KM) for ASEAN-NDI

- Definition:

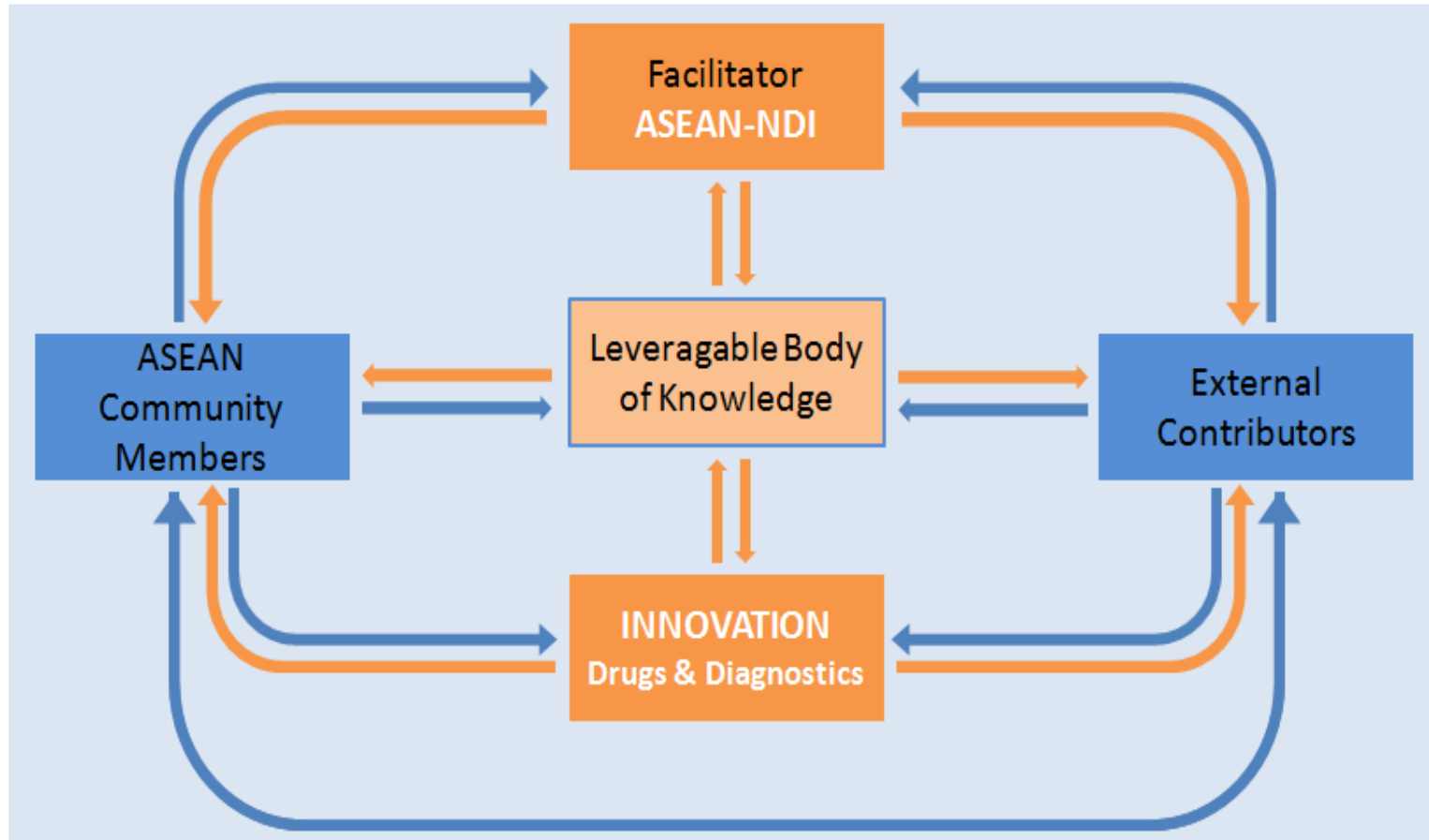
KM is about the sourcing and deploying of knowledge (e.g., human capital such as scientists and professionals) through workable practices (structural capital that include laboratory equipment, research facilities, as well as **codified and tacit knowledge** among COPs) and working relationships (relationship capital of scientists with other stakeholders in the polity, society and economy), to improve overall organizational performance.

*The provision of appropriate knowledge to the right parties at the right time, in order to help them apply such knowledge in ways to achieve desired goals.*

# Knowledge Management (KM) System for ASEAN-NDI: The Participants

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| <b>ASEAN<br/>Community Members</b> | ASEAN stakeholders with a common interest who will gain from utilizing the LBK. The underlying logic behind this is that individual community members who maybe slower in creating the LBK independently, e.g. collaborative health care Web-based models, may need ASEAN-NDI.  |
| <b>External Contributors</b>       | Participants outside the ASEAN community who have valuable and relevant knowledge (and other resources) that become part of, or enable the development of the LBK. Thus the ASEAN community members' needs will determine the extent of interaction with external contributors. External contributors can include Web-based communities also. |
| <b>ASEAN-NDI = Facilitator</b>     | ASEAN-NDI, acting as facilitator, manages the set of processes, infrastructure, and interactions which build on the LBK, especially if community members and external contributors are not capable of managing the LBK.   |

# Knowledge Management and the Knowledge Network: The foundation of the ASEAN-NDI COPs



The Leveragable Body of Knowledge (LBK) consists of both the **explicit** and **tacit** knowledge of the participants

# Shared Infrastructure: Integrating Vertical & Horizontal Programs

The diagram illustrates the integration of vertical and horizontal programs through a shared infrastructure. At the top, three orange vertical bars represent input or support. These lead into a central blue rounded rectangle labeled 'ASEAN-NDI Shared Integrated Resource Infrastructure'. From the bottom of this central box, three large orange arrows point downwards towards a row of seven blue boxes representing specific program provisions. The entire structure is supported by a base of seven blue boxes labeled 'ASEAN-NDI Platform Support Provisions'.

**ASEAN-NDI Shared Integrated Resource Infrastructure**

**ASEAN-NDI  
Platform Support  
Provisions**

Secure, protected  
environment

Flexible idea  
submission

Easy accessibility  
and searchability

Community  
interactivity

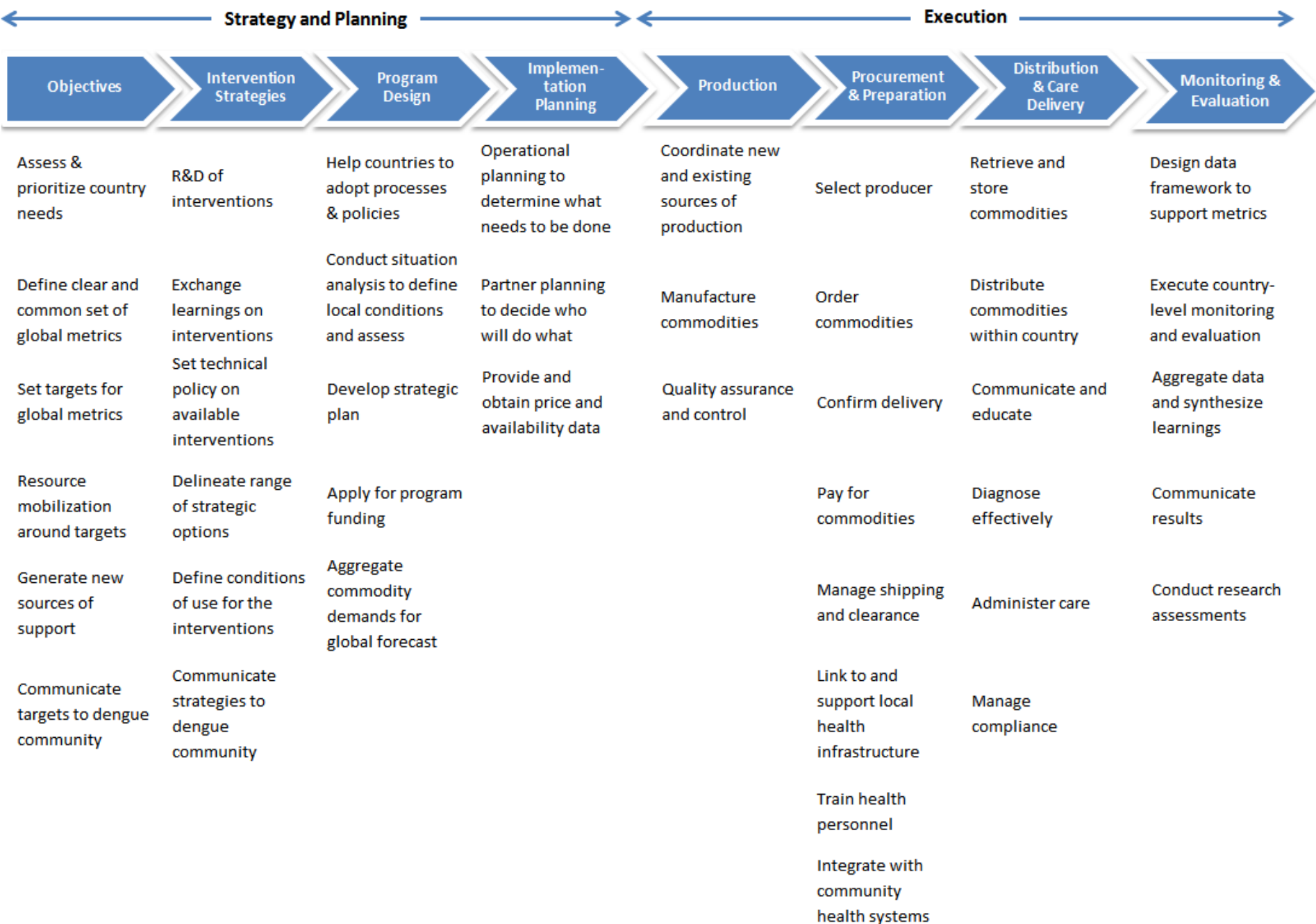
Intelligent  
notification

Workflow  
configuration

Management  
tools

**Focus-Specific Programs (i.e. Communities of Practice)**

# Dengue Value Chain



# Will the ASEAN NDI COP Value Chains be sustainable?

- **Stakeholder-Driven and Participatory System → SUSTAINABILITY**
- The COPs will engage stakeholders from all levels of the value chain in crafting a value chain solution/strategy that maximizes opportunities and minimizes constraints in order to maximize competitiveness, all in a manner that emphasizes healthy and strategic collaboration.

# How will ASEAN-NDI be funded?

Different **cost-sharing** arrangements for

- curbing the spread of a pest or disease
- monitoring an outbreak
- creating crisis management teams
- developing a best-practice for treating region-specific disease
- treating diseased patient

The cost-sharing will depend on the **characteristics of the public good**: non-rivalry, excludability, aggregation technology. These sound technical – but that is the spirit of managerial sciences and economics – to provide guidance based on principles, not mere “gut feel” of what lay people believe should guide them.

# Innovative Sources of Financing for Network Communities in Health Research (1)

Proposals on funding including four innovative sources **assessed on the following criteria**: fundraising capacity, additionality, likelihood of acceptability, and operational efficiency:

- **New indirect tax**: more **progressive** rather than regressive (rich bearing the tax burden in greater proportion than poor), as an airline tax channeled through an international mechanism, and if **regressive**, such as “sin” tax, this aspect could be redressed by altering other taxes; taxes on fat, sugar and tobacco (which are directly health-related); financial transactions tax; tobacco solidarity contribution
- **Voluntary contributions** from businesses and consumers: Former US President Bill Clinton and UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon launched **MASSIVEGOOD**, a voluntary airline consumer contribution arranged by the Millennium Foundation of UNITAID  
(unfortunately not a well-recognized brand outside the global health community → of the forecast revenues of US\$590M in 2010 and US\$980M in 2011, only US \$200,000 was raised in 2010 and much less in 2011)

# Sources of Financing (2)

- **Taxation of repatriated profits of the pharmaceutical industry:** Brazil's proposal for a 1% **tax on profits of non-domestic pharma firms** ; proceeds can be recycled by a directing council which can give funds to the research entities, e.g., in ASEAN NDI including the drug companies themselves.

However, ASEAN NDI will have to conduct additional research on transfer pricing, international corporate taxation, applicable tax agreements, relationships with national industry, and commitments made by individual countries in their trade and investment agreements.

- **New donor funds for health R&D:** additional assistance from existing donors not likely in a weak global economy given the fallout from the Euro crisis, the US subprime mortgage crisis, and post-tsunami Japan

# Sourcing is one side of Finance; Uses of Funds is the other

## Principles of cost-sharing when there are PUBLIC GOODS

1. Understand what public goods are so that one is not enslaved by the idea that finance is mere sourcing of funds.
2. Public goods are characterized by:
  - Non-rivalry in consumption
  - Non-excludability or difficulty to exclude some consumers from the production perspective
  - Aggregation technology – the extent to which commonality is shared by different publics
3. Principles for efficient use of funds are needed to use/disburse monies from members, donors, partners, etc.

# Conclusion:

## Ideas to take home for action

- There are many models for collaboration and partnership in health research
- Scaling up health cooperation/collaboration in ASEAN through **network communities** like ASEAN-NDI is a way **to improve access to affordable, quality and timely health products**
- R&D professionals must be aware that they are part of a **value chain** working towards a set of **outcomes**
- **Collaboration increases innovation** (and can solve seemingly insurmountable R&D challenges), and is supported by the use of **IT-mediated technologies**
- **Knowledge management** is fundamental to open collaboration