



# Experiences with the “Regions for Economic Change” fast-track initiative

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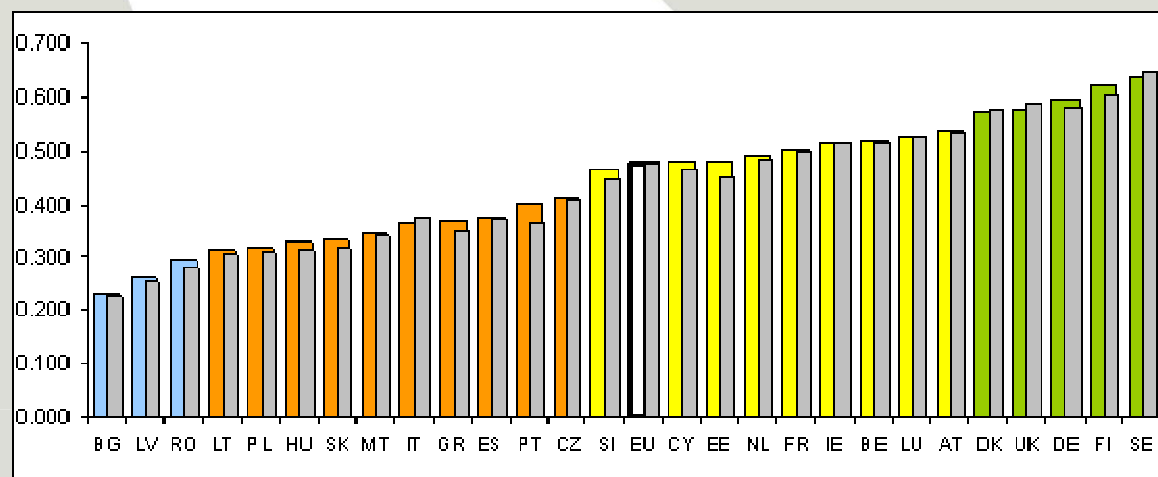


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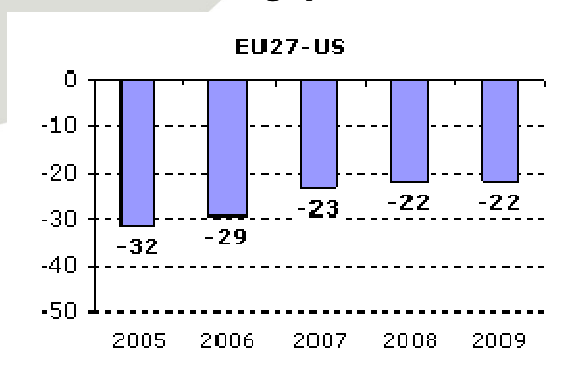
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# European Innovation Scoreboard 2009

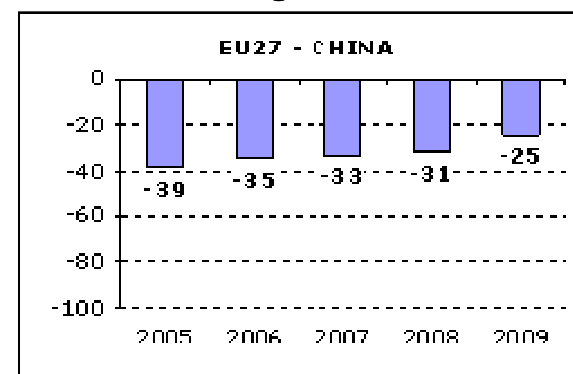
## Summary innovation performance EU27 Member States (2009 SII)



## EU27 Innovation gap towards US and Japan



## Declining lead to China



## ***European Innovation Scoreboard 2009 for RAPIDE***

<b>UK</b>	<b>Innovation leader, innovation performance is above the EU27 average but the rate of improvement is negative and below that of the EU27</b>
<b>HU</b>	<b>Moderate innovator with an innovation performance well below the EU27 average but a rate of improvement above that of the EU27</b>
<b>ES</b>	<b>Moderate innovator, innovation performance is below the EU27 average and the rate of improvement is also below that of the EU27</b>
<b>PL</b>	<b>Moderate innovator, with an innovation performance considerably below the EU27 average but an above average rate of improvement</b>
<b>FI</b>	<b>Innovation leader, innovation performance is well above the EU27 average and the rate of improvement is also above that of the EU27</b>
<b>SE</b>	<b>Innovation leader and the best performing EU Member State, although its rate of improvement is below that of the EU27</b>
<b>DE</b>	<b>Innovation leader with innovation performance considerably above the EU27 average and the rate of improvement is also above that of the EU27</b>
<b>CZ</b>	<b>Moderate innovator with innovation performance below the EU27 average but the rate of improvement is above that of the EU27</b>
<b>EE</b>	<b>Innovation follower, innovation performance is just below the EU27 average but the rate of improvement is above that of the EU27.</b>
<b>GR</b>	<b>Moderate innovator, innovation performance is below the EU27 average and the rate of improvement is above that of the EU27.</b>

## *Policy learning concept should be further developed*

- **From provision of information to real knowledge transfer**
- **From best practice to striving for better practice**
- **From exchange of experiences to working together on joint solutions for pre-defined challenges**
- **From networking to proactive partnerships**



## *Projects should be measured against IMPACT*

- **Direct impact** - what new practice elements have been transferred, how much funding has been leveraged?
- **Indirect impact** – what new developments have been triggered by the project? What would have happened without the project?
- **Potential impact** – what mindsets have been changed?





***Thank you for your attention!***

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