CIVISTI method for future studies with strong participative elements

PACITA- second practitioner meeting

Sofia, April 17-19, 2013
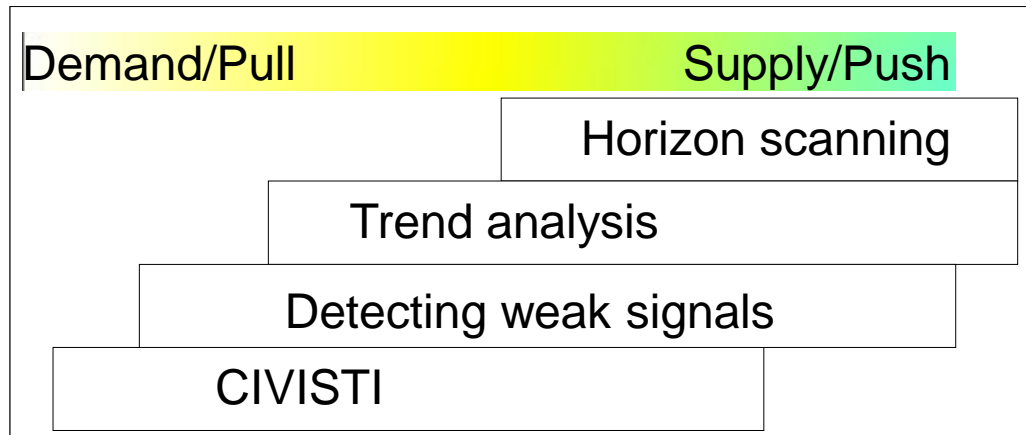
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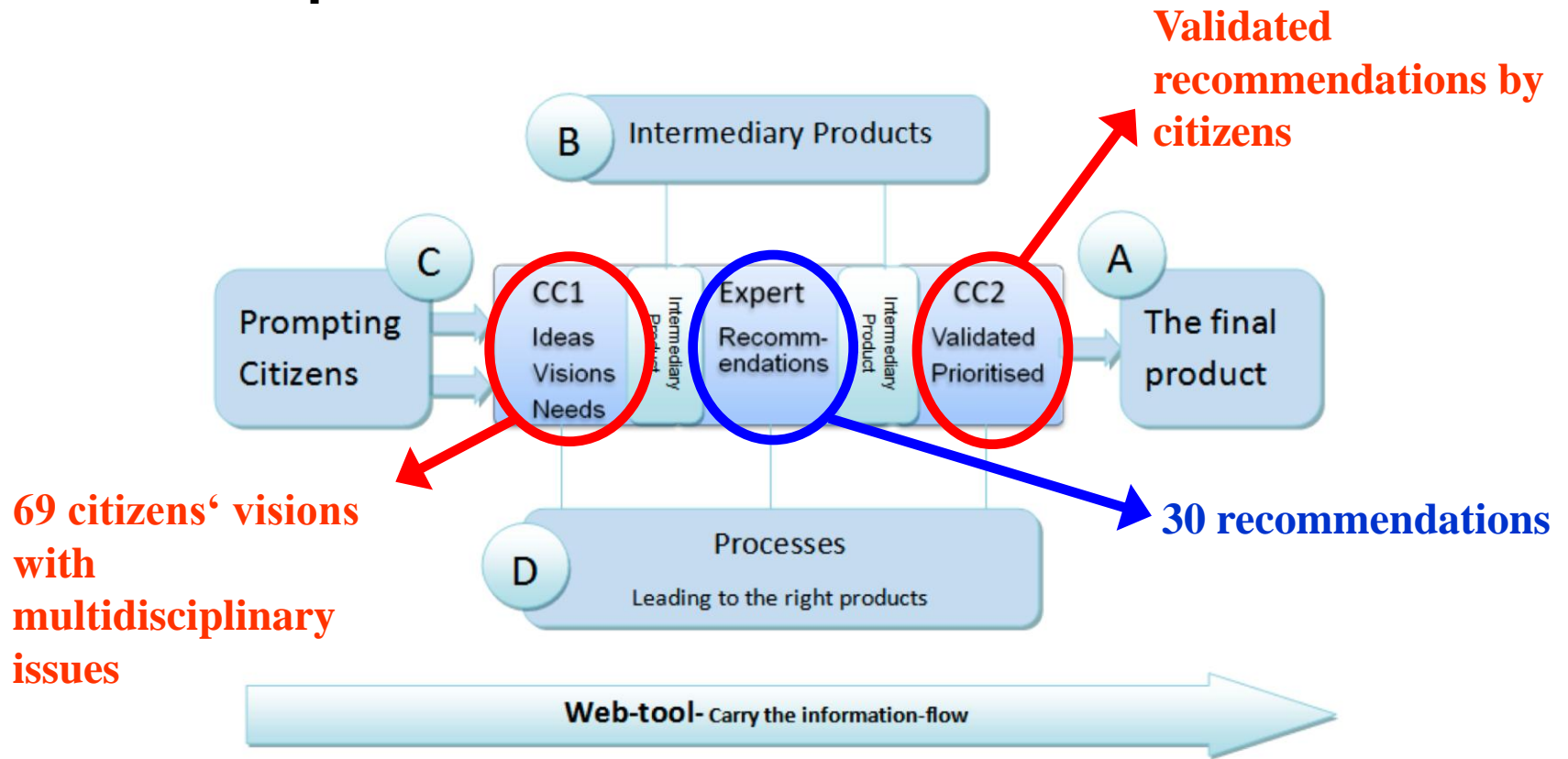# CIVISTI − Participatory demand-side foresight

Demand/Pull			Supply/Push
			Horizon scanning
		Trend analysis	
	Detecting weak signals		
CIVISTI			

CIVISTI (Citizen Visions on Science, Technology and Innovation) is part of the development towards better forward-looking strategic thinking to

- identify new and emerging relevant long-term issues
- produce a set of policy options/recommendations
- develop a novel method for citizen consultation in foresight

CIVISTI steps and results

Validated recommendations by citizens

69 citizens' visions with multidisciplinary issues

30 recommendations

(Jacobi et al. 2011), www,civisti.org

Interdisciplinary CIVISTI Consortium (2008-2011)Development of Horizon 2020

- The Danish Board of Technology – Denmark

- National Consumer Research Centre – Finland

- Institute Society and Technology – Flanders

- Malta Council for Science and Technology – Malta

- Applied Research and Communication Fund – Bulgaria

- Medián opinion and Market Research Institute – Hungary

- Austrian Academy of Sciences;
  Institute of Technology Assessment – Austria

Citizens' visions
implicit knowledge

Experts' recommendations
explicit knowledge

Outcome

- 69 visions of citizens from 7 EU countries contain 37 issues that have been condensed to 30 recommendations for Horizon 2020

1. **Attractive public transportation (R18)**
2. **Decentralised energy (R5)**
3. Re-appropriate countryside (R24)
4. **Tools for disabled people (R2)**
4. **European eco-cities (R9)**
6. Social innovation for ageing society (R17)

1. **Attractive public transportation (R18)**
1. Innovations in participation (R16)
3. **European eco-cities (R9)**
3. Recycling complex materials (R11)
5. Ethics of 'bionic' production (R8)
6. **Tools for disabled people (R2)**
6. **Decentralised energy (R5)**

Success factors

- Process management
- Communication strategy
- Team work: scientists and TA-practitioners

Challenges

- Citizens should follow the process for at least 1 year
- Policy makers should be integrated
- translation

Advancing CIVISTI

- Publications and reflection (www.oeaw.ac.at/ita)
- CIVISTI method as a standard approach for knowledge generation
- Experimenting with a fast track CIVISTI **(Rio+20-Initiative, June 2012)**
- Exploring the experience of CIVISTI in thematically areas at national/regional level, etc. **(CIVISTI-Ambient Assisted Living in Vienna, 2013/2014)**
- Application of web tools for integration of a broad spectrum of citizens