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- Industry/enterprise: increase of competition in the market -> Demand
- Academic/university: increase of competition for research fund -> Supply
- Government: Increase of national competitiveness -> Resource



- Tri-parties relationship is uncommon.
- Government has policies in S&T development but commitment is not strong.
- Academics are heavily responsible for industry development.
- Industry focuses on production rather than R&D with exception of large corporates.







- Strong relationship between federal government and public universities through annual research budget.
- Some relationship between local governments and universities based on community development. S&T development is rare.



- Universities focus heavily on basic research and are self focused while industries require rapid product and process development.
- Many universities are now shifting direction to help develop industries. Most activities involve consultation.



### **Overcome valley of death**











## PSU – Southern Industry Strategic Plan

## Knowledge-based Economy

## Manufacturing Service Industry

**Agro-Industry** 

## Agriculture





### **Government - University - Industry Relationship**

- Science Park
- Talent Mobility
- G-U-I Research grants (TRF, OHEC, NRCT, ARDA, NSTDA)
- 200% Tax Reduction Research Scheme





## **SMEs in Thailand**

- SMEs contribute to 98% of private sector
- 78% of total employment
- 36.6% of GDP
  - Service industry
  - Manufacturing
    - Agro-Processing
    - Textiles
    - Automobiles
  - Trading

Source: Office of SME Promotion







## **R&D for Industry**

### Rubber-wood -- Export value > US\$7,000M/year















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### **Current Saw**

- Low efficiency
- Not suitable for small/medium size wood
- Require skill workers

### **New Saw**

- High efficiency
- Good for rubber-wood
- No requirement for skill workers





## **Development of Science Parks in Thailand**

 Thailand Science Park started operation in 2002 by National Science and Technology Development Agency (NSTDA)



## **BRUISH Regional Science Park** Model

- University Based/Supported by government
- Network of supply side (University and RIs)
- Cluster focus (Demand side)
  - North: Rice and biomedical sciences
  - Northeast: Poultry and starch
  - South: Latex and pharmaceutical products
- Science Park Promotion Agency (SPA) Ministry of Science and Technology







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- Regional universities were established to help development of local communities/societies.
- Development of local community requires knowledge transfer from universities.
- Local governments focus their resources in development of communities.













### **Initial stage**

## A triple helix involving community



Government: Yala Municipality

Academic: PSU Creative Lab Center

Community: Yala province villagers

Local government is determined to enhance quality of living of community people by adding value to their products using knowledge from academic institutions.





















## Product Development By: Design & Branding





















## Value Addition











### Next stage

## A quadruple helix involving industry



Industry: ???

Government: Yala Municipality

Academic: PSU Creative Lab Center

Community: Yala province villagers

Expansion of the market to include export, an industrial production scale is required. A few models will be tested. This includes entrepreneurship incubation and collaboration.







## 2 Models

## 1. Incubation

- Full-scale entrepreneurship by community enterprise.
- Incubation by the Science Park.
- Venture capitals or business angles are needed.

## 2. Collaboration

- Community enterprise produce the raw material supplied to an industry.
- Industry is responsible for the mass production.
- Cost-benefit scheme has to be agreed based on mutual benefit.







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