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Session 3: Method: the role of enablers of Digital and Green Transition / TECH

- The role of clusters in the design of FIRS TECH, **Björn Ekelund**, Head of FIRS Tech & COB Mobile Heights
- From policy to practice: DigIThub AI, Presenting which stated needs the project met and a user case, **Pernilla Lavesson**, Project Manager

Moderation: **Ida Åstrand**, Region Skåne



The role of clusters in the design of FIRS Tech



Clusters and FIRS Tech

Björn Ekelund

Chairman,
FIRS Tech, Mobile Heights



September 13, 2019



Why is tech so important?

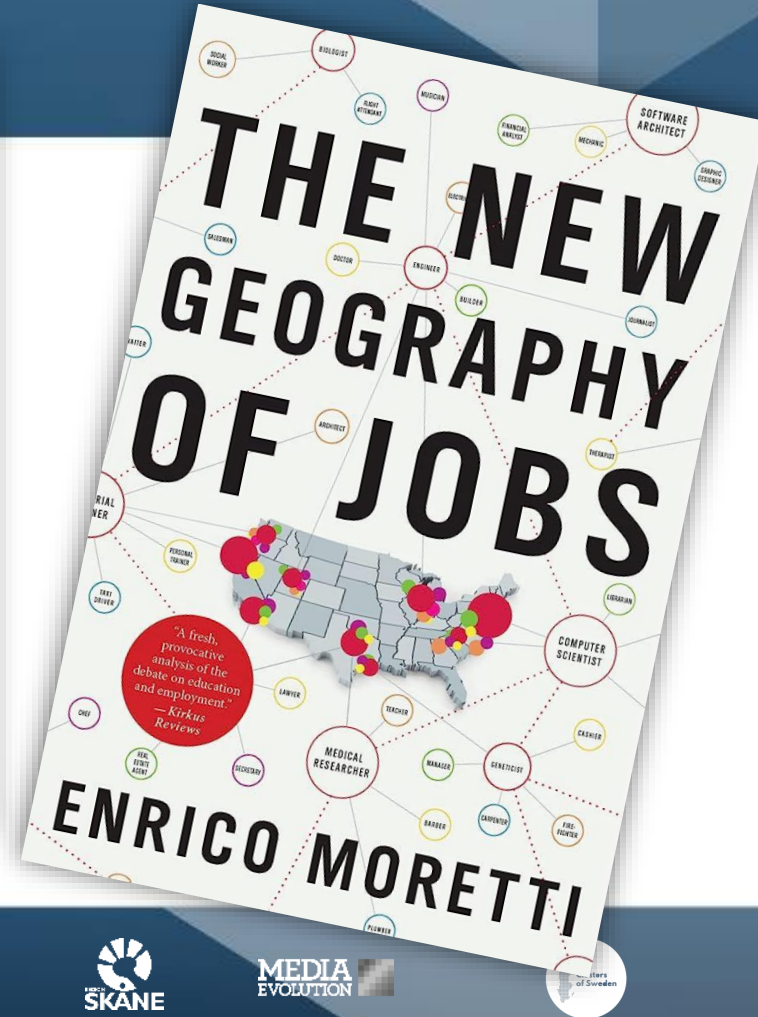
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Management Review

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The Multiplier Effect of Innovation Jobs

Because of a multiplier effect, each new high-tech job in the U.S. creates five additional jobs in the service economy, says economist Enrico Moretti.



The Skåne tech sector



The FIRS Tech group

Broad representation

- The tech cluster
- Enterprises of all sizes
- Academia
- Research institute
- Incubators
- Science park



The FIRS Tech group

Key challenges

- Competence supply & development
- Skåne's image as a tech region
- Testbeds and innovation arenas

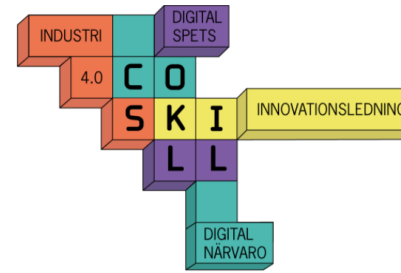


Selected initiatives



**Silicon
Eurocluster**
C O S K I L L

invest
in skåne



**Game
Habitat**



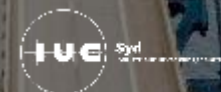
The impact

- The power of clusters
- Projects and initiatives
- Mobilization and learning
- The power of agreement





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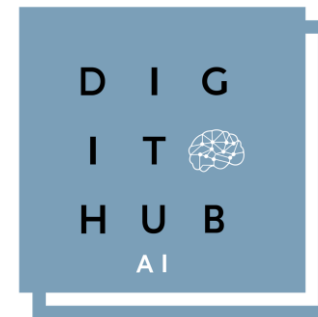
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EUROPEAN UNION
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Digit Hub AI

We help the private sector in southern Sweden achieve their digitalization and AI goals.

The Project

Application within
EU REACT

Start December 2021

22 months project
period

Budget 10 M SEK
(867 167 Euro)

Goal

- Increased competitiveness through a sustainable digital transformation
- Digitalization, AI, green transition, and gender equality
- AI maturity assessment
- Applied AI projects

Engagement of the innovation system in Skåne & Blekinge broadly to reach as many SMEs as possible

Innovation actors



Academia



Finance



Focus

1000 SME

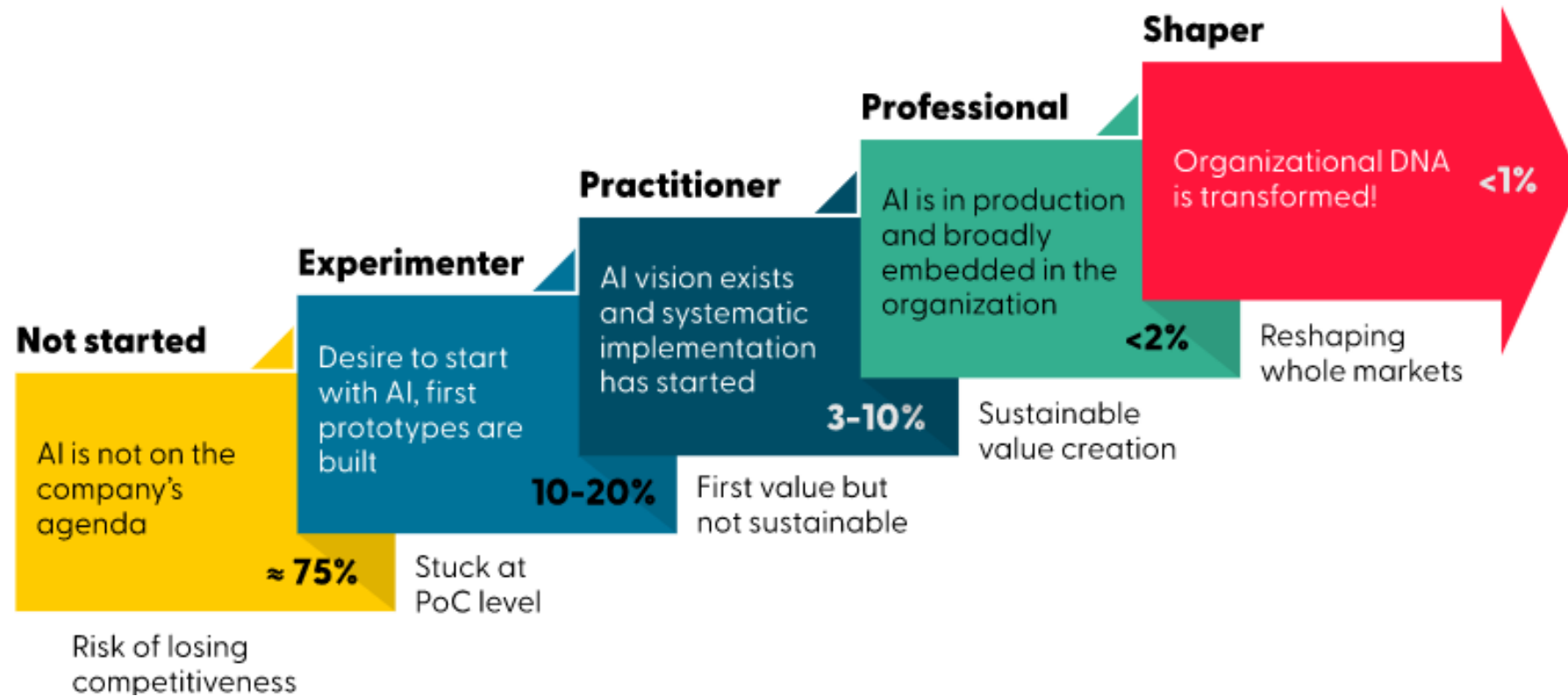
- Information
- Training

100 SME

- AI Maturity Assessment

10 SME

- Applied AI projects
- Consulting assistance



Missions

Ablemind

Specification of patient treatment
(mental healthcare)

Avsalt

Analysis and optimization of
performance for detector cells in a
desalination plant.

Frontpac

Smooth out electricity consumption
based on collected CO2 data.

Ocean Harvesting

Optimization of algorithm for wave
power. Digital twin.

Lindinvent

Presence detection for optimization
of lighting in buildings.

Ytab

Optimization of consumables during
color change.

Levtek

Develop an object-tracking system for
micro-mobility vehicles

Meliox

Optimization of energy consumption
in buildings.

StickerApp

Reduce unnecessary steps for graphic
support by utilizing smart image algorithms.

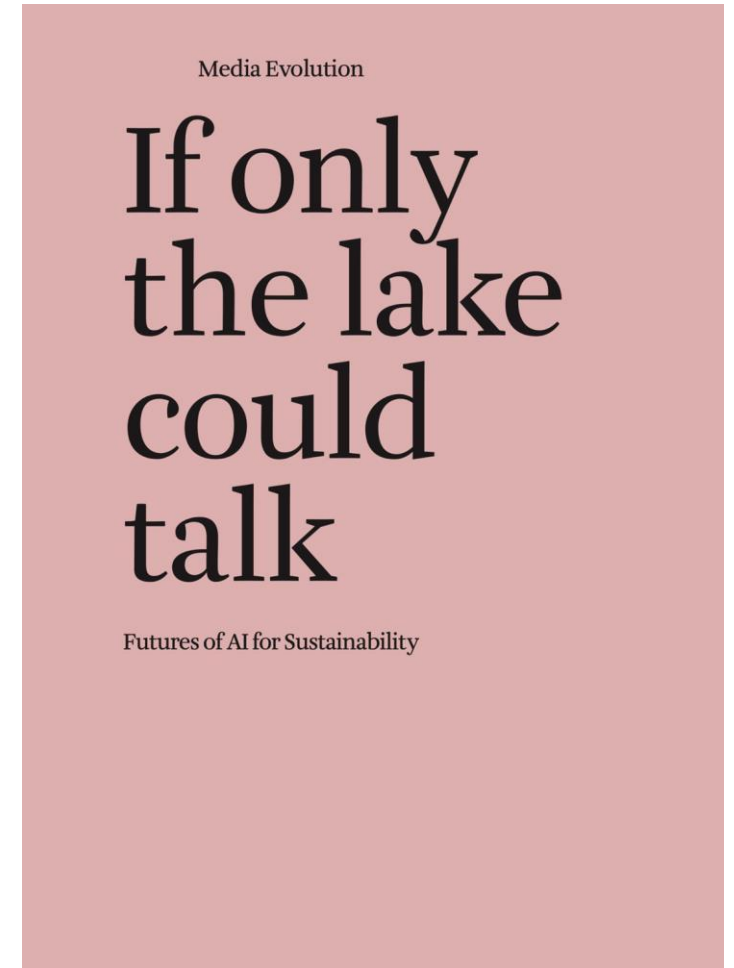
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Analyze sustainability documents from
organizations, identify relevant information,
and propose suitable responses to
verification questions.

Collaborative Foresight

“An explorative place for making sense of the future and finding ways to impact change for the better“

‘How will leading sustainable organisations of the future leverage AI and machine learning?’





Thank you

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