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Research, development and innovation activities at LAB Minna Suutari Vice President for RDI June 20th 2023



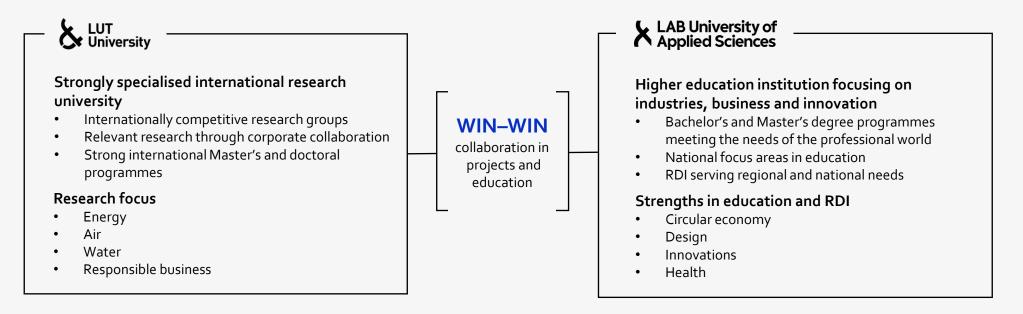
The Best of Both Worlds

- LAB is a university of applied sciences focusing on the working world and innovation.
- We offer students the best of studies and the professional world in one package.
- We boldly experiment with new approaches in collaboration with our corporate partners.
- We play a role in the growth, internationalisation, renewal and sustainable development of businesses.



2 missions, 3 campuses, 2 organisations

LUT UNIVERSITIES



Education: digital collaboration, shared Language Centre, continuing professional education, guidance on study paths

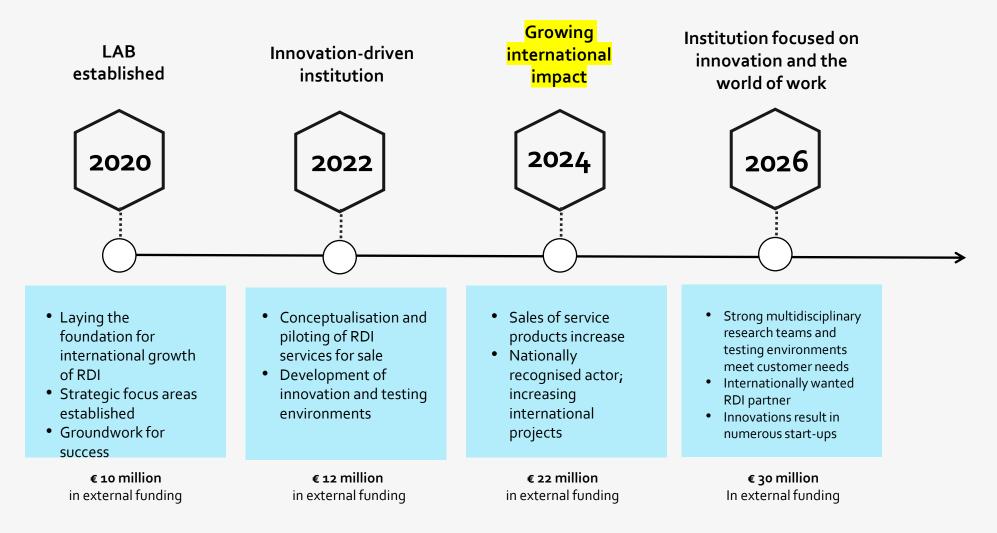
Internationalisation: international programmes subject to a tuition fee jointly marketed in India, China and Vietnam

Together we are more on the Green Campuses

Impact: Green Campus Open, Business Mill student entrepreneurship, corporate collaboration **Shared** University Services

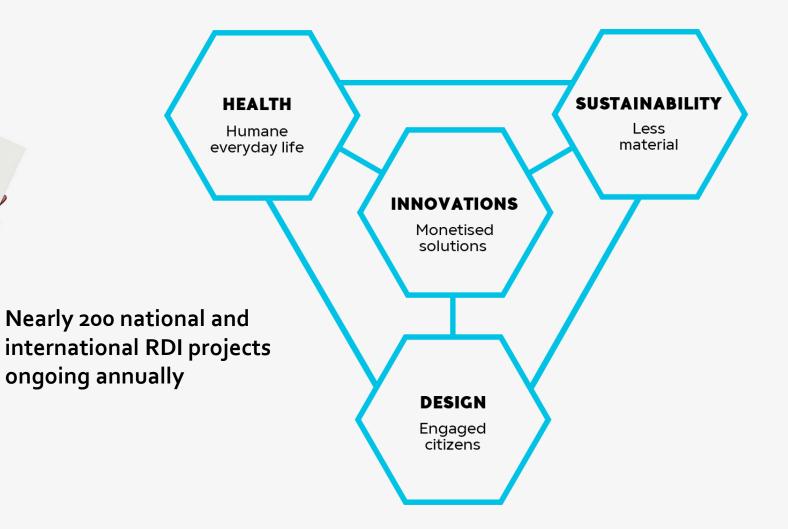
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LAB roadmap towards strategic goal





RDI FOCUS AREAS



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RDI co-operation between Companies, Cities, LUT & LAB :

-NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES - COMMON GOALS -ENABLING NEW OPENINGS



NEW BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES



BUSINESS FINLAND



New type of scalable sludge repurposing plant to produce resources for the valorisation of tailings, treatment of wastewater and redesign of products and processes at the E SOURCE.

- > 5R refinery is based on 5 recycling principles REPURPOSE, REMOVE, RECOVER, REDESIGN and RECYCLE.
- Municipal and Forest industry originated sludge is REPURPOSED into resources: biofertilizer, 3D adsorbents, polymer powder and biodegradable hydroxy chelating agents.
- The consortium jointly executes the project plan where the sharing of knowledge capabilities, technology and resources is based on a fully integrated ecosystem.

PARTNERS:

BUDGET: PROJECT PERIOD:

LAB University of Applied Sciences, LUT University (coordinator), Natural Resources Institute Finland, Stora Enso, Metsä Fiber, Versowood, Biolan Ltd, Weeefiner Ltd, Nanopar Ltd, The City of Heinola, The City of Lappeenranta



Development of Material Cycles Business Clusters

- Several development projects in 2018-2024

- 1. Pilot laboratory for processing and testing recycled materials (2021)
 - Biobased materials
 - Textiles
 - Plastics
 - Construction and demolition waste
- 2. Full-scale cluster development biofibres and biomass, with flagship companies, Lahti & Ladec, LAB, LUT

REGIONAL GOAL





Food Pilot Plant

followed by education and research

NEW OPENINGS







