

# Aalto University

—  
shaping the future

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# Origins

**Aalto was established as a private, foundation-based University with the national mission of strengthening Finland's innovative capability through research, arts and education.**



# Aalto University innovation ecosystem

## *Focus Areas:*

*Multi-disciplinary research fostering innovation and entrepreneurship*

*Entrepreneurship as a cross-cutting theme*

*Otaniemi Campus as an Innovation Hub*

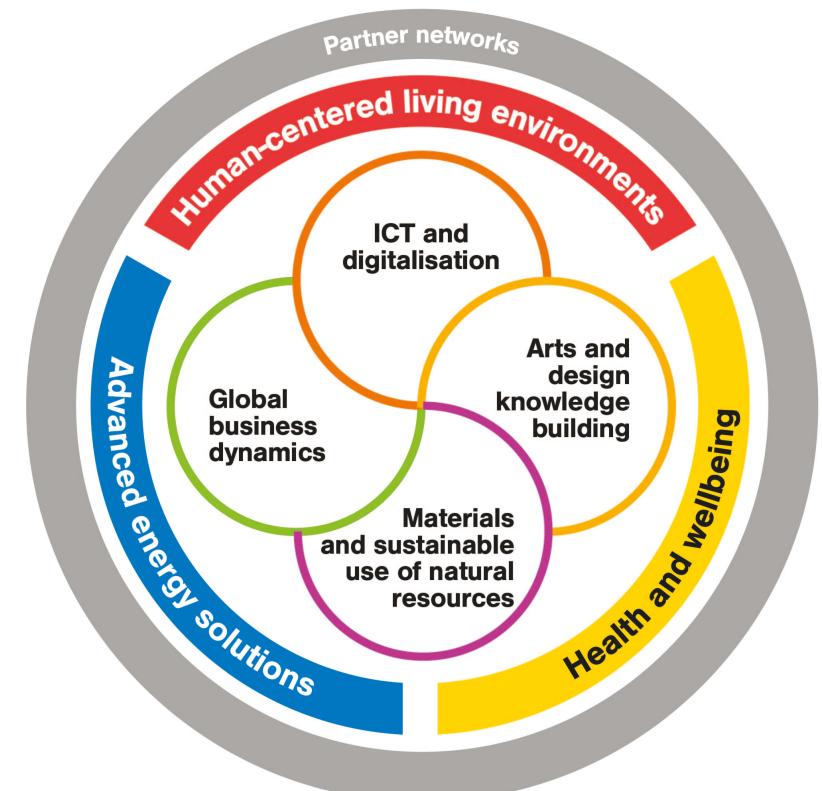


# Multi-disciplinary research and entrepreneurship

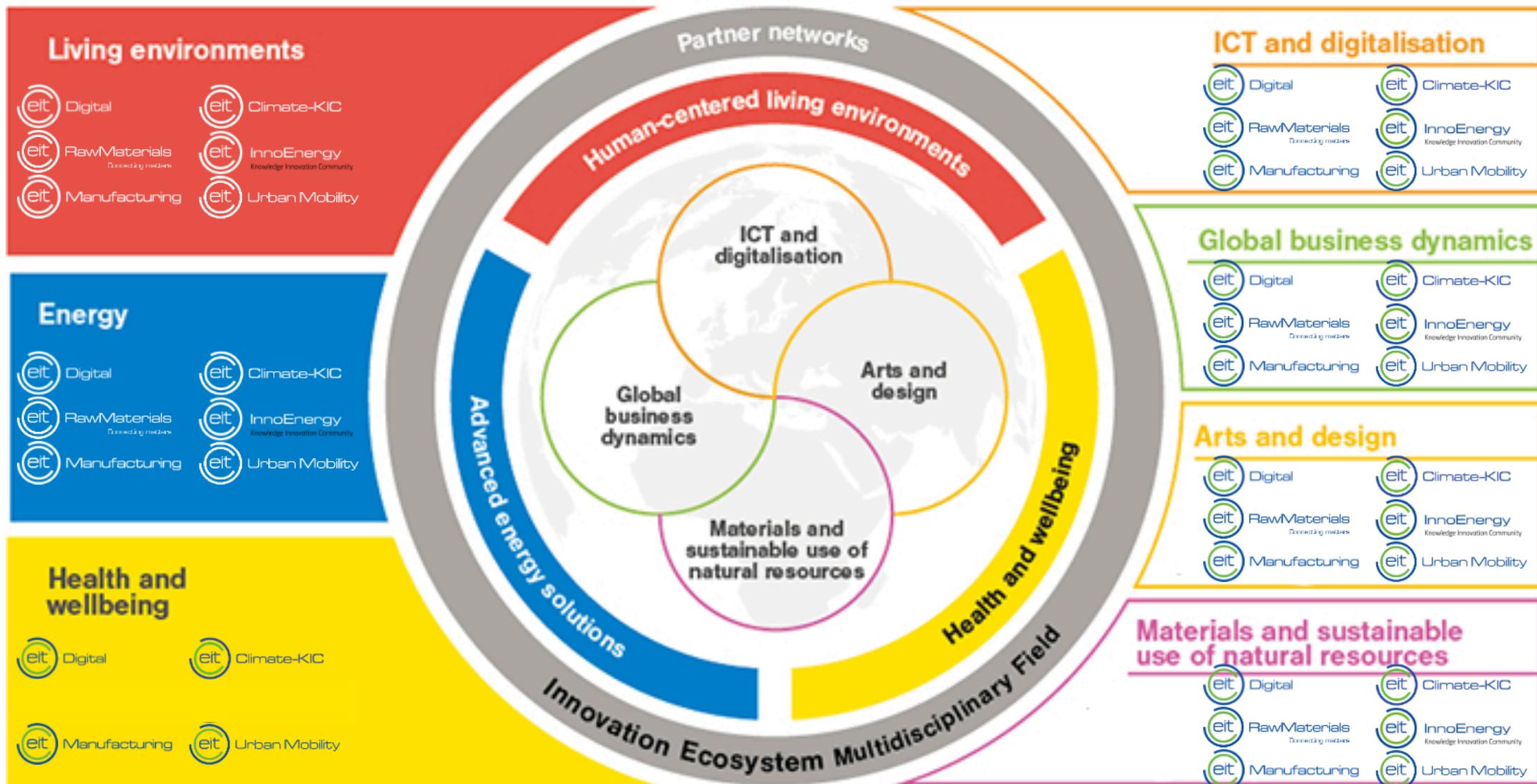
We are committed to identifying and solving grand societal challenges and building an innovative future through our seven key research areas.



## fostering innovation



# EIT KICs on the Aalto Key Research Areas



# Otaniemi Campus as an Innovation Hub

... comprise Aalto researchers, students and staff, other research institutions (e.g., VTT), corporate partners, as well as private, public and third sector actors...





A Grid is a gateway to Aalto's international network of resources, talented students and cutting-edge research and technology

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# A creative community for startups

25 000 m<sup>2</sup> cooperation hub for creating new ways of working with 120+ startups, small-size companies, creative businesses, networks, maker's spaces

- ESA business accelerator
- UN Technology and Innovation lab
- Espoo City Services

# Creating with corporate partners

## Research and Insight

**Jointly funded research**  
**Corporate-funded research**  
**Joint positions: professors, post-docs, PhD students**

## Talent and Skills

**Course collaboration & study projects**  
**Master & Bachelor theses**  
**Employer services & fairs**  
**Visibility on campus**  
**Executive and professional development (Aalto EE)**

## Campus and Ecosystems

**Campus membership and shared spaces**  
**Use of infrastructure and services**  
**Aalto networks and platforms**  
**Innovation and start-up ecosystem**

## Partnership

# Highlights - *Innovation Ecosystem*

*Cumulative 2013 - 2017*

Number of  
commissioned  
projects with  
companies

**1041**

**70 to 100**  
companies  
are founded every year  
in our ecosystem

**729**  
number of invention  
disclosures

MIT has rated Aalto's  
innovation ecosystem  
among the  
**top-5**  
rising stars in the world

**157**  
number of technology  
transfers

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*Towards a better world.*



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