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TWG Clusters and Business Networks

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Introduction

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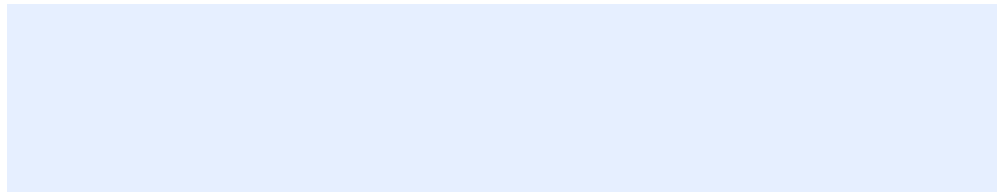
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The Thematic Working Group of Clusters and Business Networks was created during the first phase of the ERIK network

Group members looked at the variations and disparities of Clusters across Europe

The members identified opportunities for the exchange of practices across Europe and links

Links to Regional Innovation Programmes were looked at in particular to transfer experiences between regions



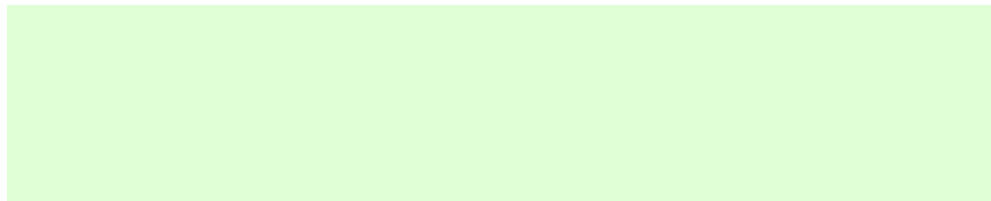
The key steps in developing a cluster and networking strategy

- Clusters are based on systematic relationships
- Clusters are geographically bound

- Clusters have life cycles:
Embryonic – Growth Stage – Maturity – Decay

- Clusters are NOT defined by organisational membership

- Clusters produce externalities
- Clusters are defined by relationships



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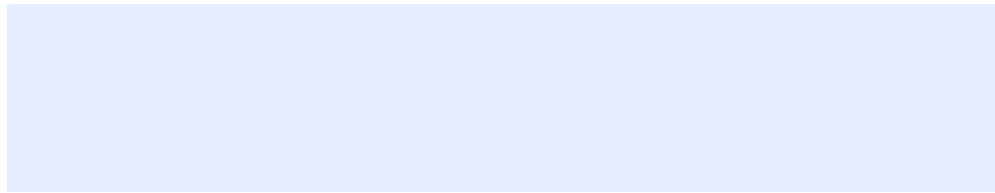
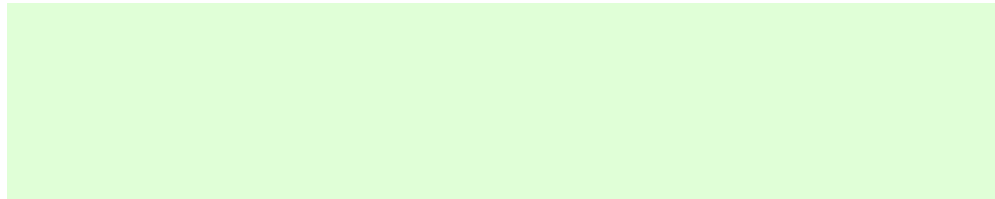
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- Development of 10 Cluster impact indicators

- Population of the ERIK+ database: Call for Best practices Examples

- Selection of 2 Case studies: South Holland – Knowledge Alliance
Veneto – E-Cluster
- Study visit in Veneto 18th-19th January 2007

- Elaboration of the TWG case studies report: South Holland and Veneto
- Policy Recommendations paper



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