



Factsheet: Impact in Wageningen

Value chain

At Wageningen University & Research we believe that a broad dissemination of research results contributes to creating added value through novel application. We do not just develop top-quality expertise; we also help translate our knowledge into practice worldwide.

Economic value creation

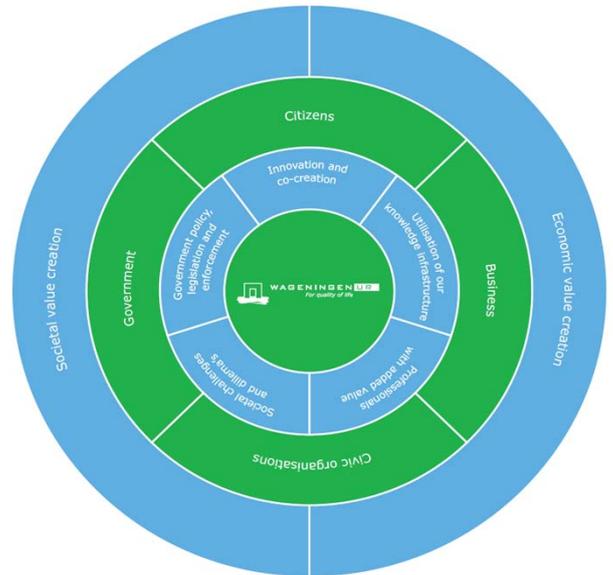
Our knowledge contributes significantly to innovation and progress. Our economic value creation takes place through the transfer of knowledge and technology through patents, licences, spin-offs and start-ups, but mostly through the collaborations like Public-Private partnerships and contract research. The Dutch government initiated the 'Topsectoren'-policy in which public and private work jointly on innovation. WUR is a very active partner in the 'topsectoren' collaborating in over 200 project, mainly in Agri&Food and Horticulture and Starting Materials, but also in Biobased Economy, Water, Chemistry and High Tech stimulating crossovers between sectors.

Technology offers

WUR portfolio contains more than 100 patented inventions covering a wide range of technologies, including plant breeding and agro technologies, food processing and conservation technologies, biobased technologies for production of specialty chemicals and farm and veterinary technologies. We mostly offer our technologies to companies or other organisations or institutions willing to develop further novel and innovative applications for the benefit of society. We therefore maintain regular contact with a wide range of industrial partners, licensees and development partners.

Start-ups

WUR pays special attention to the valorisation of knowledge: the process of giving scientific knowledge meaning and value. Transfer of knowledge will, in many cases, be achieved in collaboration with industrial partners who also take care of the commercialisation of products. In other cases, new enterprises have been founded on the basis of WUR's knowledge or expertise. As part of our mission, WUR supports start-up companies succeed and transfer WUR's technologies from the lab to marketplace for public use and benefit. Startlife, an initiative of WUR with various private and public partners, fosters and supports entrepreneurship. This resulted in more than 150 supported start-ups, creating over 800 jobs and nearly 70 million of invested capital



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Societal value creation

WUR collaborates with numerous organizations worldwide. Our network expands across 100 countries, is made up of more than 3500 organizations and it includes a diverse selection of partners ranging from scientific governmental agencies, academic and business partners, but also NGO's, Civil Society Organisations (CSO's) and citizens.

More information

Some examples of innovations can be found at www.wur.eu/innovationpassport .

More background on Startlife @ www.startlife.nl

Results of Startlife

