

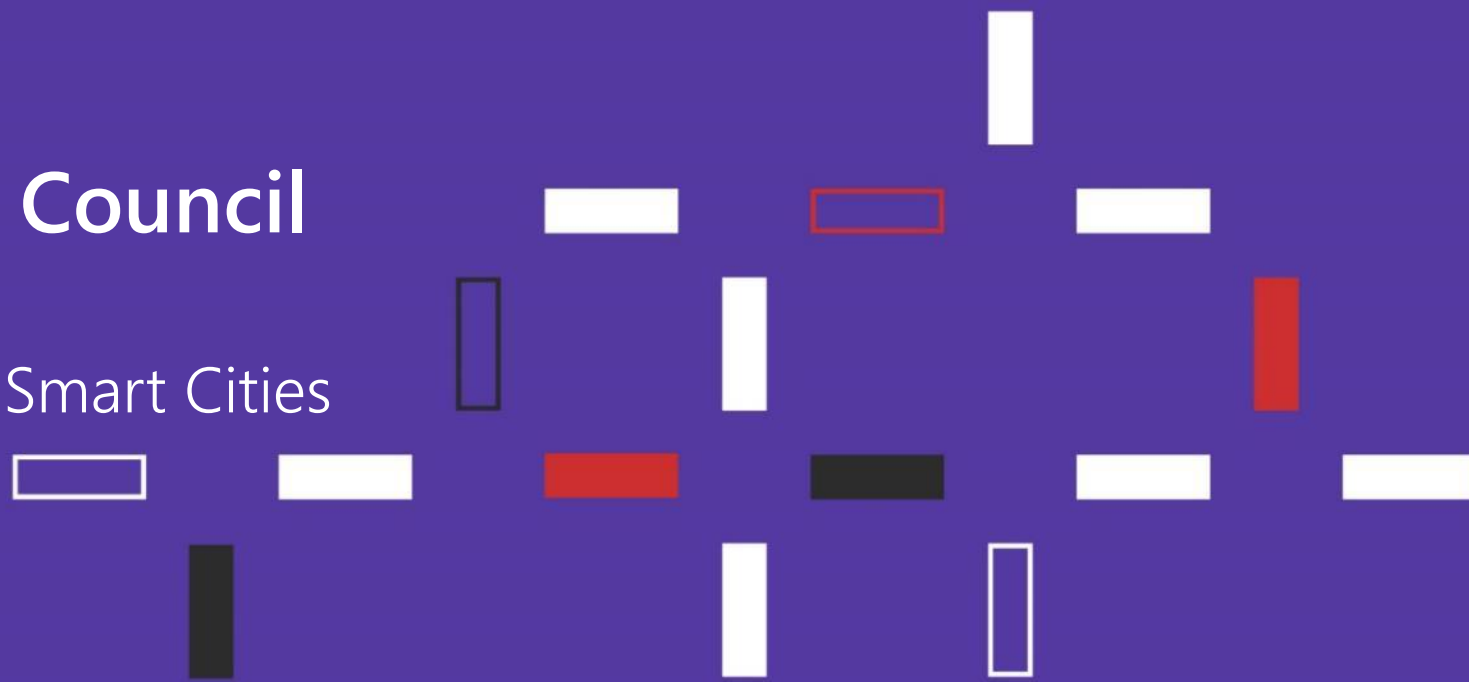


Backing visionary entrepreneurs

The European Innovation Council

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Who am I?



Mr. Mika RYTKONEN (Finland)

30+ years in Nokia and HERE Technologies.

Served in several start-ups and scale-ups.

MSc (SW Eng), MBA (financing), MSc (Cities)

Board professional.

Mouth as a marketer, heart as an engineer, soul as an entrepreneur and mind as a strategist.

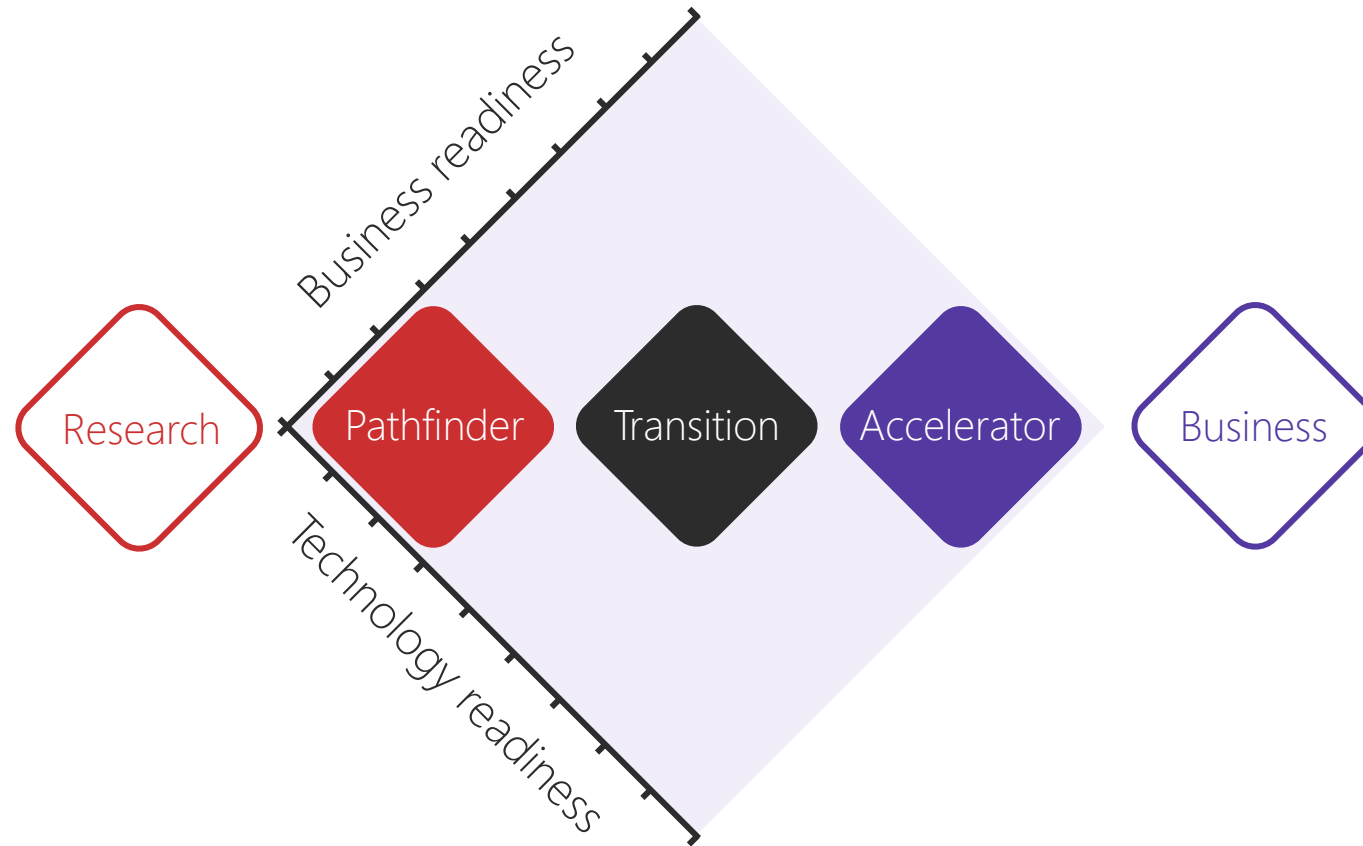
Passionate ice-hockey fan and father of four daughters.



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WHAT?



WHY?

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Commission holds a high-level policy dialogue on the future of the cement industry in Europe

Today, Commissioner for Climate Action, Wopke **Hoekstra** hosted a high-level policy dialogue on the future of Europe's cement industry.

NEWS ARTICLE

25 March 2026 — Directorate-General for Climate Action — 5 min read



Towards Cement and Concrete as a Carbon sink



<u>101223262 – CILANTRO</u>	Carbon-Negative Cement: A Tribological Solution for Limestone Decarbonisation, Silication and Carbon Utilization
<u>101223335 – CONCERTO</u>	CarbOn Negative CemEnt fRom ulTra-mafic rOcks
<u>101223135 – C-SINC</u>	Concrete products through sustainable and innovative carbon-storing binders
<u>101221259 – ECO-SLAG-CEM</u>	Environmentally Compatible Optimization of EAF Slag for Low-Carbon Advanced Green Cement
<u>101221957 – MOJITO</u>	Decarbonized liMe PrOduction through enhanced JoInt dielectric heaTing and waste carbonaceous material additiOn
<u>101220926 – X-SeeO2</u>	Real-time X-ray diffraction and microstructure imaging: accelerating the transformation of cementitious materials into CO2 sinks



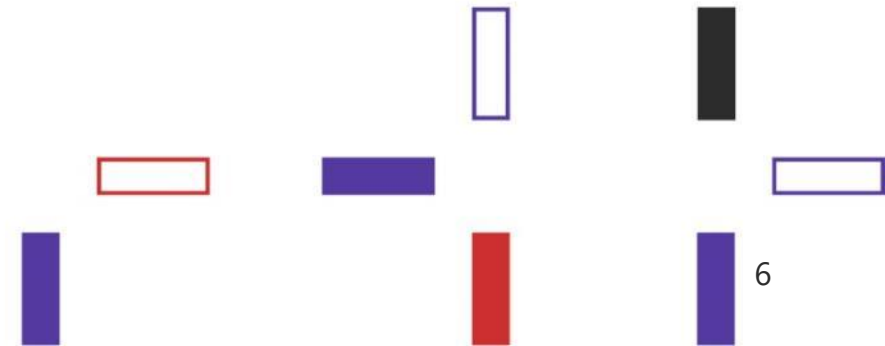
Companies compete and Collaborate.

Standardization sets common rules to improve safety, efficiency and economics

- Consistent quality
- Repeatable processes

Make the market bigger.

First mover advantage.





Thank You !

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