

Change in Networks, Higher Education and Knowledge Societies (CINHEKS)

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Rationale for the Study: Changes in Societies

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Modern Societies can be characterized as **Knowledge Societies** in two ways:

- 1) the primary sources of innovation increasingly derive from research and development
- 2) the percentage of GNP per population & the restructuring of employment is increasingly geared to the field of knowledge production



The Methodological Perspectives of CINHEKS:

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- 1) The **historical analysis** compares & analyses the key features which shape and explain contextual differences underlying present patterns of knowledge production in Europe, the USA and Japan
 - 2) The **policy discourse** analyses the policy contexts of HEIs in Europe, the USA and Japan, in order to explain how nation states and regions have promoted the development of knowledge transfer and utilisation.
 - 3) The **empirical studies (institutional profiles -> case studies & surveys)** explain the way in which HEIs in Europe, the USA and Japan have each shaped and been shaped within distinct 'knowledge societies'
- > The methodological linkage of the three CINHEKS objectives aims to explain **the extent to which empirical evidence corresponds – or not – to current policy discussion and political debates.**



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Thank You!
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