IDEAS THAT WORK FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Towards a transformed defence industry that contributes to the growth of the South African economy

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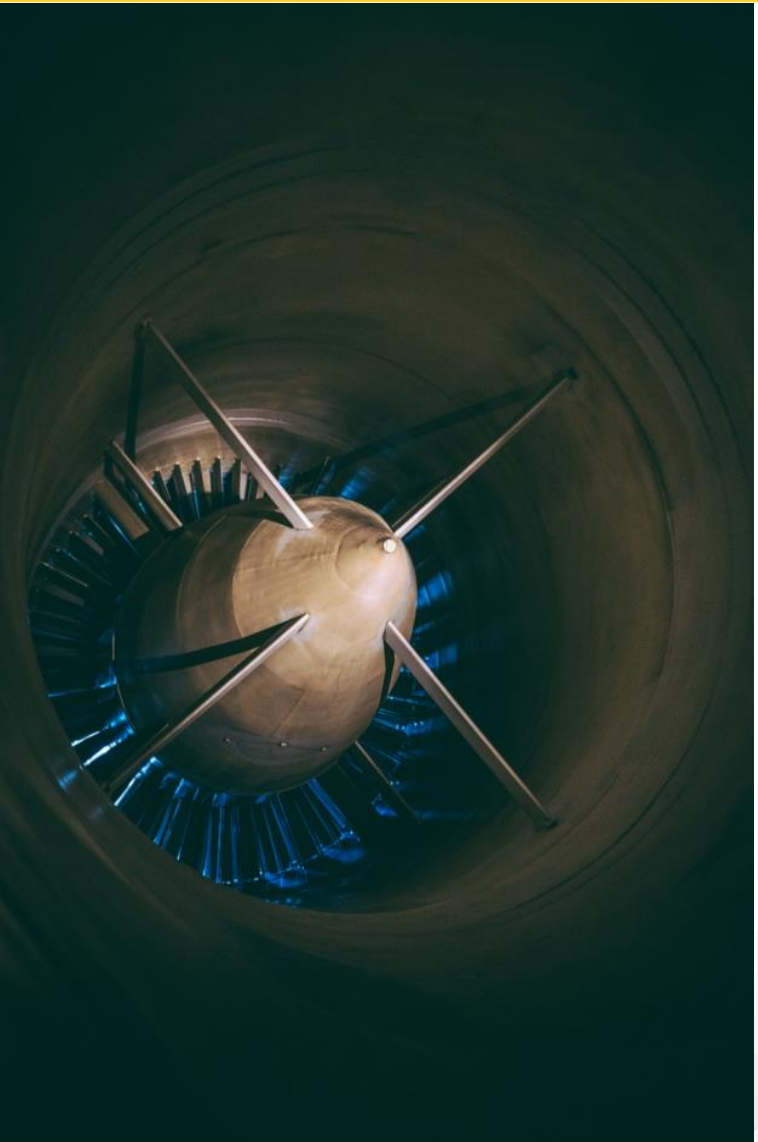
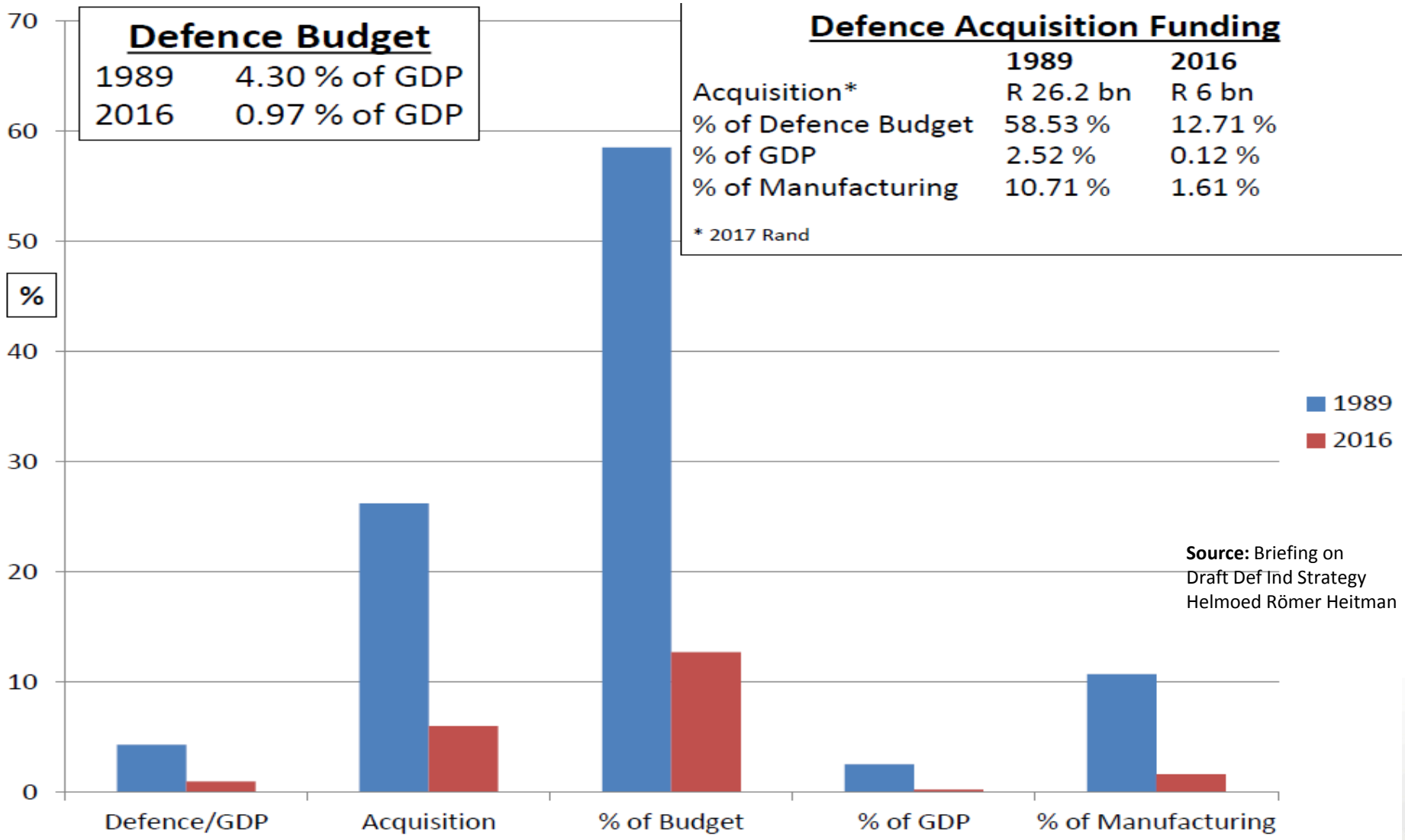


- Defence budget and the status of the defence industry
- A 2027 vision for the RSA defence industry
- A proposed strategy for realising the vision
- Exciting opportunites and initiatives
- The way forward

Defence budget



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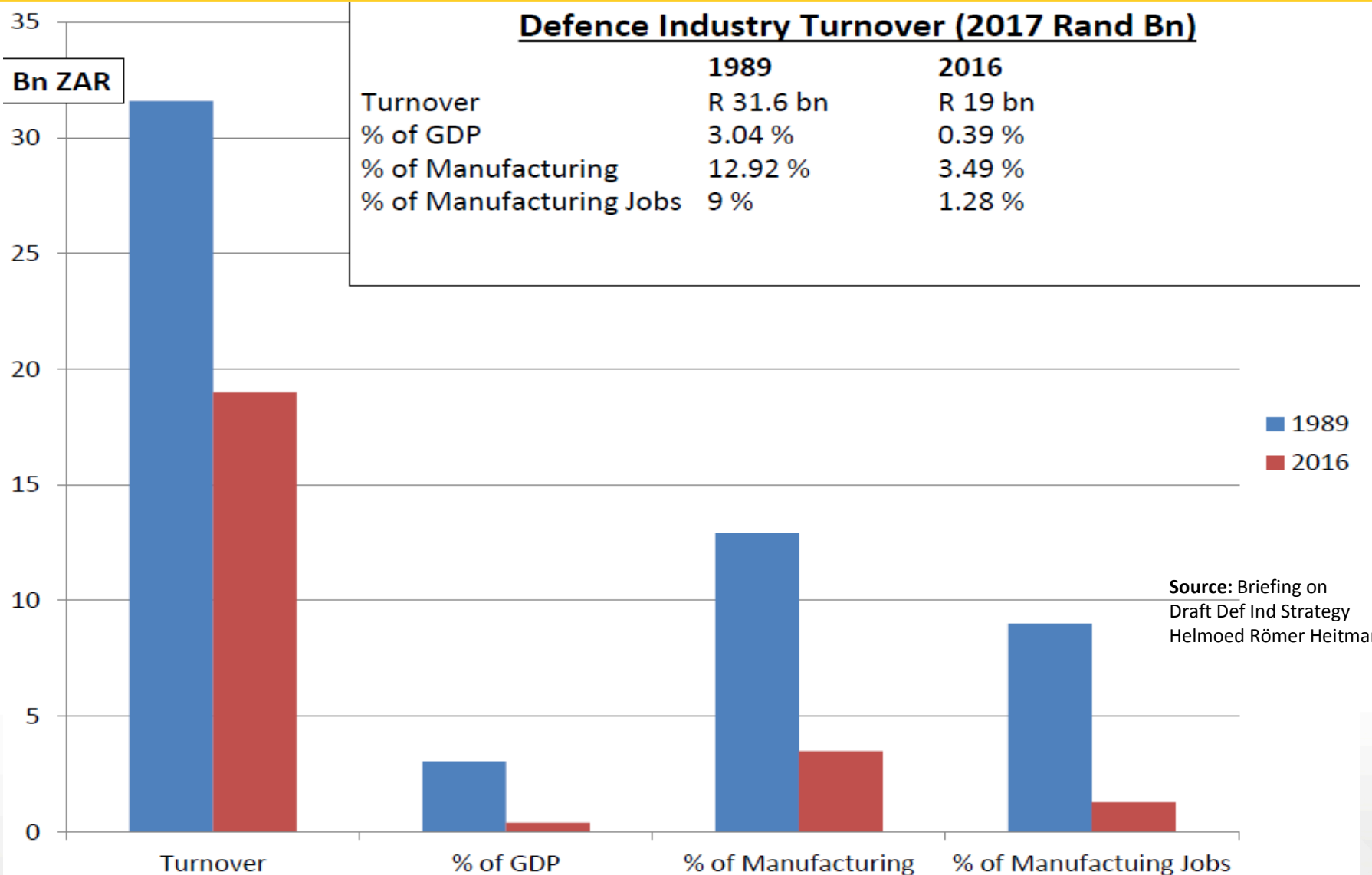
The status of the defence industry

Defence Industry Turnover (2017 Rand Bn)

	1989	2016
Turnover	R 31.6 bn	R 19 bn
% of GDP	3.04 %	0.39 %
% of Manufacturing	12.92 %	3.49 %
% of Manufacturing Jobs	9 %	1.28 %



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The RSA defence industry in 2027

- Makes a **significant contribution to the RSA economy**:
  - Adds more than **R200bn** to the GDP (90% export sales)
  - Generates more than **10% of the manufacturing jobs**
  - Contribution to the **reduction in crime** freed up **12% of the GDP:** that is now **invested in economic development**
- **Gave birth to the para-military industry** supporting the **Border Management Authority (BMA)**
- Has become the single biggest contributor to the **reduction in wildlife crime** and the **protection of the booming tourism industry**

The RSA defence industry in 2027

- Establishes **integrated security capabilities** (level 7) to the **Security Cluster** and other government departments and agencies
- Fulfilled the **DoD's strategic aims**:
  - Provides a **sovereign defence technology capability**
  - Provides a real degree of **strategic independence**
  - Provides SANDF with **optimised and locally supported equipment**
  - Provides government with a **valuable diplomatic tool** in the ability to provide friendly states **with equipment, technical support** and the means to stimulate **local industrial development**
- Established an industry and sector that is **representative of South Africa's demographics**

Realising the 2027 defence industry vision

- **Establish** a transformed and internationally competitive **National Defence System of Innovation**
  - **Enhance** all the elements of an **advanced national defence manufacturing system**
  - **Optimise** the role of **research & technology organisations (RTOs)**
  - **Scale up** to capture value from **defence innovations**
- **Utilise industry growth pathways** as a mechanism to reach **the new reality**

Enhancing the advanced national defence manufacturing system

Different sources of competitiveness

Manufacturing perspective	New(-ish) opportunities for competitive edge
Product Innovation	Speed of new technology development
Process Innovation	Product mix flexibility and factory productivity
Supply chain capability	Reconfigurable supply capabilities
Product/service delivery	Superior understanding & response to customer needs

Functions of national innovation systems

Overall function of an innovation system:

- To develop, diffuse and use innovations

Innovation system activities

- **Research** (basic, applied, development, engineering)
- **Implementation** (manufacturing)
- **End-use** (customers of the product or process output)
- **Linkage** (bringing together complementary knowledge)
- **Education**

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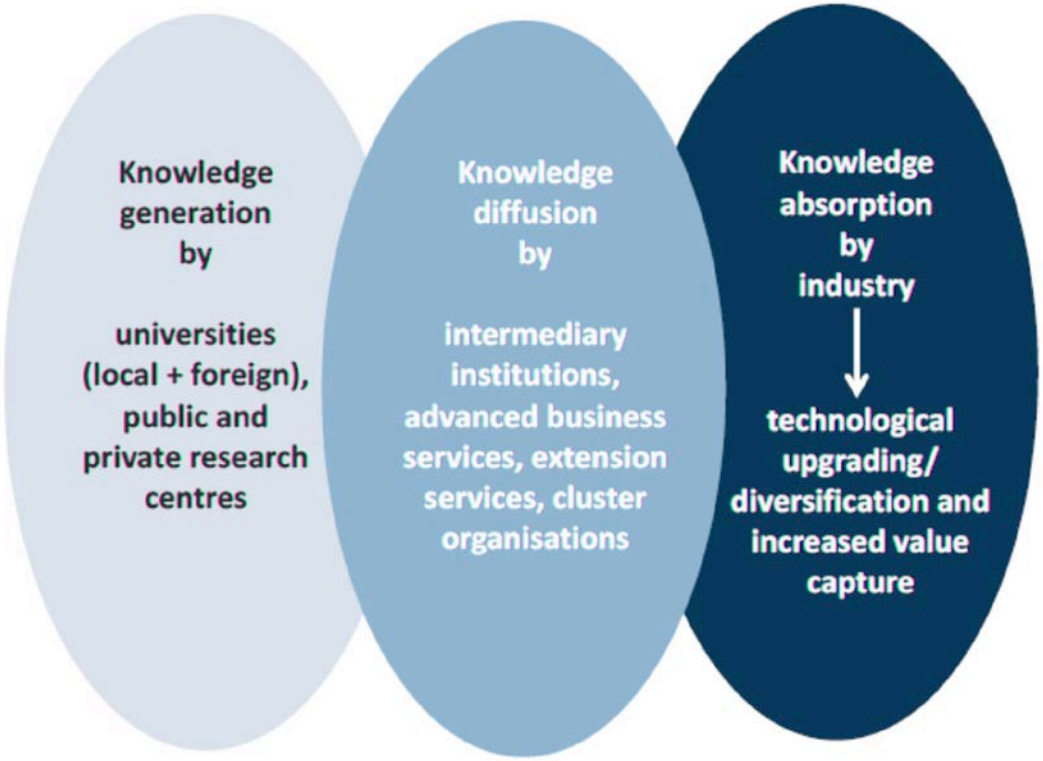

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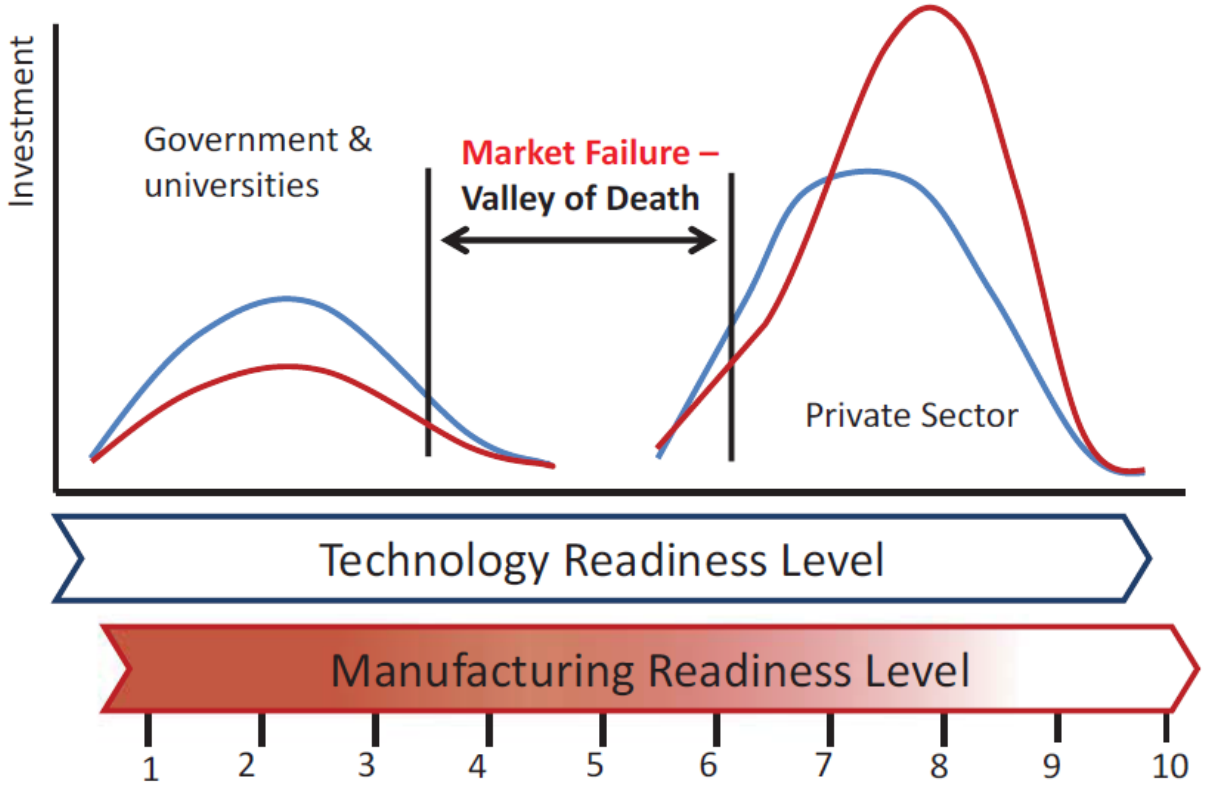
Manufacturing readiness levels and the valley of death



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National Systems of Innovation

Why this matters...

A key determinant of competitiveness of a knowledge economy is quality of connections between the different system elements

- There is national competitive advantage from proactively fostering an infrastructure of linkages between actors
- Different innovation actors making different contributions to technologies/production systems/infrastructure; engaging with different elements of manufacturing value chain systems

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Why public investment in RTOs is justified

MARKET FAILURES ADDRESSED BY RTOs

Rooted in the **economics of research** and the idea that **'market failures'** makes it difficult for companies to invest in general forms of knowledge[1]

Therefore:

- Public funding for RTOs represents a **social investment**[1] and its rationale stems from the barriers to strategic and co-ordinated capability development, which may apply to infrastructure, equipment and skills which would not otherwise be in place[2]
- RTOs exist to **help firms innovate**, and to solve innovation problems that are beyond the capabilities of individual firms[2]
- Spillover effect: RTO technological **capabilities are passed on** to its customers whose performance improves, who become more competitive, employ more people, pay more taxes, increase the quality of life, and so on[1]

Sources:
(1) Arnold, E., Clark, J. & Jávorka, Z. "Impacts of European RTOs: A study of Social and Economic Impacts of Research and Technology Organisations
(2) Hauser, H. "The Current and Future Role of Technology and Innovation Centres in the UK"

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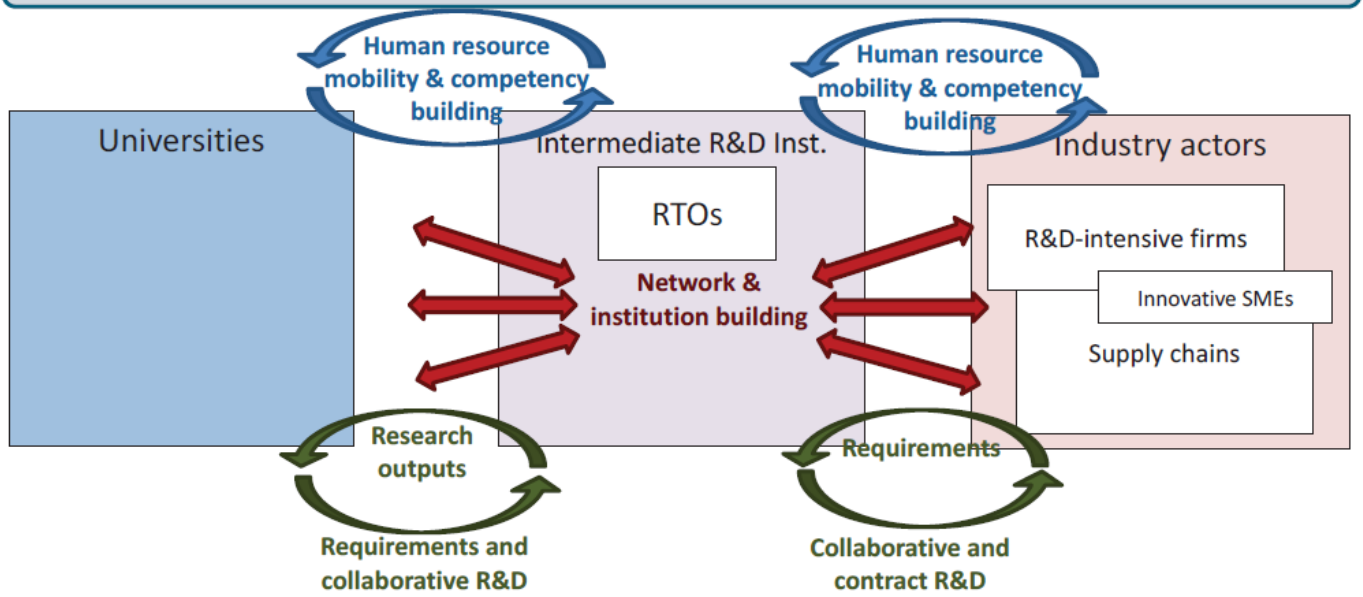
The role of RTOs in national innovation systems

RTOs can:

- (a) Assume a **coordination role to de-risk innovation projects**, acting as a **bridge between businesses and the research and academic communities** to enable projects that no single actor would be able to perform by itself **(Technology R&D function)**.



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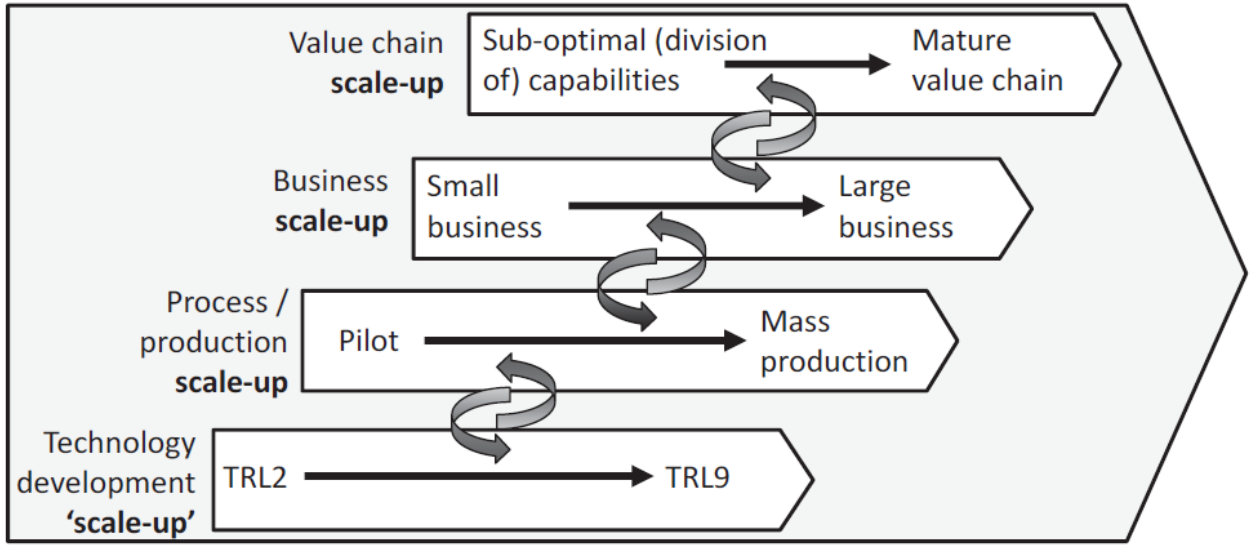
SCALING UP to capture value from defence innovations

Co-evolving innovation journeys: technology, process, firm, value chains…



The multi-dimensional nature of 'scale-up'

Source: Emerging trends in global advanced manufacturing:
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Industry growth pathways

- **Pathways involving local and foreign OEMs**
  - **Local manufacturers doing joint R&D and manufacturing with a foreign OEM** on a risk share/work share agreement
  - **Attracting major foreign OEMs to establish new assembly plants locally**, as well as establishing the required upstream suppliers (multi-tier industries) locally, for local and export markets
  - **Local exporting OEMs expanding their export product lines**;
  - **Local manufactures entering export markets** by supplying a foreign OEM.

Industry growth pathways

- **Import substitution**

Import substitution has potential for growth of the local industry, especially when it is used as an interim step towards exports.

- **In-licensing** (new manufacturer/SMME or established manufacturer)
  - Initially for the local market but with an intention of entering export markets
- Import substitution of **imported components** that are **integrated into existing export products;**
- Import substitution **based on locally developed technology alternatives;**
- **Putting local procurement requirements on foreign OEMs** supplying to Government Department, with the intent to have the OEMs integrate SA products into their systems;
- Development of local manufacturing capability on the back of major **capital acquisition programs** (e.g the NIP and DIP approaches used recently as part of the Strategic Defence Packages);

Industry growth pathways

- **Local manufacturers entering export markets**
  - Existing product lines
  - New product lines
  - New high-technology manufacturers with locally developed IP and products

Industry growth pathways

- **SMMEs and transformative enterprise & supplier development**
  - **Preferential procurement driven enterprise development** support
  - **Local OEMs spinning out companies** around technologies with wider application beyond their primary markets
  - Utilise the **DoD's Transformative Enterprise Development (TED)** programme
  - Utilise and expand **dti's Aerospace Industry Support Initiative (AISI)**
  - Identifying localisation opportunities through the **DST's Technology Localisation Implementation Unit (TLIU)**
  - Form **SMME/RTO/OEM partnerships** to address **DoD acquisition programme requirements**
  - Involve **SMME** in the development of **advanced technology demonstrators**
  - Support **SOEs** with **transformative supplier development**

Exciting initiatives and opportunities

- Launch of the Product Lifecycle Management Technology Centre
- Africa Truck
- Small African Regional Aircraft (SARA)
- AHRLAC
- Cmore
- Hostile Fire Indicator (HOSFIN)
- Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) technology development
- Persistent Wide Area Surveillance technology development
- Inundu fast jet test, evaluation and training pod

Launch of the CSIR Product Lifecycle Management Technology Centre

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Africa Truck

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Cmore - Command & Control Collaborator

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Persistent Wide Area Surveillance

Recent Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) highlights

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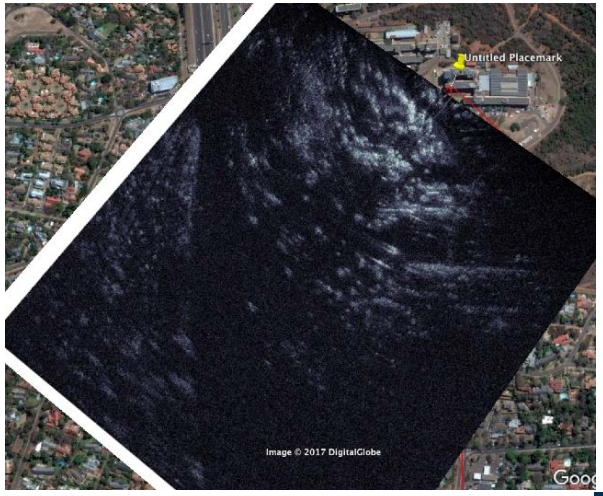

TCCBI SAR C-Band 60cm Resolution image

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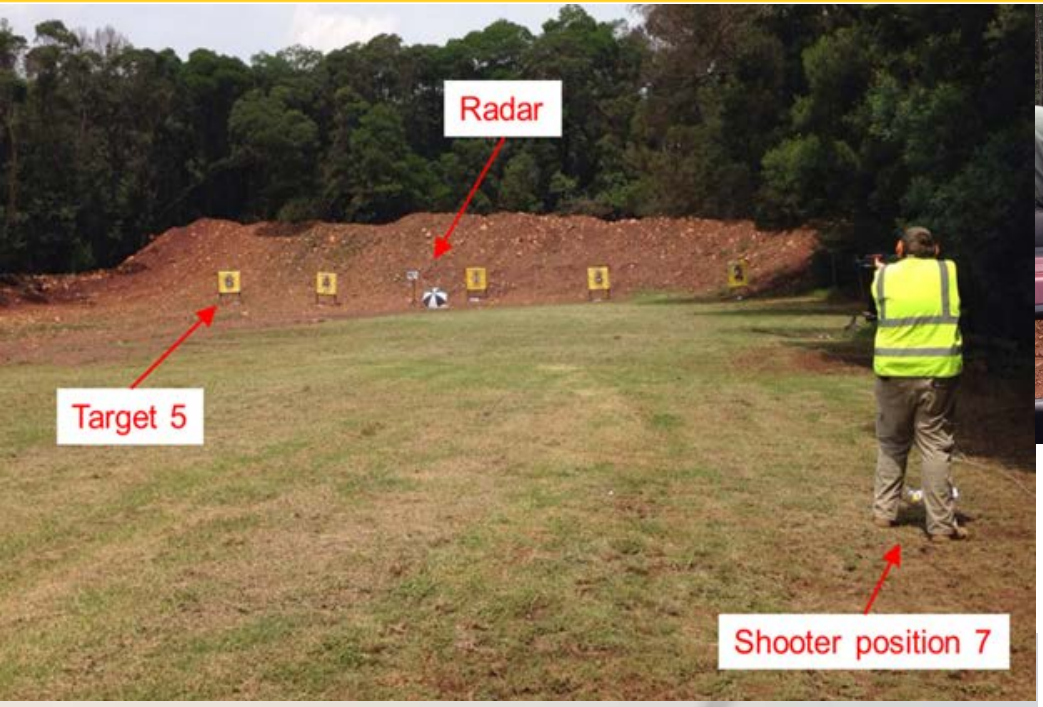
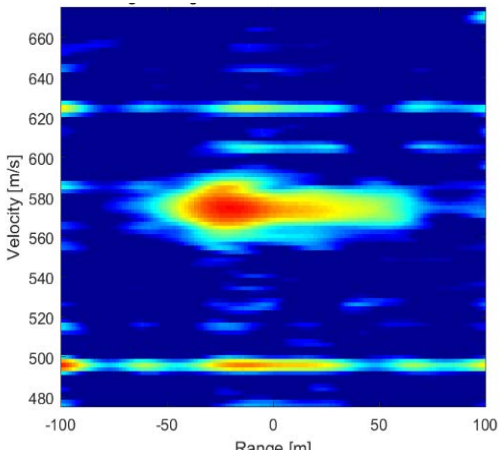
Hostile Fire Indicator (HOSFIIN)





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The way forward

- Finalise the NDIC Defence Industry Strategy
- Finalise CSIR Industrial Development Strategy
- Implement industrial development strategies in collaboration with all role players of the South African National Systems of Innovation

Joining forces for growth and development

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