

# Value Chain Analysis

Early Stage Product Assessment for High Tech SMEs

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# Problem: Not enough Success

- Small & Medium Enterprises (SMEs) = 80% of Med Tech Companies in Europe
- Failure rate of ~90%!

Why do they fail?

they cannot find a Product-Market fit before the money runs out!

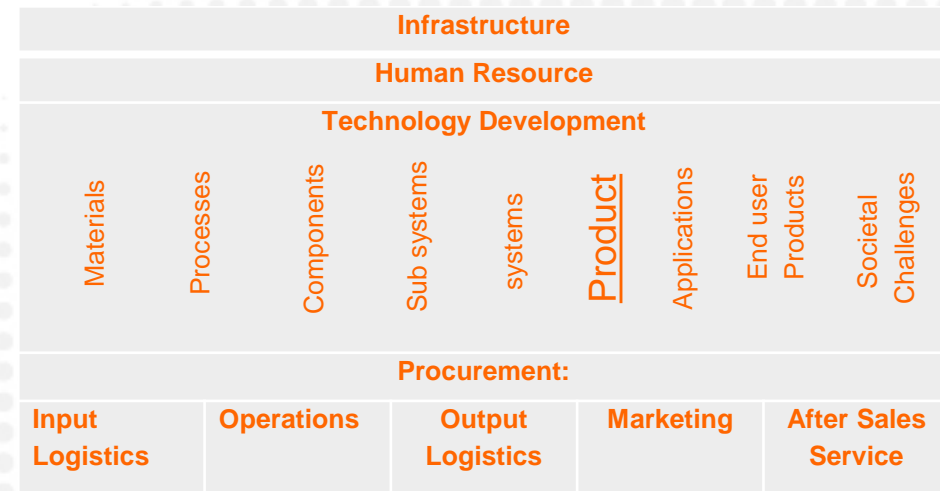
# Crossing the Valley of Death

## Find a Shortcut...

- Value Chain Analysis helps:
  - Find the Market Fit in Advance
  - Be Disruptive: Unique Value Chains are hard to compete against
  - Determine best stakeholders (Customers and Suppliers)
  - Systematically Spot Gaps & opportunities

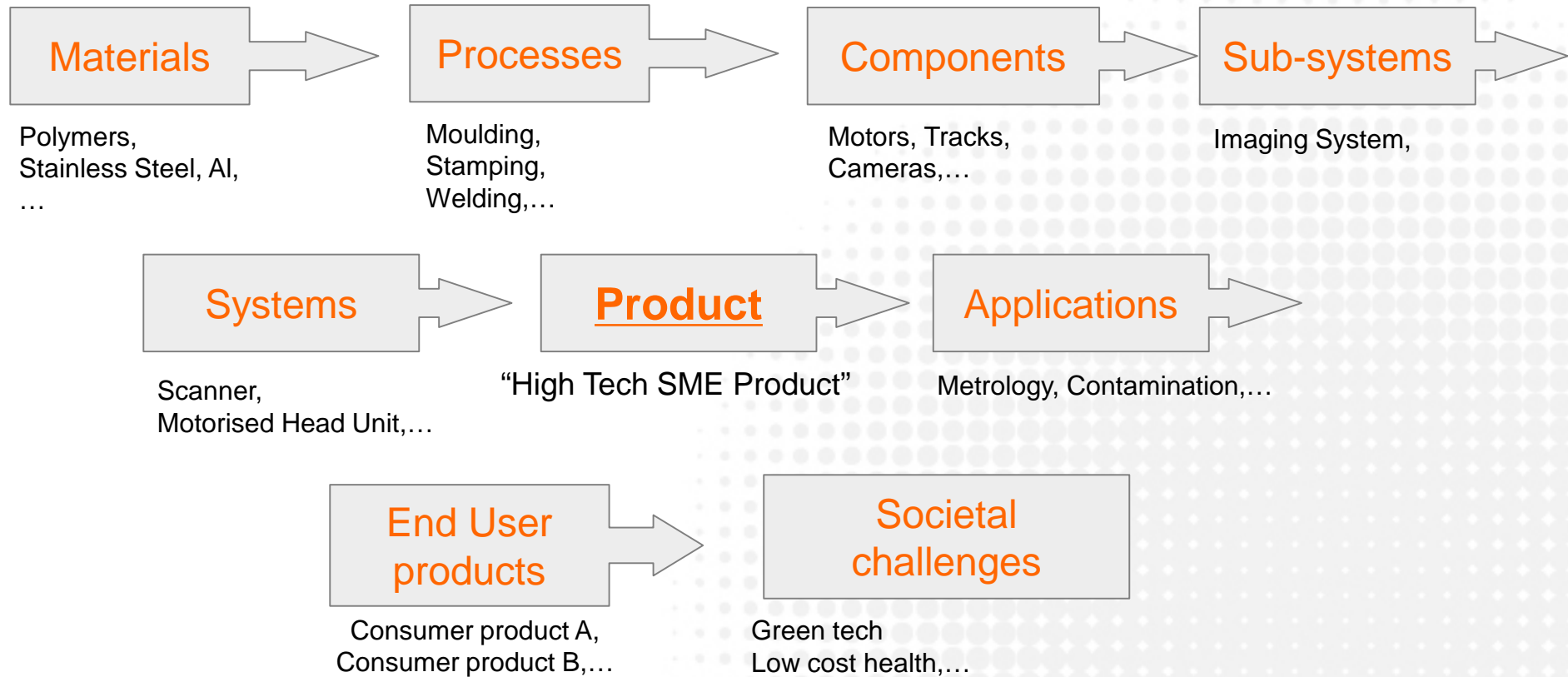
# What is a value chain?

- What is a value chain?
  - Chain of activities which give rise to value
- Value in SMEs arise from different sources
  - focus on the **technology** part of the value chain

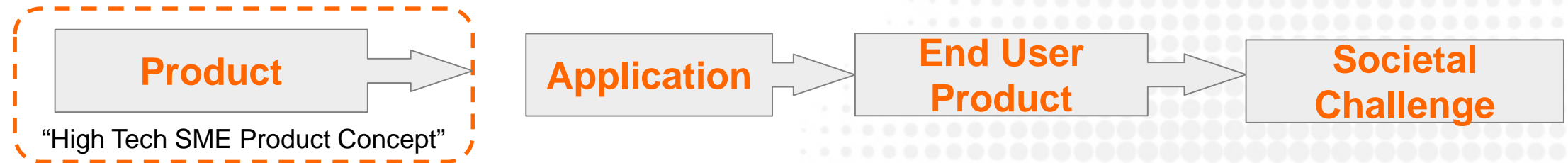


A 'Traditional' Value Chain

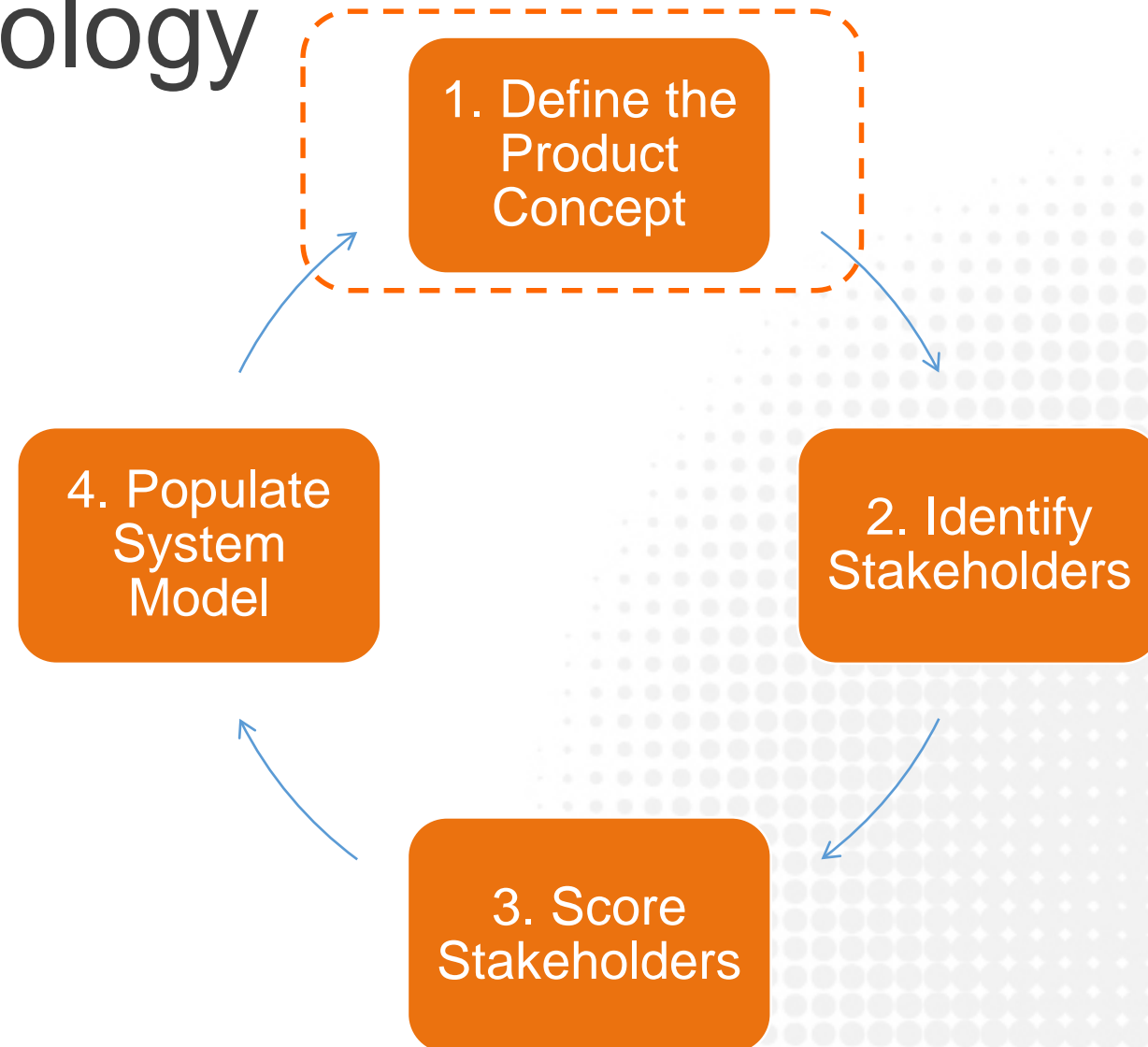
# Product Focused Technical Value Chain



# Product Market side Value Chain



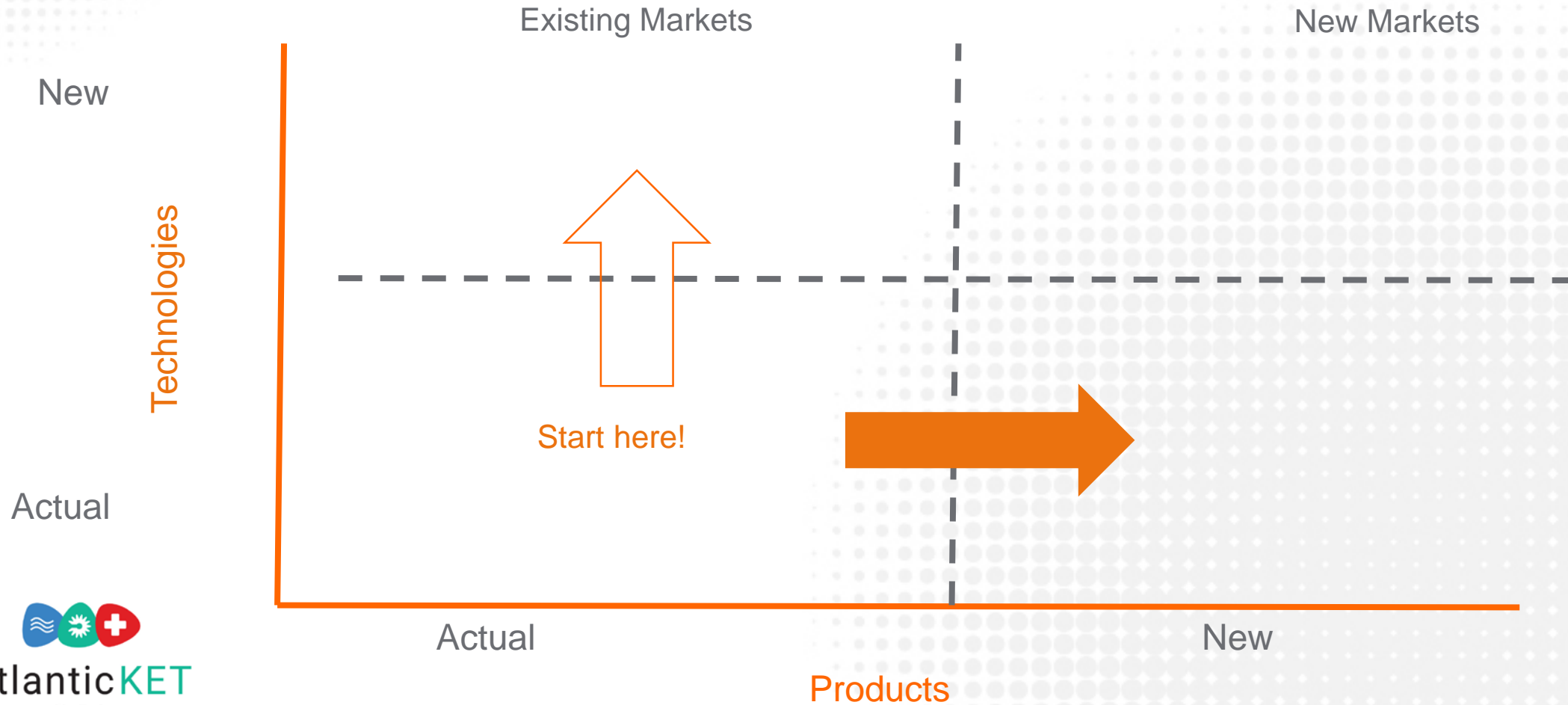
# Overview: Value Chain Analysis Methodology





# What is the Product ?

Exercise 1: Define in terms of Company and Market



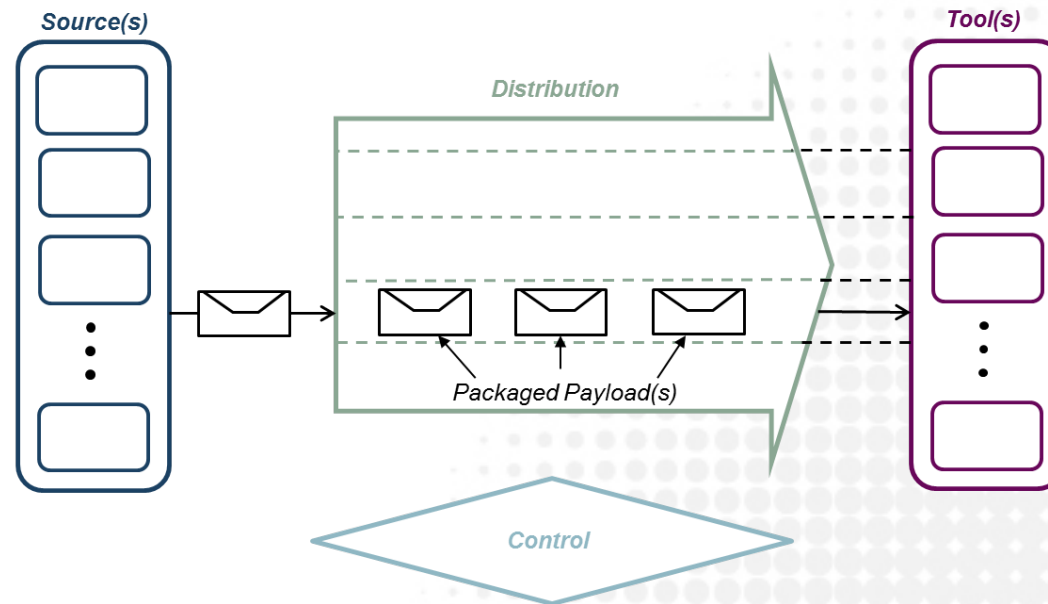


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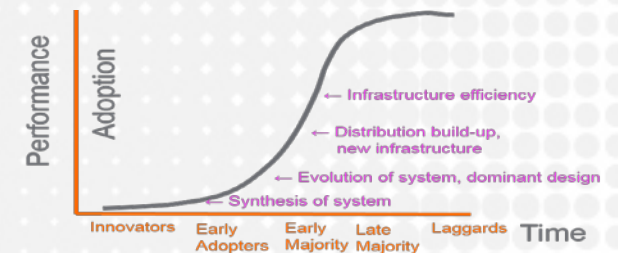
## Exercise 2: Explore the Product 'System'

### Mature Model of essential Elements for scalability

Consider which aspects are internal and which are external



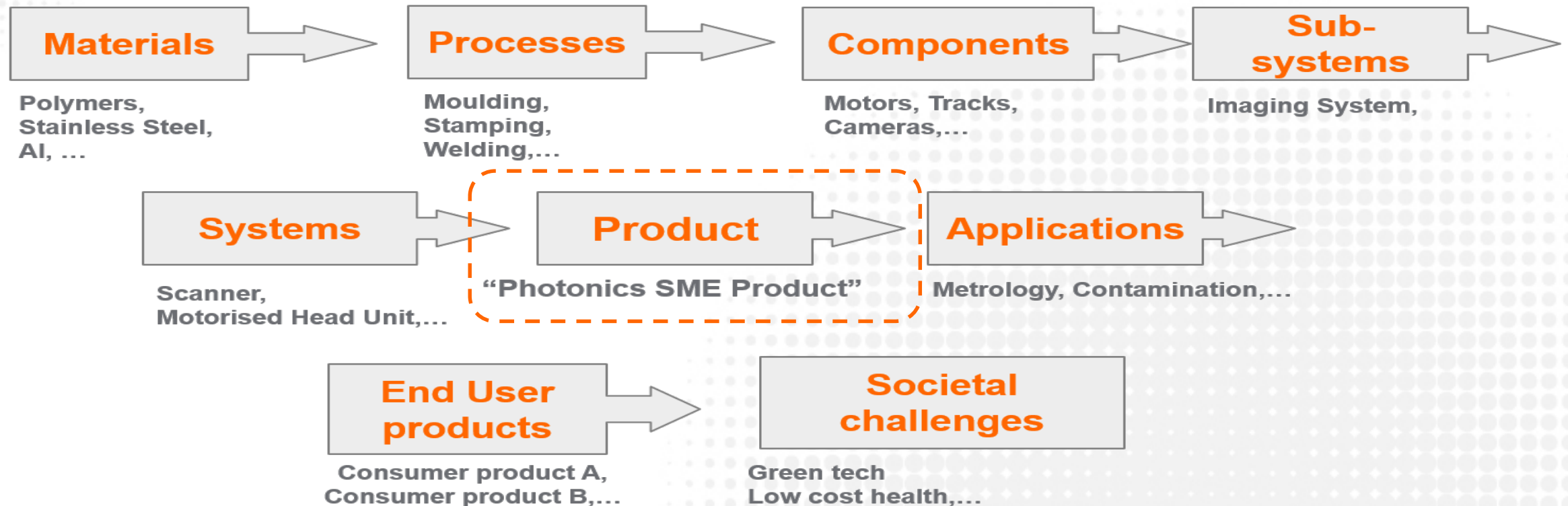
More Questions to ask:  
Technology Readiness Level?  
Innovation Potential?  
Unique Selling Point?



System Model enables S curve growth

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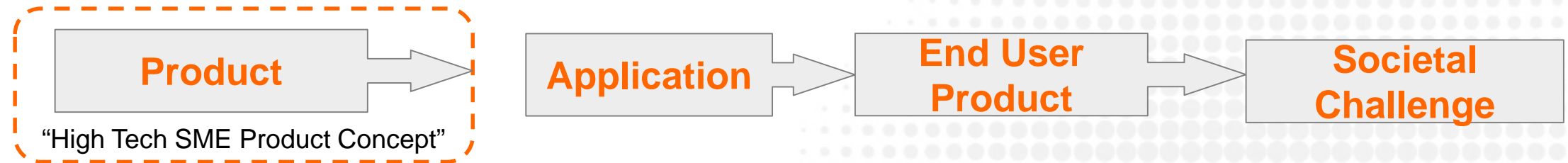
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The value chain is centred on the photonics product

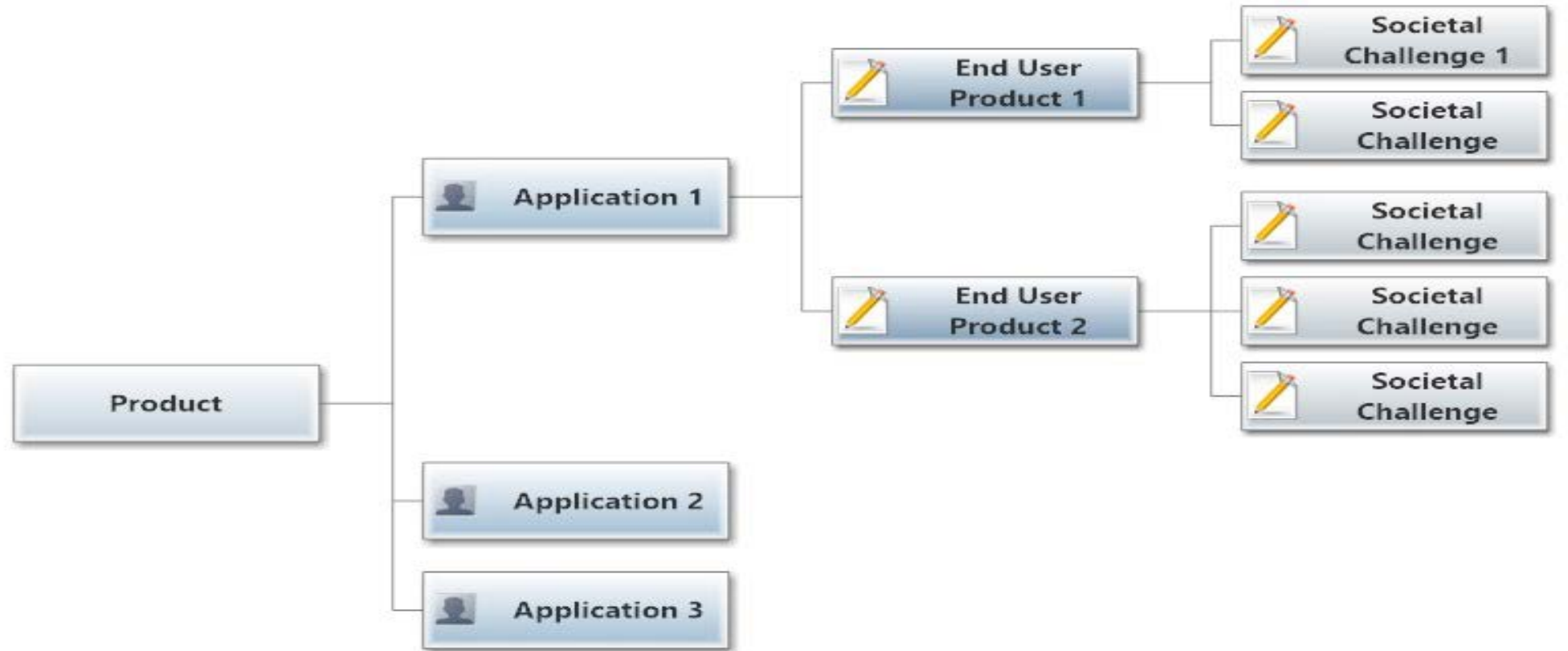
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## Exercise 3: Define the Value Chain – Market Side



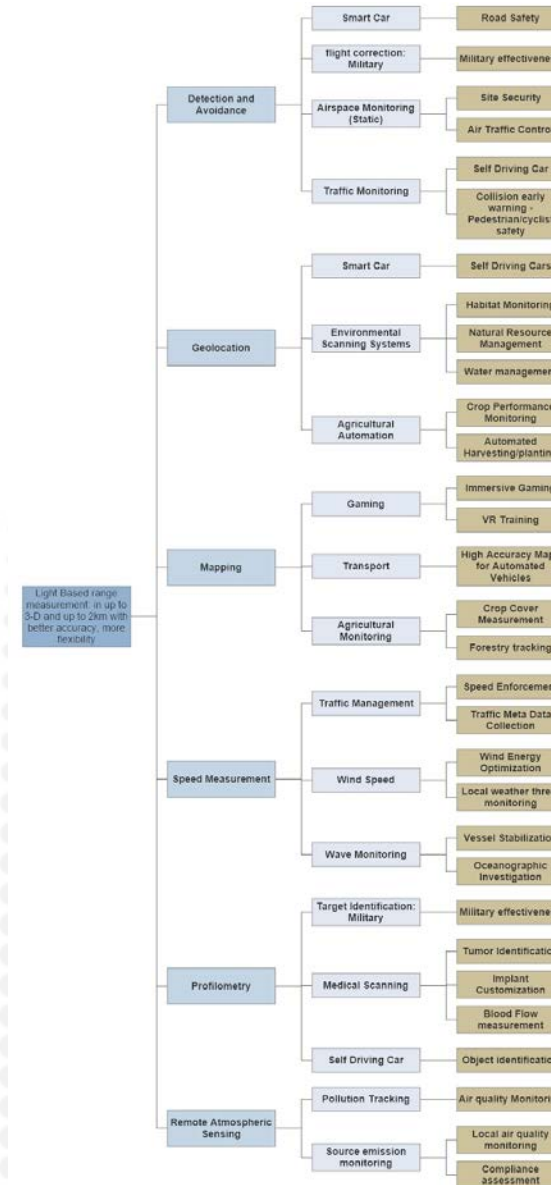
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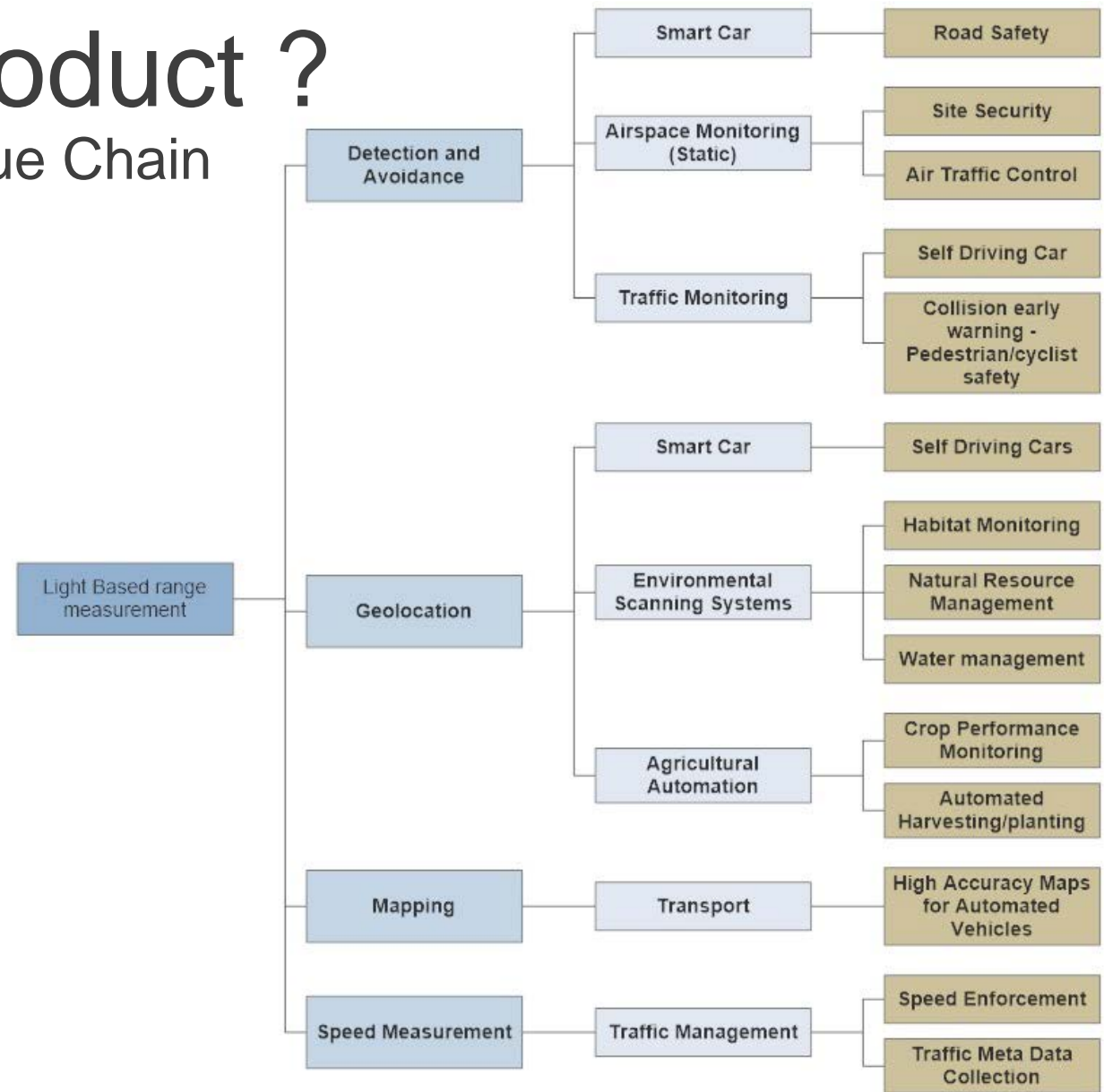
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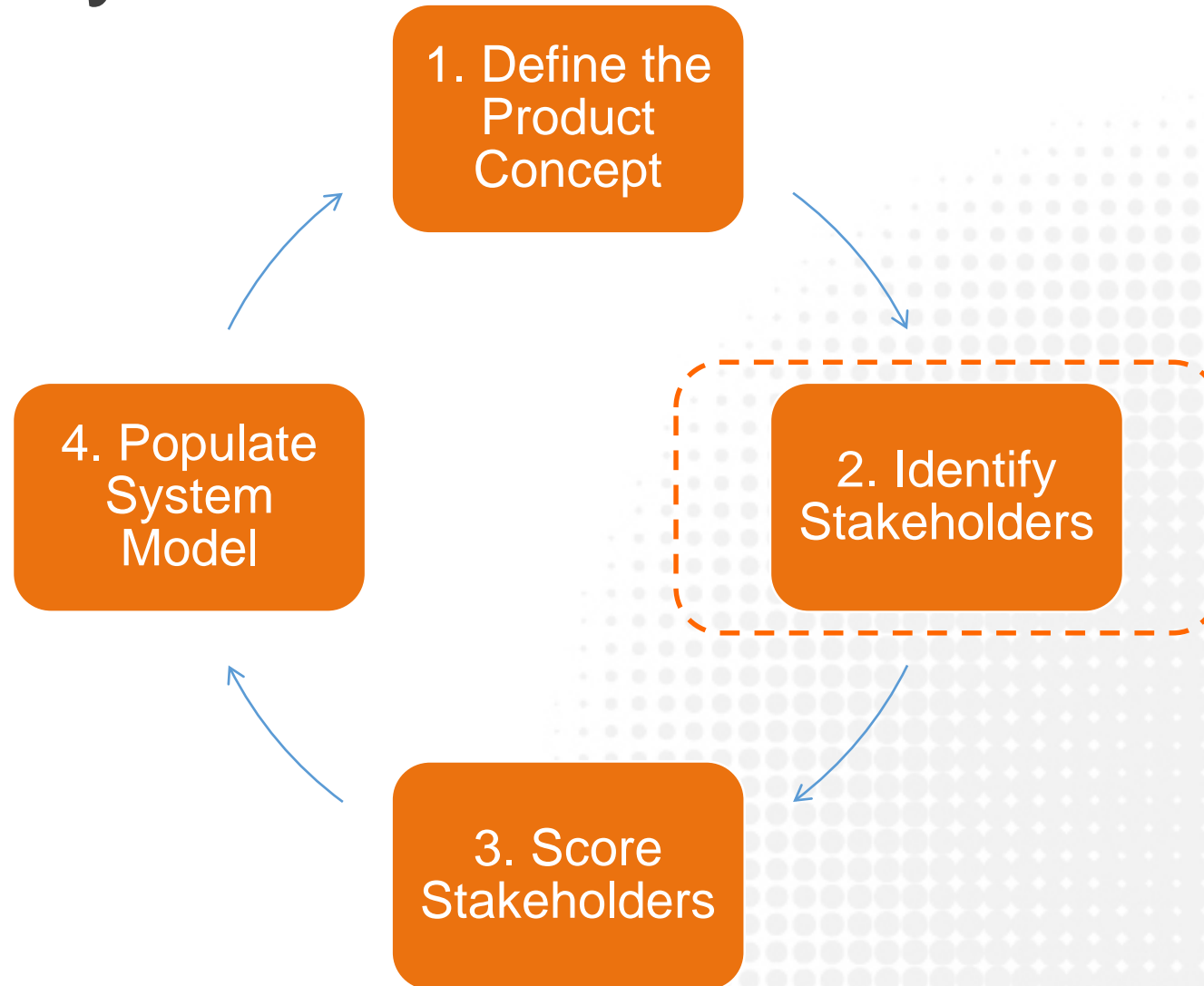


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## 2. Identify Stakeholders





# A Representative Sub-Set

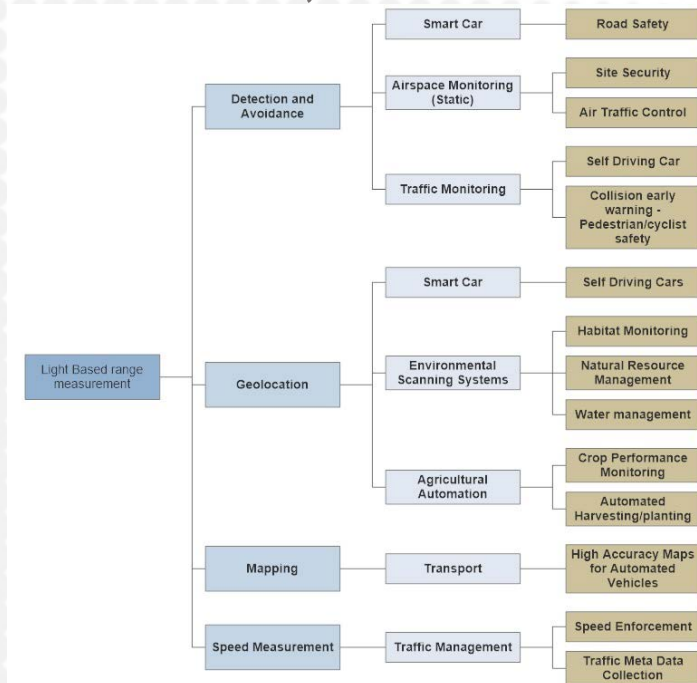
- Impossible to assess all possible Stakeholders
  - Need to restrict the search
- Identify Sectors and Regions to target
- Extract lists of relevant companies

# Sector Targeting: Stakeholder Database

- Start with Clusters – Engageable, Relevant, Region Specific  
Cluster Observatory, European Secretariat for Cluster Analysis
- E.G. For Lidar: Automotive, Green Energy, Security, Marine Region =Europe –  
Concentrated on project member companies
- Extract Data - Use free online tools:
  - Note Parse – Extracts hyperlinks from Text
  - Link Grabber – Plugin Extracts links from webpages
  - Copy All URLs – Plugin Converts open Tabs to list of Hyperlinks
- Capture web addresses in a spreadsheet

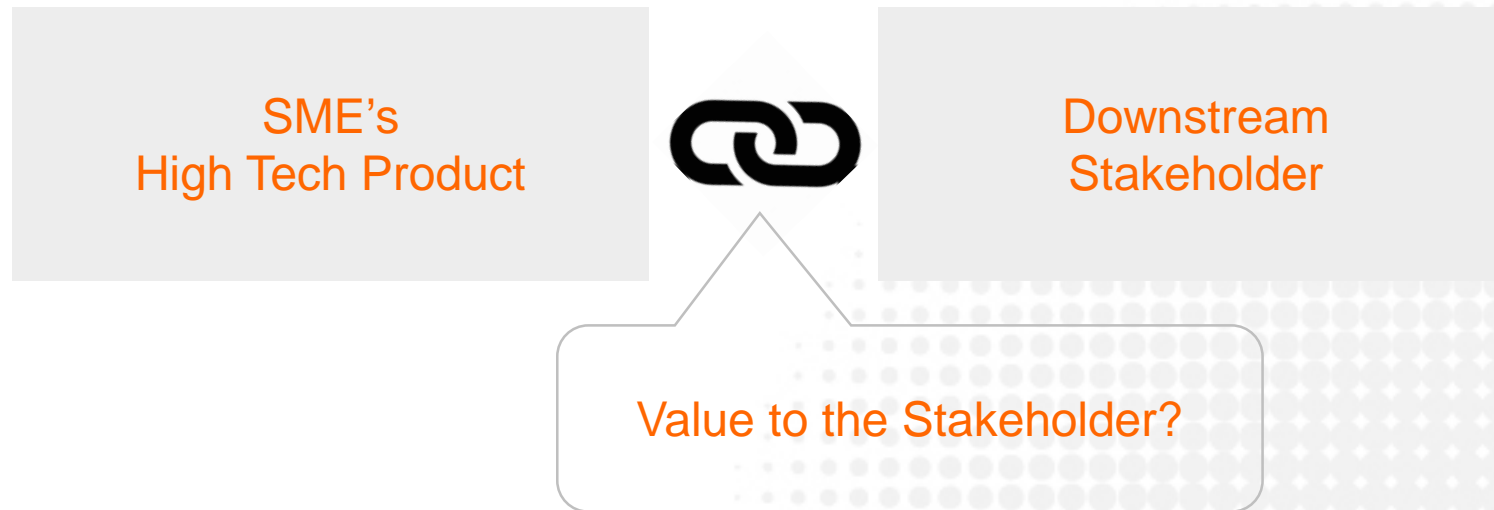
# Sector Targeting: Custom Search Engines

- [cse.google.com](http://cse.google.com)
  - Build a search engine that only looks at specific websites
  - Find the websites through: Industry Clusters, RTOs, Educational Institutes, Enterprise Boards, Regional Development Authorities, Company Databases,.....
- Use the Value Chain terms in the CSE



# Value Proposition: Litmus Test

Weak Value Proposition = Not a Stakeholder

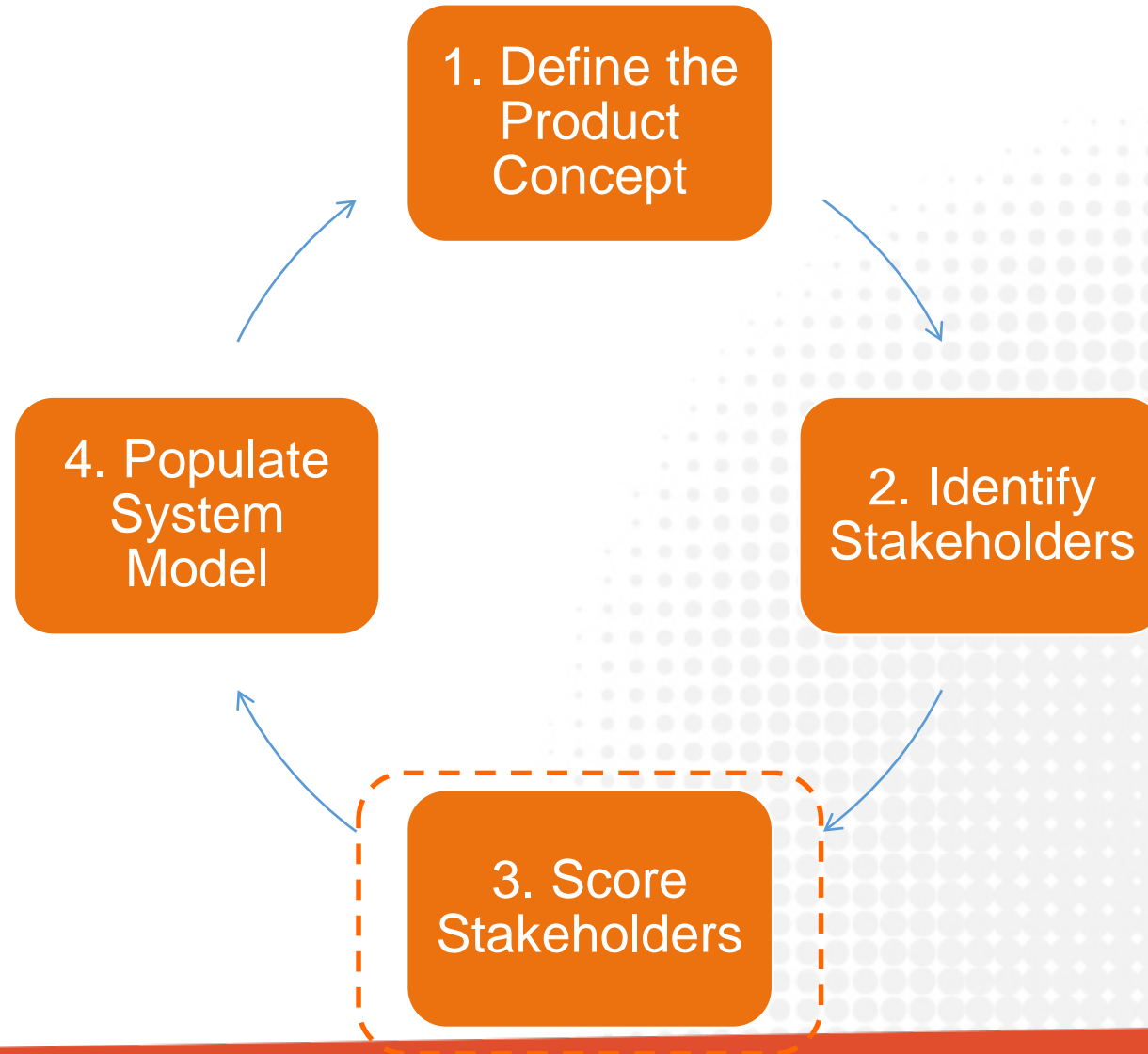


Value Proposition: Use the Product Definition to inform this

Keep it Simple

Keep it relevant

# 3. Score the Stakeholders



# Numerical score for Stakeholders

## Ask Simple Questions

- Stakeholder Basics:
  - Related Activity?
    - Is the Stakeholder aligned with the SME? Yes/Maybe/No = 3/2/1
    - Will Stakeholder growth and development help SME and vice versa?
  - Conflicted?
    - Involved with competition? Likely to usurp SME themselves?
  - Engageable?
    - Easy path to working relationship – Partner company, Cluster Member, or no connection
  - Working Relationship?
    - Existing connections are most easily leveraged



# Best Estimate: TRL

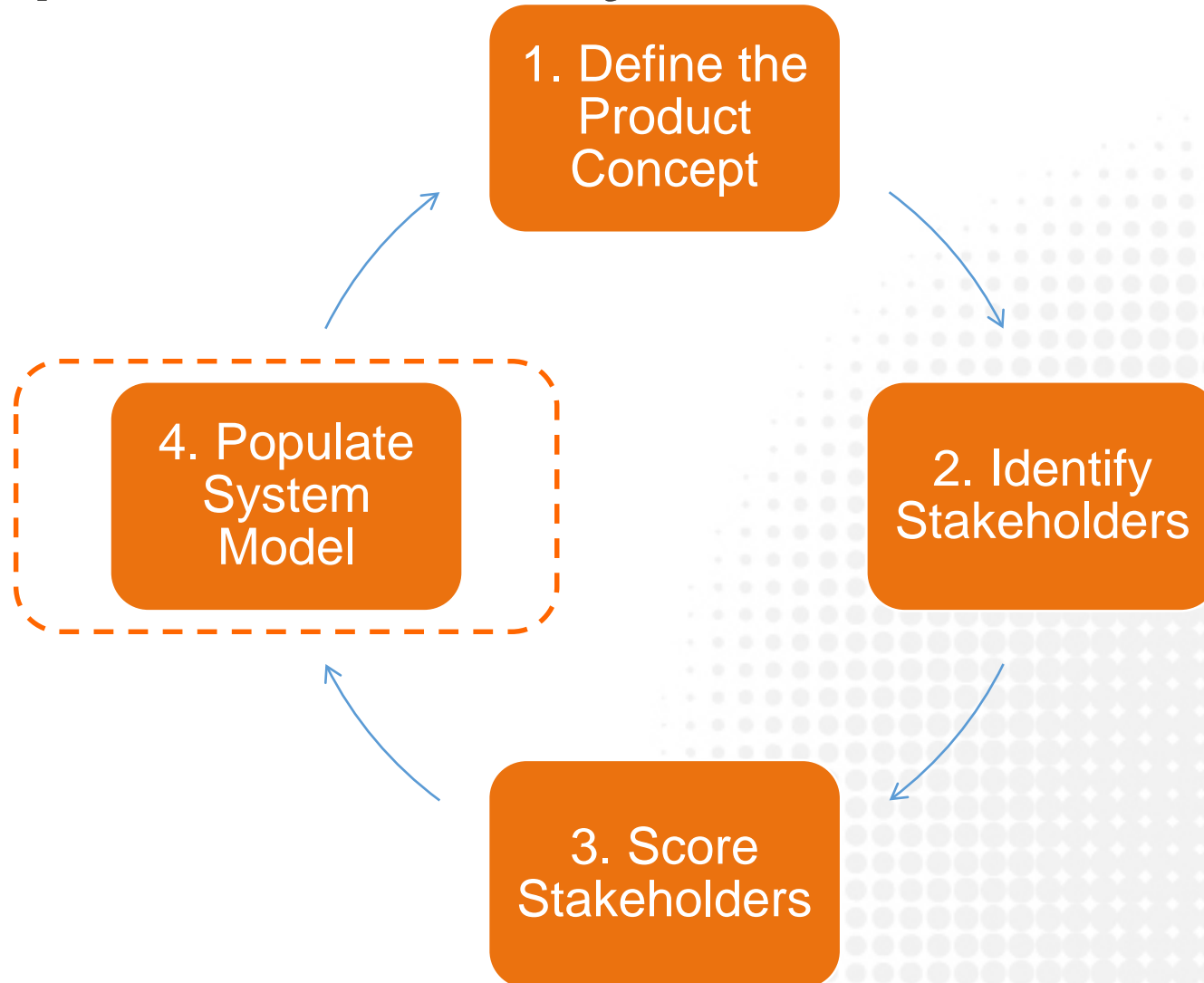
- Estimate the TRL of the Product for that Stakeholder
  - Use best guess for TRL
  - Based on Value Proposition
  - Low Score is bad – we want stakeholder using the Product in an advanced state
  - Too high Score is bad also – Fully developed TRL limits potential for Growth
  - Maximum Score for TRL – 8, Qualified



# Best Estimate: Innovation Potential

- Innovation Potential:
  - How much is the technology **suddenly possible** ?
  - Does the Stakeholder have the resources to prototype and develop?
  - Does the stakeholder have sufficient expertise to exploit the Product?
  - Where is the technology on the S-Curve?
  - Is the innovation **desperately needed**?
  - How accessible is the market that exists for the proposed development?
  - How readily available are a creative crowd of first adopters?
  - How accessible are markets of a multitude

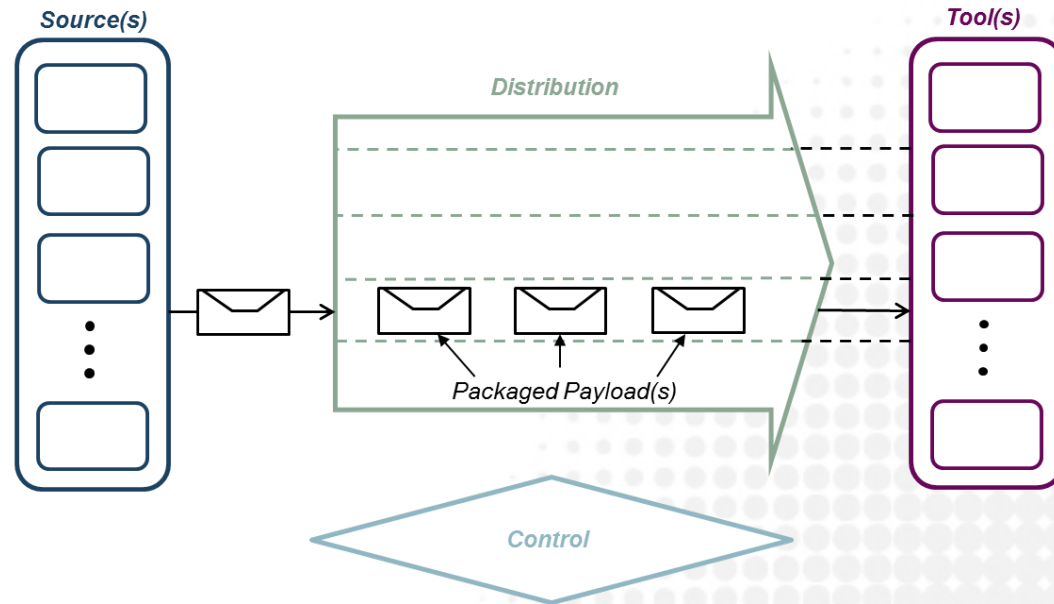
# 4. Populate the System Model



# Place top Stakeholders into the System Model

Provide as many options as possible

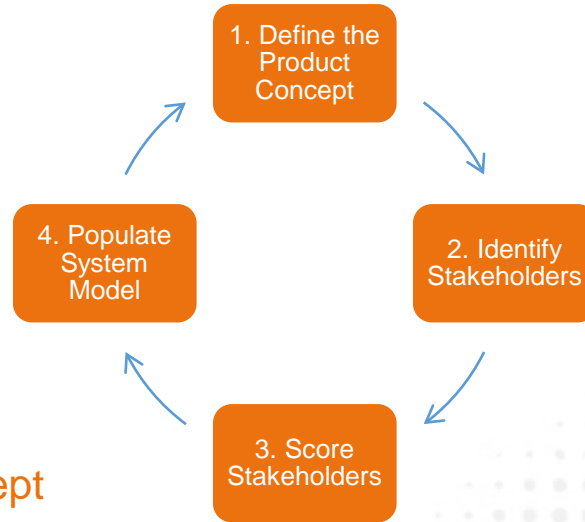
## Model of essential Elements for future scalability



Are there Gaps? How do we fill them?

Exercise is an effective form of debriefing and sets the SME up to exploit results

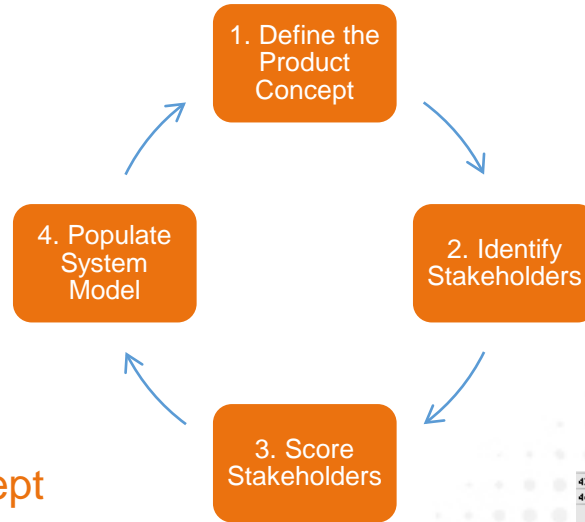
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Stakeholder/Buyer	Linked to?	Activity Type	Value Proposition	System Model	Overall Score
Bosch	Smart Car - Detection and Avoidance	Connected Car developer	Price, features, resolution	Tool, Control, Distribution	7.91
Daimler	Smart Car - Detection and Avoidance	Car Manufacturer	Price, features, resolution	Tool, Control, Distribution	7.91
Gemalto	Smart Car - Detection and Avoidance	Smart Car Connectivity	Price, features, resolution	Tool, Control, Distribution	7.91
IBM	Smart Car - Detection and Avoidance	Traffic Management	Price, features, resolution	Tool, Control, Distribution	7.91
Siemens	Smart Car - Detection and Avoidance	Parking Management	Price, features, resolution	Tool, Control, Distribution	7.91
ZTE	Smart Car - Detection and Avoidance	smart car location and con	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.86
Leica Geosystems	High Accuracy Maps - Transport	Reality Capture	Added Functionality, Accu	Tool	7.8
Trimble	High Accuracy Maps - Transport	Direct Georeferencing	Real Time Mapping	Tool	7.8
Continental	Agricultural automation - Geolocation	Autonomous Vehicles	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.77
Matrix Vision	Agricultural automation - Geolocation	Autonomous Vehicles	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.77
Smartcar, Inc	Smart Car - Detection and Avoidance	Smart Car Connectivity	Price, features, resolution	Control, Distribution	7.72
Keopsus	Environmental Scanning Systems - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Price, features, resolution	Tool, Control, Distribution	7.66
Laserccomponents	Speed Measurement	Automotive Automation	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.66
Thales	Airspace monitoring - Detection and Avoidance	Aerospace Security	Price, features, resolution	Tool, Control, Distribution	7.66
Applus+ IDIADA	Road Safety - Smart Car	Automotive Engineering	Improved Vehicle Automat	Tool	7.55
Continental	Automated Harvesting/Planting - Agricultural A	Agricultural Automation	Added Functionality, Accu	Tool	7.55
Continental	Road Safety - Smart Car	Automotive Parts Manufac	Improved Vehicle Automat	Tool	7.55
Daimler	Road Safety - Smart Car	Automotive Manufacturer	Improved Vehicle Automat	Tool	7.55
3D Laser Mapping	Environmental Scanning Systems - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.52
3dsystems	Environmental Scanning Systems - Geolocation	3D Production	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.52
Leica Geosystems	Environmental Scanning Systems - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.52
Leica Geosystems	Mapping	3D Mapping	Price, features, resolution	Tool	7.52
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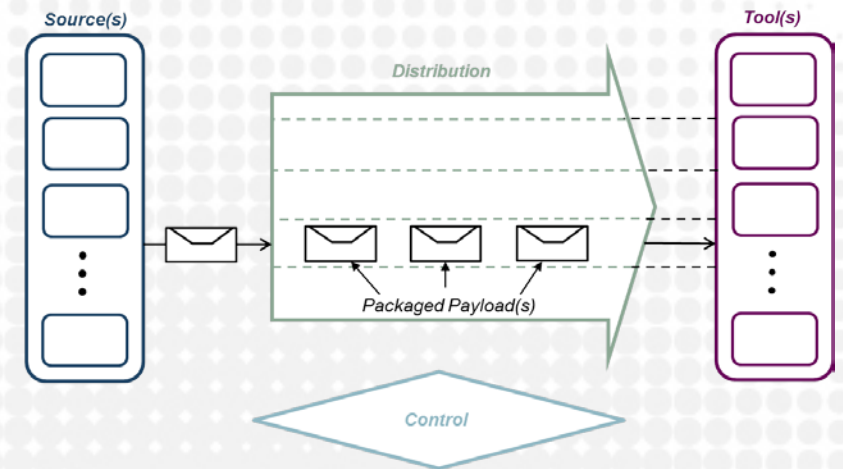
43	Value	Self Driving Car - Traffic Monitoring	Auto Manufacturer	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central	6.91	
44	Trimble Addressed Geolocation Solution	Geolocation	Mapping and GIS	Enhanced location accuracy	Total	5.69	
45	zllc	Geolocation	geolocation of wireless emitters	Address range accuracy	Total	5.69	
46	IBT	Smart Car - Geolocation	Traffic Management	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central, Distrib	7.41	
47	Beach	Smart Car - Geolocation	Connected Car developer	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central, Distrib	7.41	
48	Siemens	Smart Car - Geolocation	Parking Management	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central, Distrib	7.41	
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50	ZTE	Smart Car - Geolocation	smart car finding and connection	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.36	
51	Julius	Smart Car - Geolocation	Smart Car Connectivity	Price, feature, realisation	Central, Distribution	7.22	
52	Daimler	Smart Car - Geolocation	Car Manufacturer	Collect Metadata, Instant	Total	6.43	
53	Dassault Systèmes	Smart Car - Geolocation	Smart Car Developer	System Development, Hard	Central, Packaged	6.6	
54	Value	Smart Car - Geolocation	Car Manufacturer	System Development, Hard	Central, Packaged	6.6	
55	Value	Smart Car - Geolocation	Connected Car developer	Improved localisation	Central, Packaged	6.1	
56	GAUSS	Self Driving Car - Traffic Monitoring	Legitiser	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central	6.91	
57	Dassault	Self Driving Car - Traffic Monitoring	System Developer	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central	6.91	
58	Daimler	Self Driving Car - Traffic Monitoring	Auto Manufacturer	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central	6.91	
59	Beach	Self Driving Car - Traffic Monitoring	System Developer	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central	6.91	
60	Value	Self Driving Car - Traffic Monitoring	Auto Manufacturer	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central	6.91	
61	Kapsar	Environmental Scanning System - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Price, feature, realisation	Total, Central, Distrib	7.66	
62	3D Laser Mapping	Environmental Scanning System - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.52	7.06
63	Leica Geosystems	Environmental Scanning System - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.52	
64	3D Systems	Environmental Scanning System - Geolocation	3D Production	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.52	
65	Riscall	Environmental Scanning System - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.52	
66	Faps	Environmental Scanning System - Geolocation	3D Scanning	Generate Model Data	Total, Central, Pack	7.27	
67	DLB	Habitat Monitoring - Environmental Scanning System	Monitoring nature and the environment	Rakurt Data Collection, mul	Total, Central	6.8	
68	Dassault Systèmes	Natural Resource Management - Environmental Scanning	System Developer	3D Mapping of resources and	Total	6.8	
69	Matrix Vision	Water Management - Environmental Scanning	Water Basin Management	Real Time Mapping	Total	6.8	
70	Valins	Agricultural automation - Geolocation	Autonomous Vehicle	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.77	
71	Hexagon	Agricultural automation - Geolocation	Autonomous Vehicle	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.77	
72	Aspi	Agricultural automation - Geolocation	Agricultural Automation	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.24	
73	SICK	Agricultural automation - Geolocation	Vehicle Guidance	Price, feature, realisation	Total	7.05	

# Thank You!



# The System Model

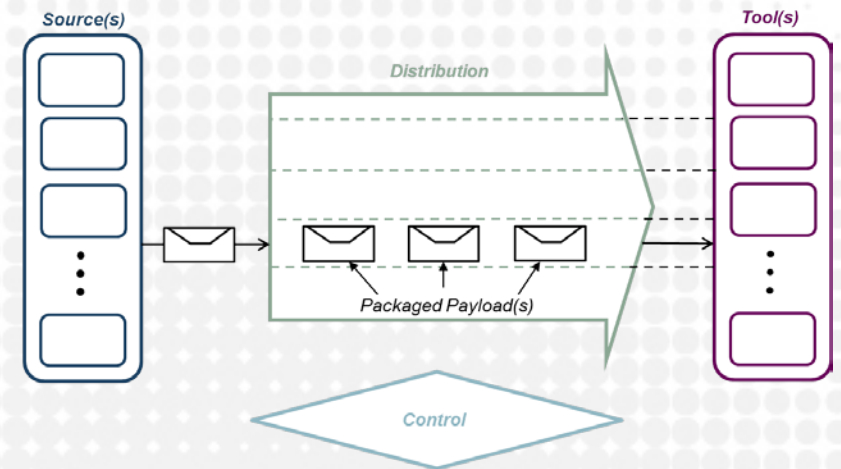
- **Market = Goods and Services Trade = *Mass, Energy, Information Exchange***
- *Mass, Energy, Information* originates at '**Source**' (exchangeable format)
- *Mass, Energy, Information* used/transformed at '**Tool**' (useable format)
- *Mass, Energy, Information* travel (Space or Time) via '**Distribution**'
- *Mass, Energy, Information* formatted for use by Tool is '**Packaged Payload**'
- *Mass, Energy, Information* interactions enabled by '**Control**'



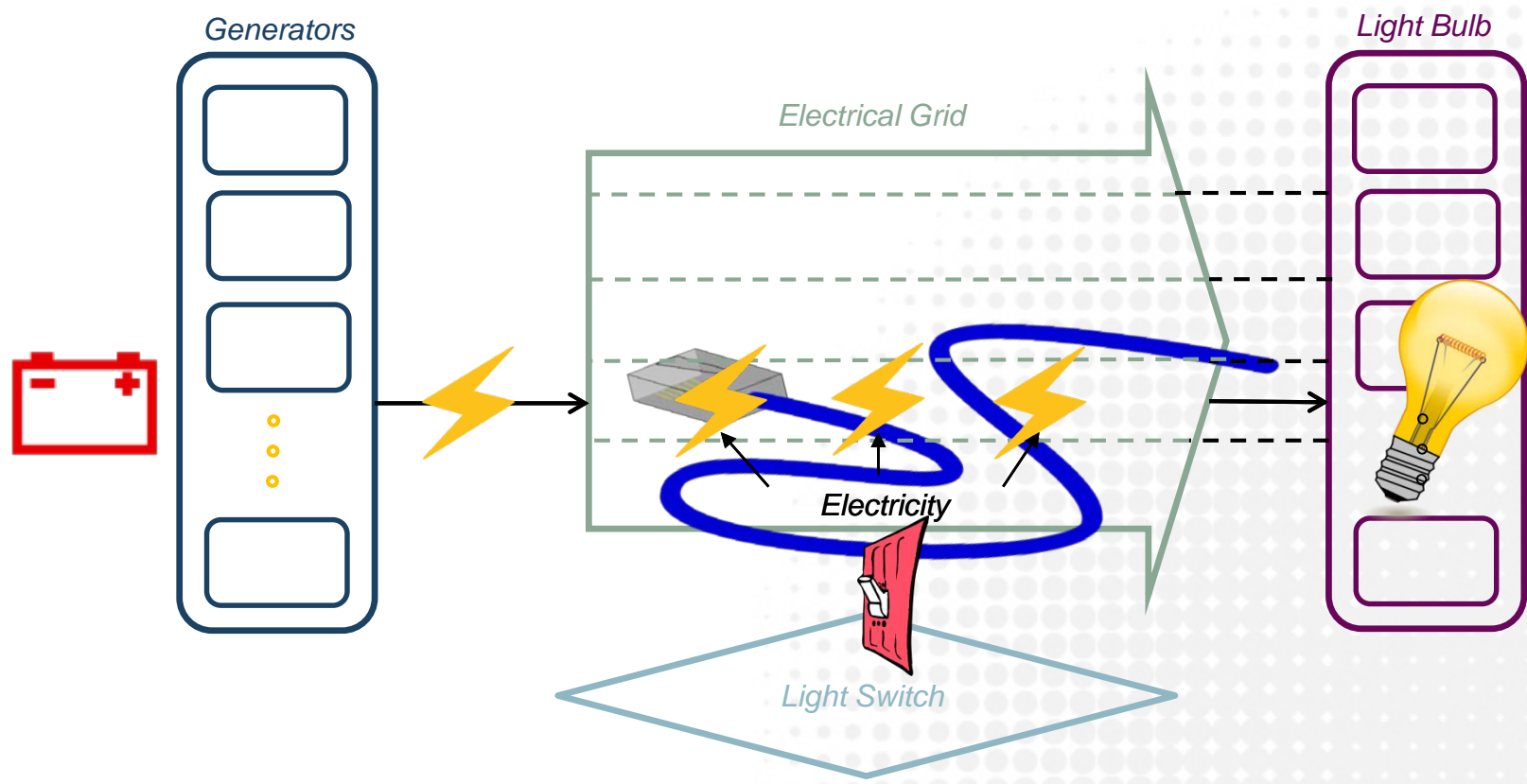


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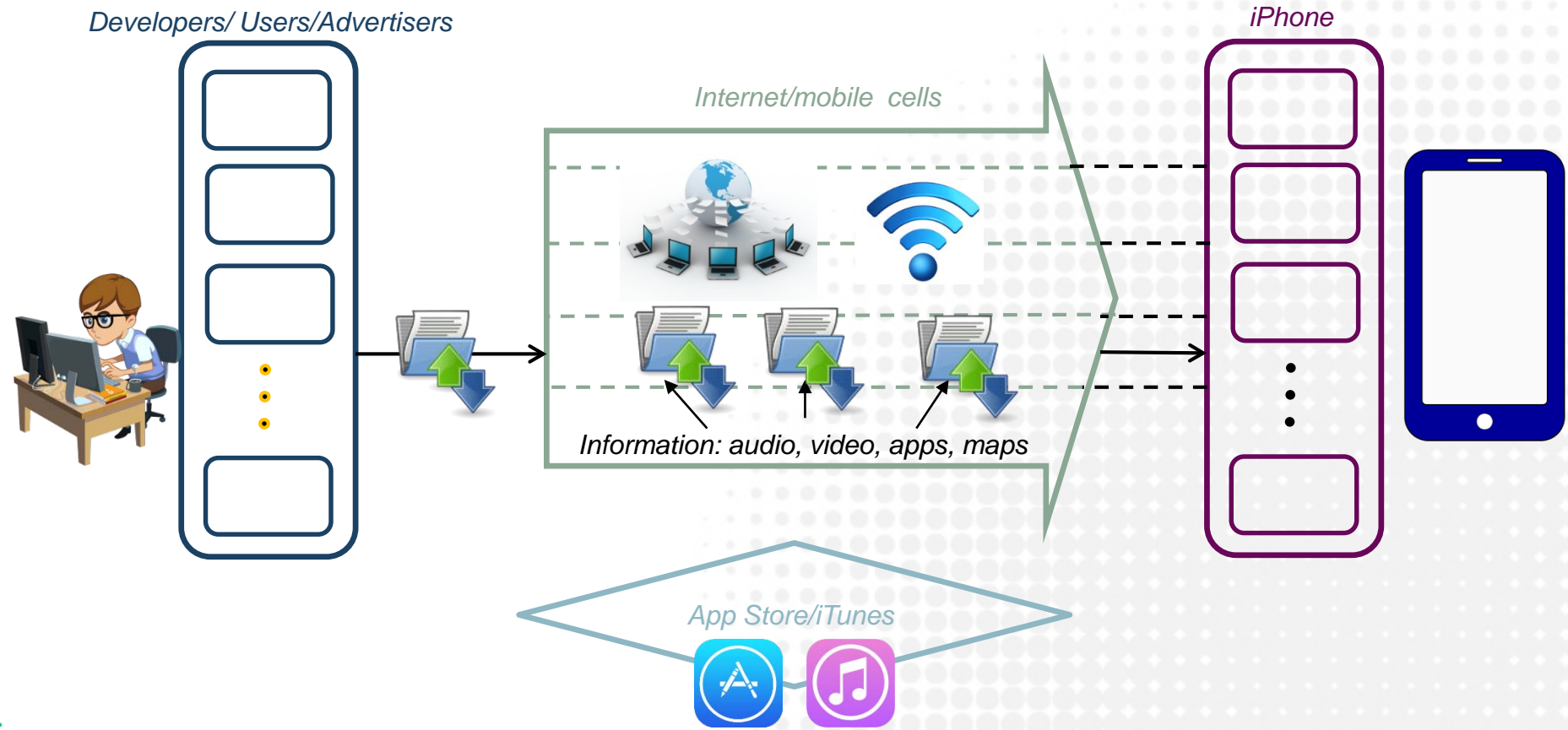
- Product = **'Tool'**
- **'Source'** = Essential Elements for the operation of the Product
- **'Distribution'** = Pathway between Essential Element and Product
- **'Packaged Payload'** = Essential Element in format that Product can use
- **'Control'** = Controls Essential Element and Product interaction



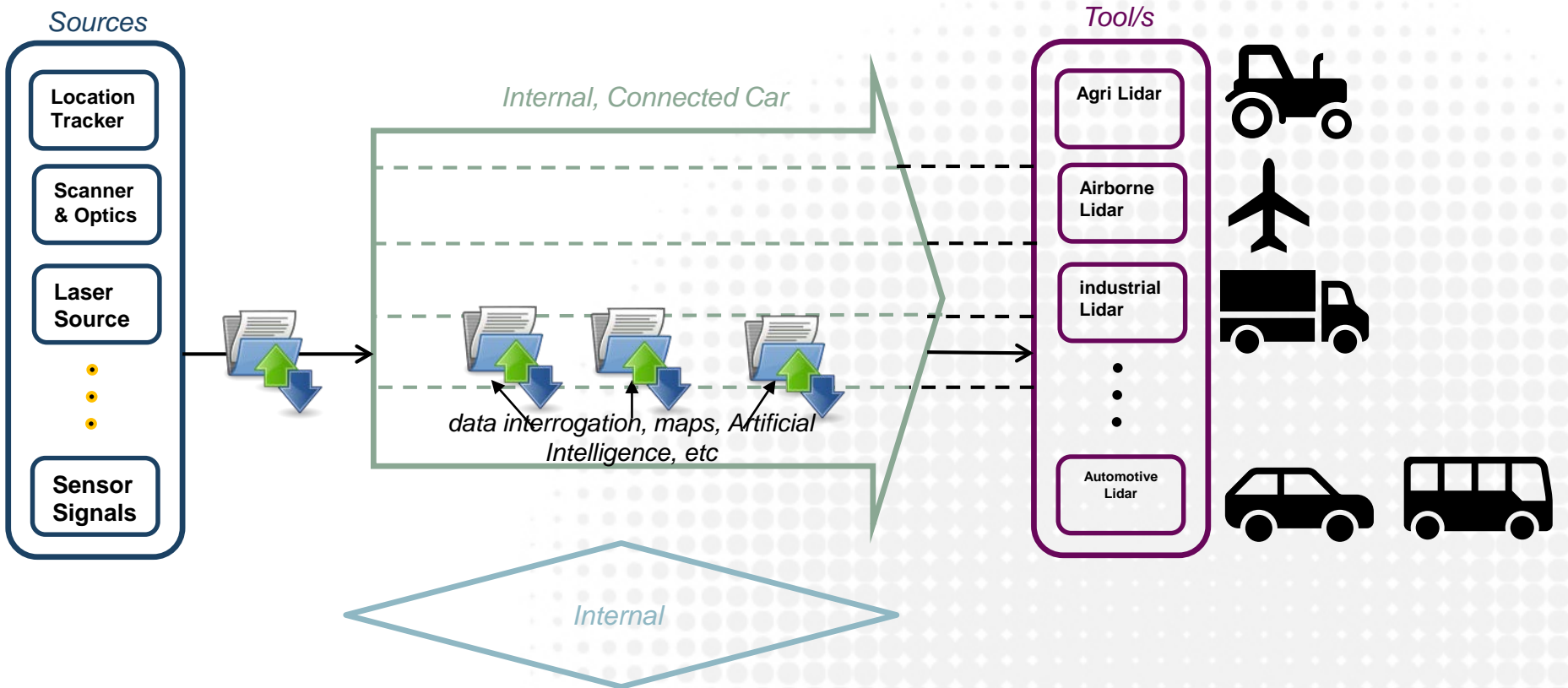
# System Model: Example 1, Light Bulb



# System Model: Example 2, iPhone



# System Model: Example 3, Lidar



# Product TRLs

- Estimate the Projected Internal TRL for the Product and each Application etc.
- Score provides weighting for subsequent stakeholder scoring
- Max TRL provides max weighting – We want to market Product at highest TRL