

Belgian Technology Platforms



Flanders' FOOD
Competentiepool van de Vlaamse Voedingsindustrie

1. WAGRALIM : the machinery

- The NTP for French Speaking Belgium
- 2 Regions: Wallonia and Brussels
- WagrAlim is a Cluster: Competitiveness Cluster
- Association of 80 companies with R&D centers and other partners (training & education...)
- Strong focus on Agro-food companies, + complementary businesses
- Core business: bring companies into partnerships
- How? Networking, clustering, projects set up, selection and proposition for financenment by Region
- Internationalisation of cluster, companies and partners

2. WAGRALIM: the projects

- 22 important projects have been financed
 - 14 Research and Innovation
 - 8 Training
- 1 project is an international one (BE + F)
- Projects fit into 4 strategic axes:
 - Health - Nutrition
 - Technology (conservation) / Industrial Efficiency
 - Packaging and Bio-Packaging
 - Sustainability
- Project leader: always a company
- Investments projects are possible
- Other “small” projects in partnership



3. WAGRALIM: achievements

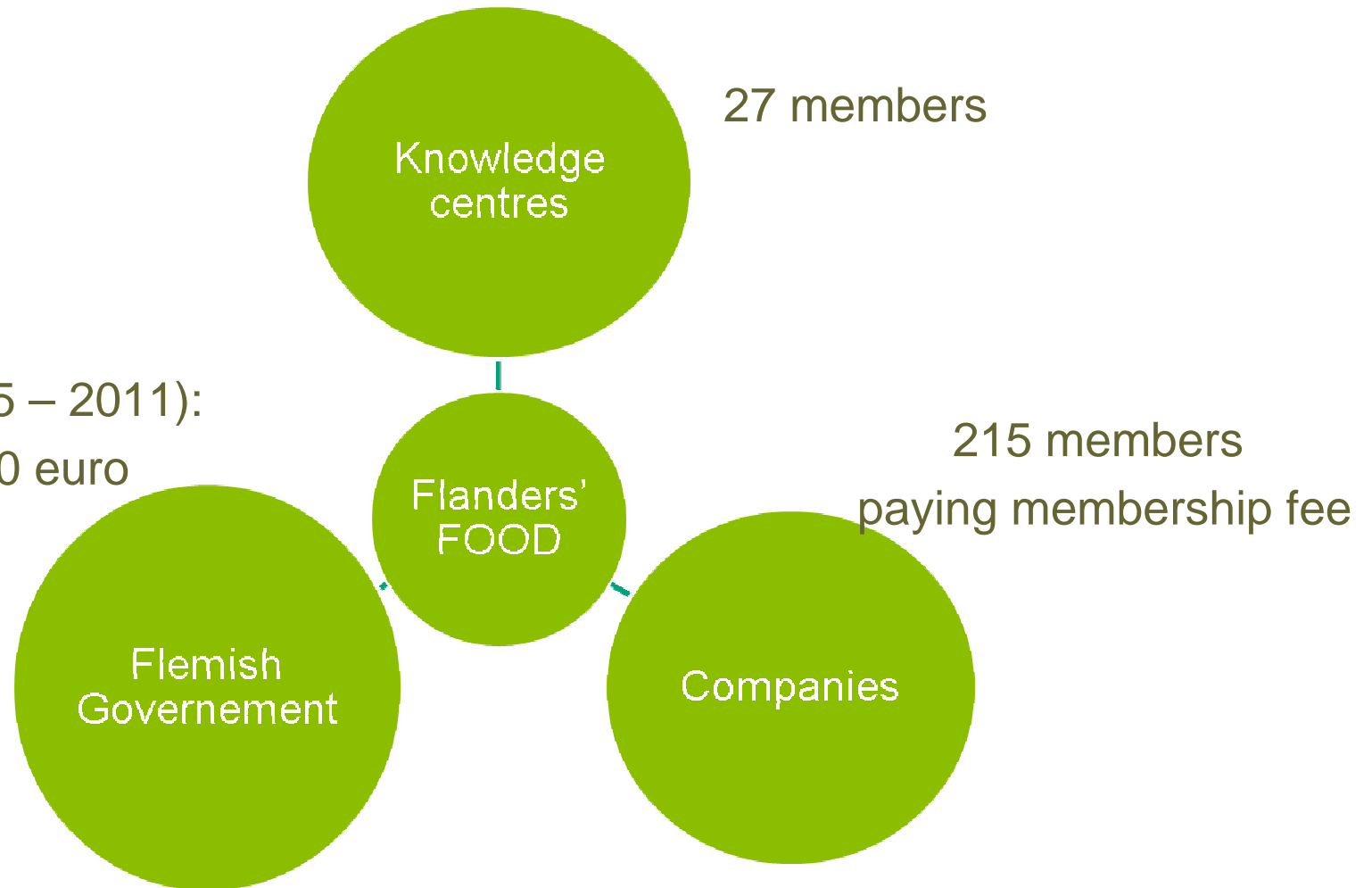
- New scientific tools for functional ingredients
- functional chocolate with polyphenolics
- demonstration plant for bio-packaging
- platform project for food preservation (meat, beer...)
- cracking of flax, wheat leading to new ingredients (fibers, oils..)
- ...
- Networking between companies and R&D centers
- New innovation culture
- International network in construction (France, Spain, Belgium, The Netherlands...) / Truefood



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Funding (2005 – 2011):
14 150 000 euro





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- Scientific and technological advice
 - **215 individual advices**

- Seminars, trainings and workshops
 - **16 events with 972 participants**
 - **Exampels:**
 - ✓ Seminar 'Hygiene for FOOD'
 - ✓ Training 'Sensorial evaluation'
 - ✓ Seminar 'Future meals'





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- Science and technology watch newsletter
 - **1300 subscribers**

- Collaborative research projects
 - **12 projects with 129 food companies (2006 – 2009)**
 - **10 projects with 73 food companies (2010 – 2011)**
 - **Exampels:**
 - ✓ **Sal, fat and sugar reduction**
 - ✓ **Fatbloom reduction in chocolate**
 - ✓ **Allergen risk evaluation**
 - ✓ **Mildheat**





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