

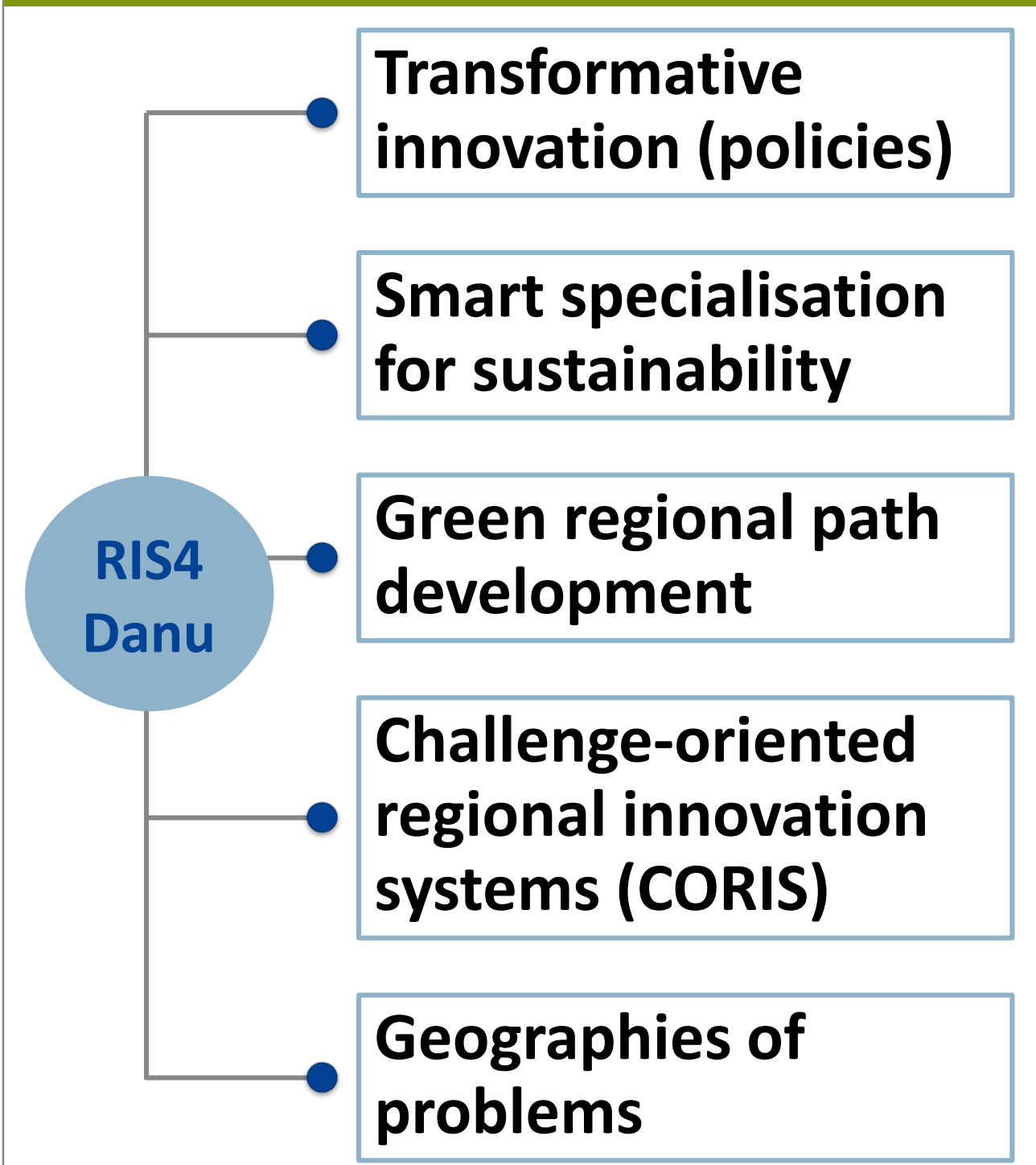
A research perspective on the "RIS4Danu" Project: Sustainable Smart Specialization for the Re-opening of Industrial Sites

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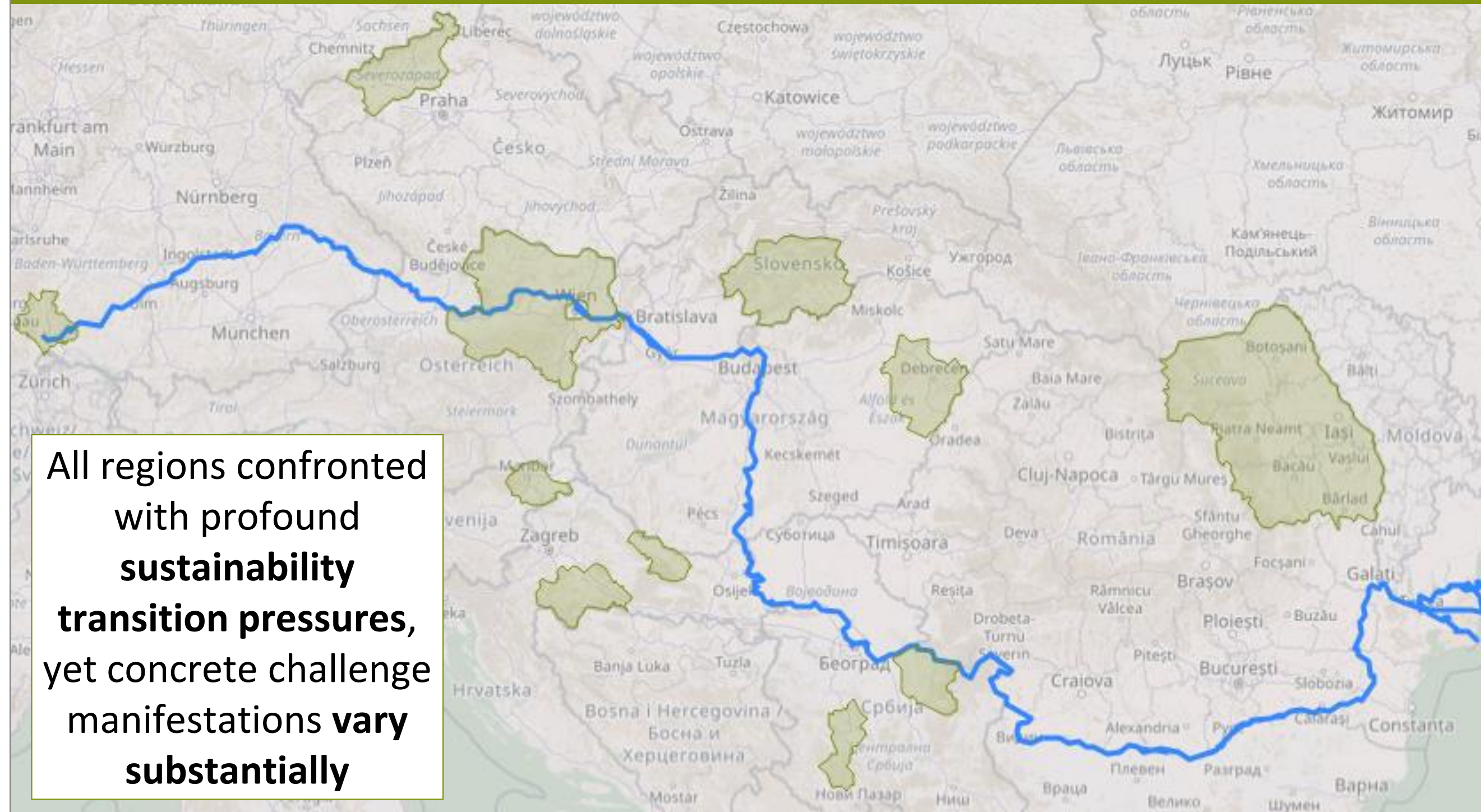
Abstract

- RIS4Danu supports place-based innovation for green and inclusive transitions in 11 regions along the Danube River.
- It ties in with and advances current debates on transformative regional innovation policy with considerations of socio-ecological challenges such as climate change, resource depletion and growing social and territorial inequality.
- In a transdisciplinary and challenge-oriented approach, the UNIVIE provides an evidence base for open discovery workshops with regional stakeholders aiming at the re-opening of 21 industrial sites. Duration: 06/2022 – 05/2024

Key literatures / concepts



The 11 selected regions within the Danube macro area



The project in pictures



Workshop with stakeholders

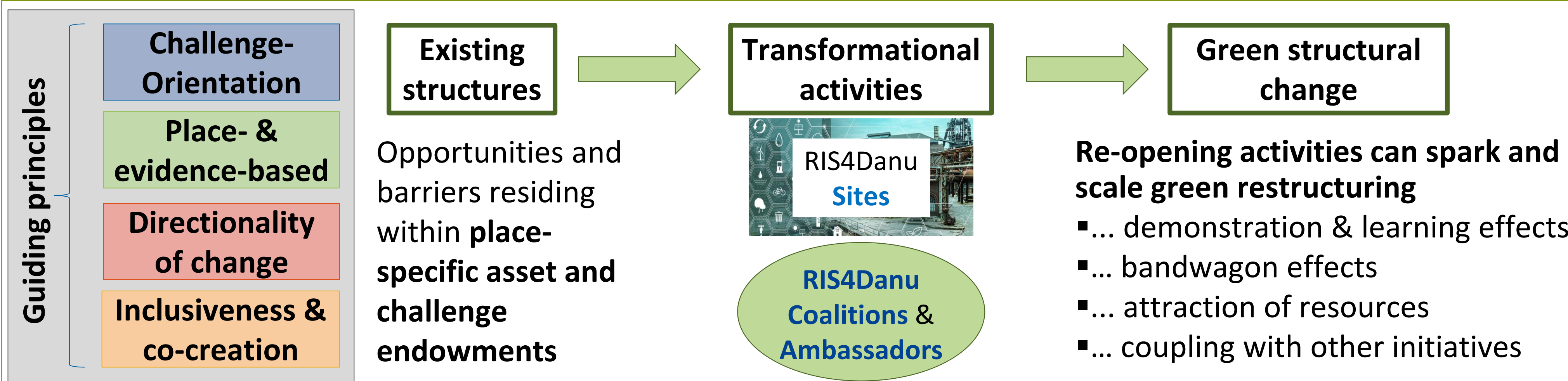


Former ceramics factory in Lower Austria

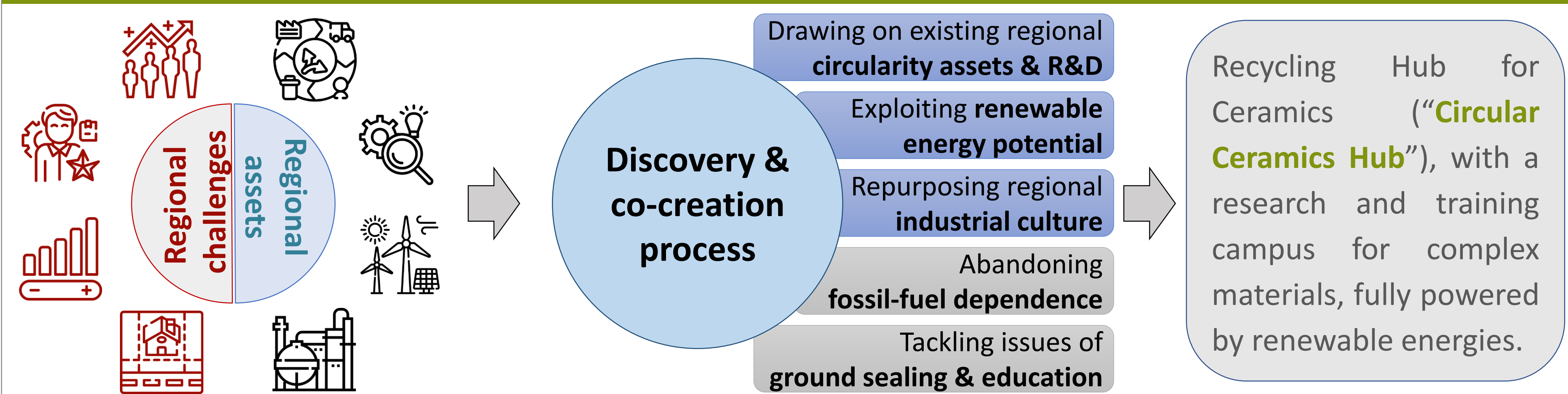


Site visit with stakeholders

Methodology



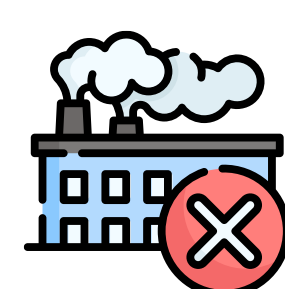
One example from Lower Austria



Conclusion: Project contributions

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Contribution to debates on the design and implementation of **transformative regional innovation policies**



Mitigation of the negative socio-economic effects of plant closure



New impetus for green transitions in disadvantaged regions

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