



Industrial symbiosis and innovation

Abolish industrial symbiosis' barriers
with the implementation of innovation

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Where is the link between
industrial symbiosis and
innovation?

How is the environmental impact
of this link?

How can we measure these
impacts?

Industrial symbiosis

- Create link between different industrial sectors
- Use waste to produce (substitute raw materials)
- Less demand for raw materials, natural resources
- Reduction of industrial water and CO₂ emission

Transform linear systems into circular ones

Linear system

Natural resources



Product



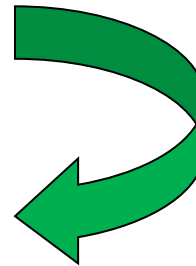
Waste → landfill

Circular system

Natural resources



Product



Waste → Recycling, processed

Products



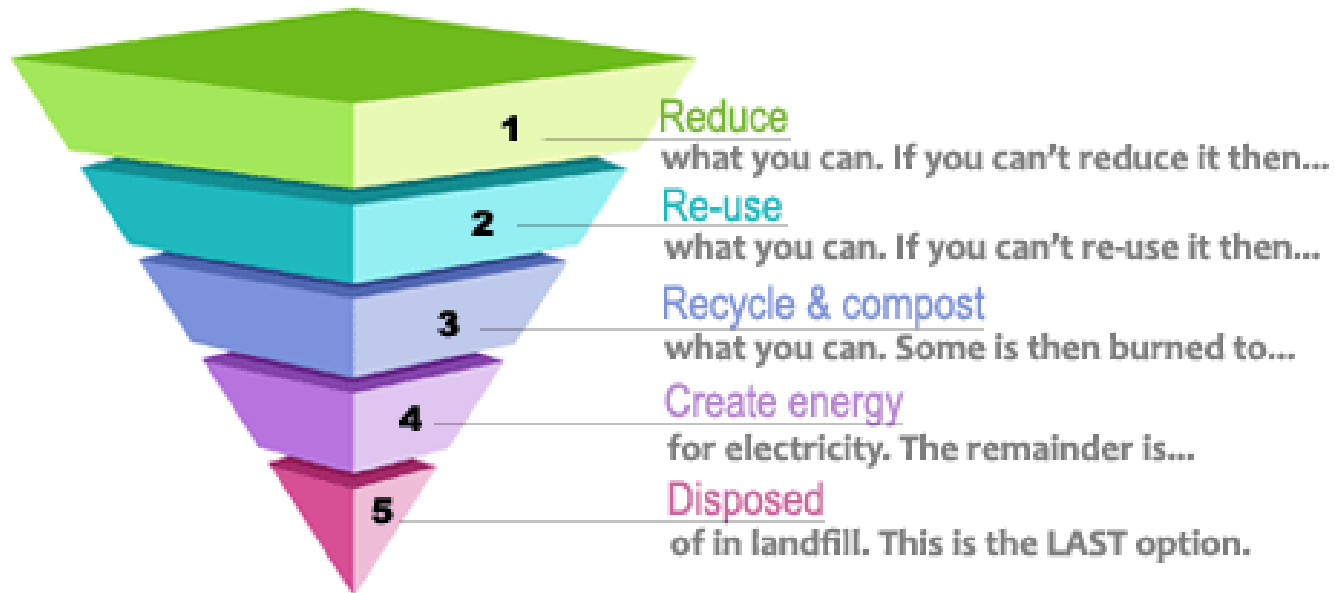
Waste → recycling



Natural resources

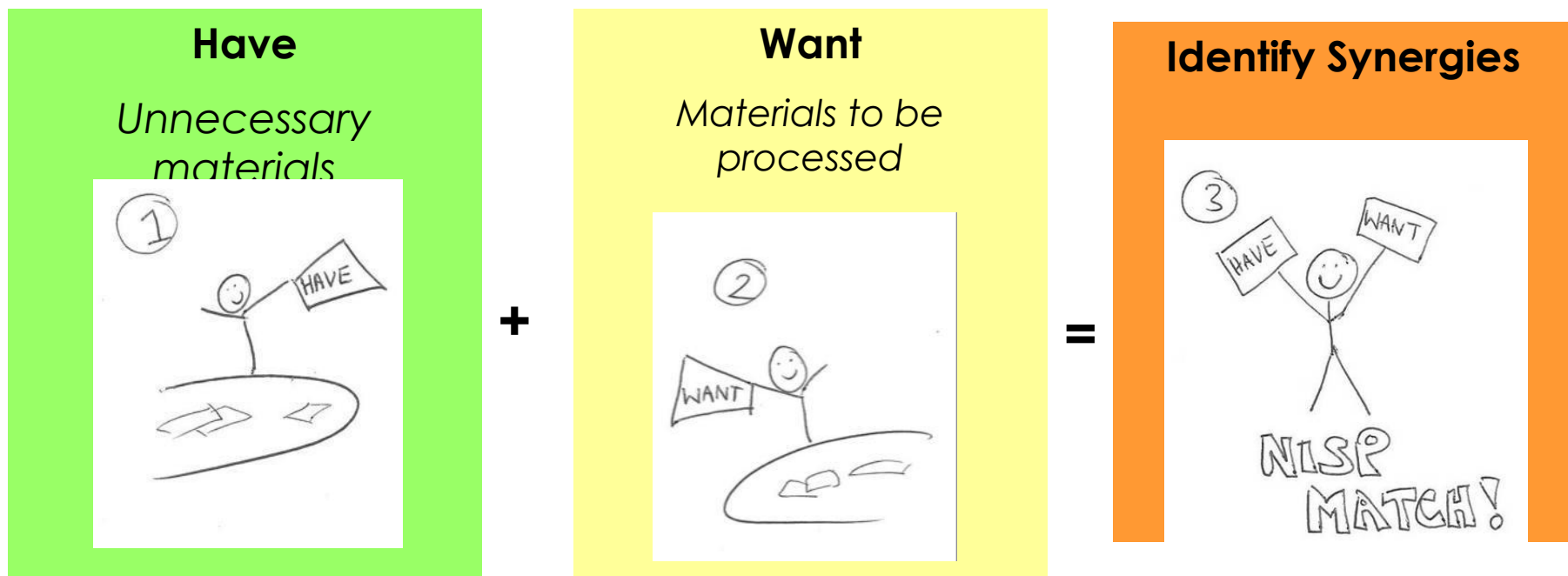
When applying industrial symbiosis methodology we try to keep waste/resources on the first ranks of the waste hierarchy (reuse, recycle or create energy).

“Higher we get on the hierarchy, **more savings** can be realised”



NISP

- Industrial dating – intermediary role
- Practitioners role, business opportunity workshops



NISP

- Assess resources in the production (input & output) – to identify synergies
- Progress synergies
- Identify synergy barriers → EUR-IS

Barrier types

- Legal
- Financial:
 - landfill cost (cheaper)
 - transport cost
 - processing cost
- Technology

Solution

- New (innovative) machine
- New (innovative) technology
- Experiences, experiments
- Science of materials – characteristics
- New (innovative) product design, implementation

Results

- Waste recycling technology creation
- Moderate demand for raw materials and for extraction of natural resources into industrial use
- Resource-efficiency

Stakeholders

- Manufacturing companies – issuing
- Recycling companies
- Universities, researchers, PhD students, innovators, R & D companies
- Funders?

Environmental impacts

- More resource being recycled
 → less resource on landfill
- Less raw materials into industry
 → more natural resources left

Environmental impacts

- Transform raw materials extracted from nature needs more energy and causes more emissions (energy, water, CO₂)
- Secondary materials are cheaper (quality requirements, standards, safety regulations, qualification)

Monitoring

- ISL – Synergie software
- Methodology DEFRA (Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs, UK)
 - Reduction in input quantity
 - Savings through the process steps
 - Reduction in landfilled quantity

(savings/carbon impacts)

Material	Embodied fossil energy (tonnes CO ₂ e saved per tonne of waste prevented)
Paper and card	2.556
Kitchen/food waste	2.428
Garden/plant waste	0.089
Wood	0.256
Textiles	19.294
Plastic (dense)	12.778
Plastic (film)	10.222
Ferrous metal	1.917
Non-ferrous metal (incl. Aluminium)	16.1
Silt/soil	0.004
Aggregate materials	0.102
Misc. combustibles	0.102
Glass	1.406
Estimated impact of materials not covered in ERM study (municipal and C&I)	2.86

Table 1: Embodied fossil energy by material (Defra, see [2])

Material	CO₂e saved per tonne of waste not landfilled (tonnes)
Paper and card	0.687
Kitchen/food waste	0.258
Garden/plant waste	0.135
Wood	0.298
Textiles	0.233
Plastic (dense)	0.01
Plastic (film)	0.01
Ferrous metal	0.01
Non-ferrous metal	0.01
Silt/soil	0.01
Aggregate materials	0.01
Misc. combustibles	0.305
Glass	0.01
Estimated impact of materials not covered in ERM study (municipal and C&I)	0.081

Table 4: Savings for landfill avoided (Defra, see [2])



EUR-IS workshop

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Thank you for your attention!

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