

The Academy for smart specialisation

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KARLSTAD UNIVERSITY



Karlstad University

- Established 1999
- University college, 1977-1999
- Branch of the University of Gothenburg, 1967-1977
- Teacher education in Karlstad since 1843
- Training for nurses since 1907
- Just over 16,000 students
- 250 doctoral students
- Around 1,250 staff members



Our mission

- Education and research in cooperation with external partners
- Work for democratisation and utilisation of research in society
- Active and responsible national and international academic participation
- Structure, focus and systematic evaluation for quality assurance and sustainable growth



Vision 2030

- ..the university must increase its focus on contributing to sustainable development through its operations



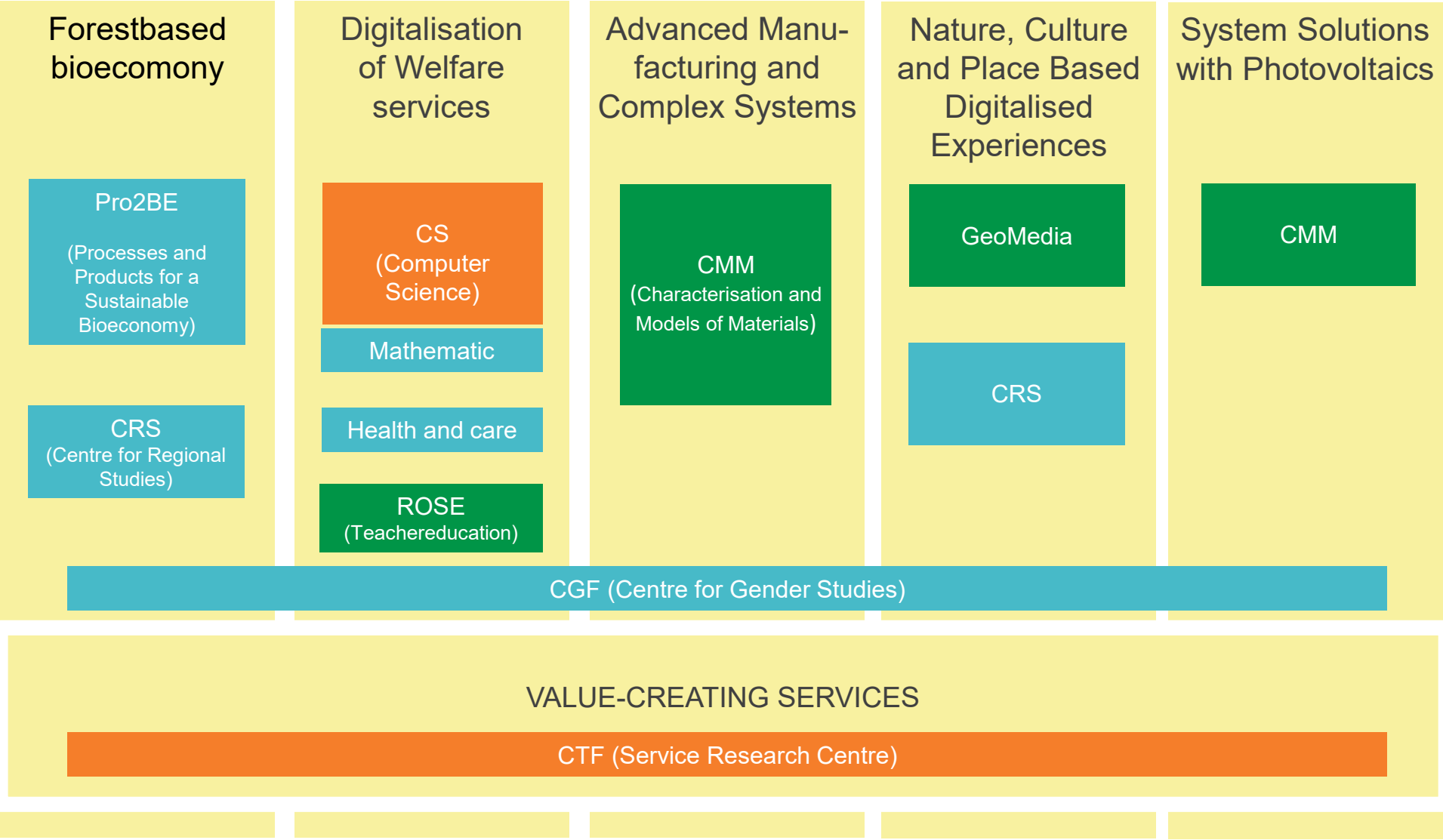
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The research and innovation agreement between Region Värmland and Karlstad University 2016 – 2020

A tool for transformation and renewal of the private and public sectors in Värmland as well as for development of research and education at Karlstad University.



Linkage between specialisations and research groups



Funding, Academy for Smart Specialisation 2016-2020

50 msek from Region Värmland

50 msek from Karlstad University

50 msek in third-party funding

Total: >150 msek

En investering för framtiden



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Organisation

- **Steering committee**, consists of senior management of both organisations, meets at least twice a year
 - decides on strategic questions and future developments
- **Working group** consists of six persons, meets monthly
 - support development of project proposals and connecting different actors
 - looks out for funding opportunities and synergies between projects
 - organise reporting routines and summarises results
 - proactively plan for communication activities and meetings
- **Experience exchange between project leaders**
 - at least 4 times a year and for different activities

Since the start of the Academy for Smart Specialisation (april-16)

- Research and innovation projects established within all smart specialisations!
- Projects established to a value of more than 150 msek!
- Establishments of new initiatives and succesful cooperation

Expectations on the research environment and on results

- Collaboration between different research groups at the university where relevant
- Applications to strengthen the collaboration
- Participation in the Academy's activities
- Development of research and education
- Regional, national and international strategic cooperation
- Policy impact supporting the specialisations
- National and international attention

For more information

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Links

- [Academy for Smart specialisation](#)
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