

# Understanding project output readiness

It is hardly ever business as usual!





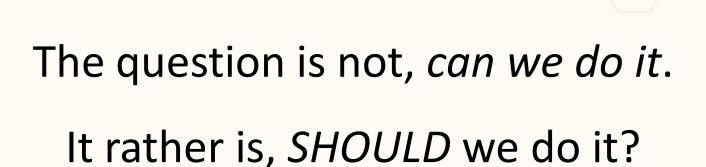
#### WHY DO YOU INNOVATE?



# After so much investment, what came out of it?

How have you stimulated new players in this space?

Pierre Chastanet, Head of unit E2, DG CNECT



Frank Bennett, Deputy Chairman Cloud Industry Forum



# Innovation for the sake of it is useless. It needs to go to market.

Dr. James Mitchell, Founder and CEO Strategic Blue



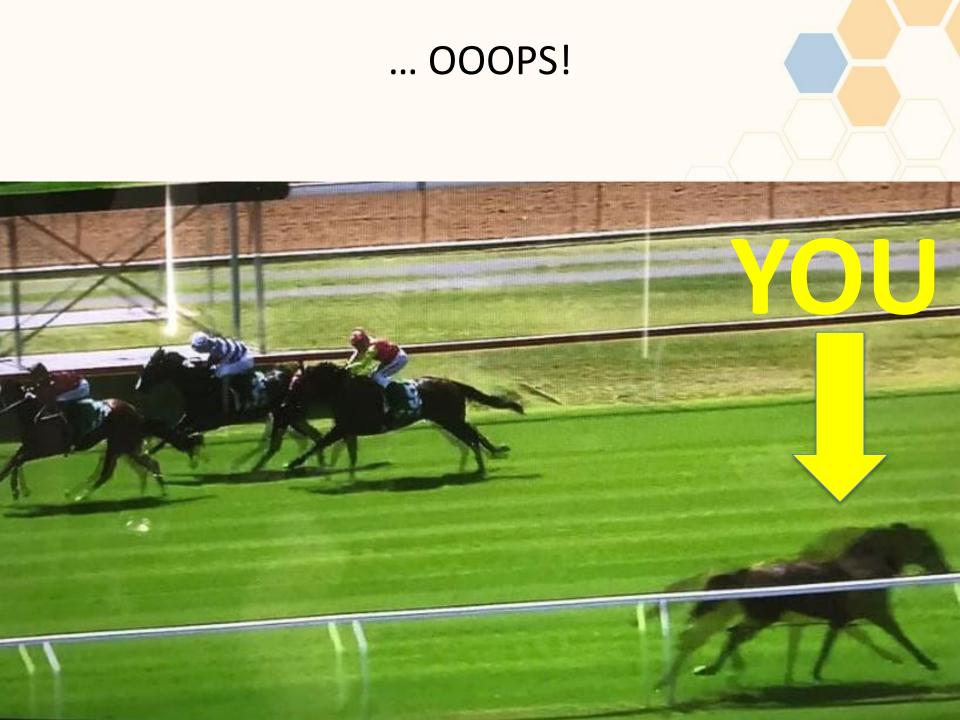
A simple case against one-dimensional progress tracking

#### TRLS ARE NOT ENOUGH

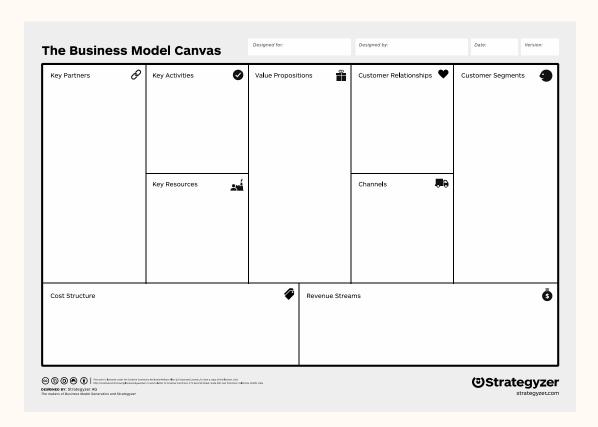


## Everything is beautiful with TRLs only





## Thinking to be done

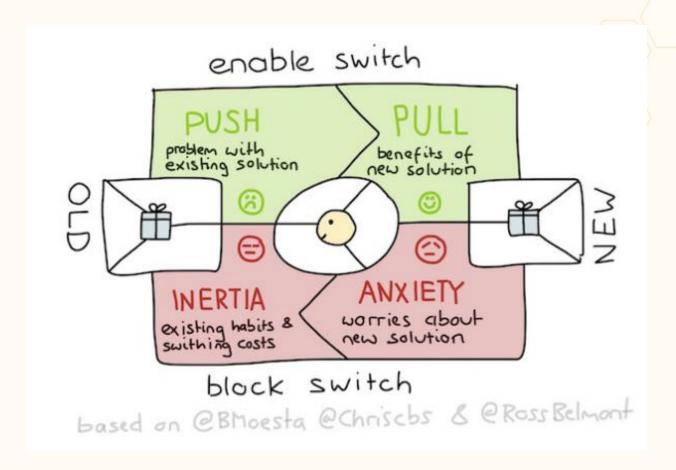




#### Act 'AS IF' from Day 1

From Project to Product to Customer

### ... and don't forget this!



Your Value Proposition!



#### **ARE YOU MARKET READY?**



#### Revisiting TRLs

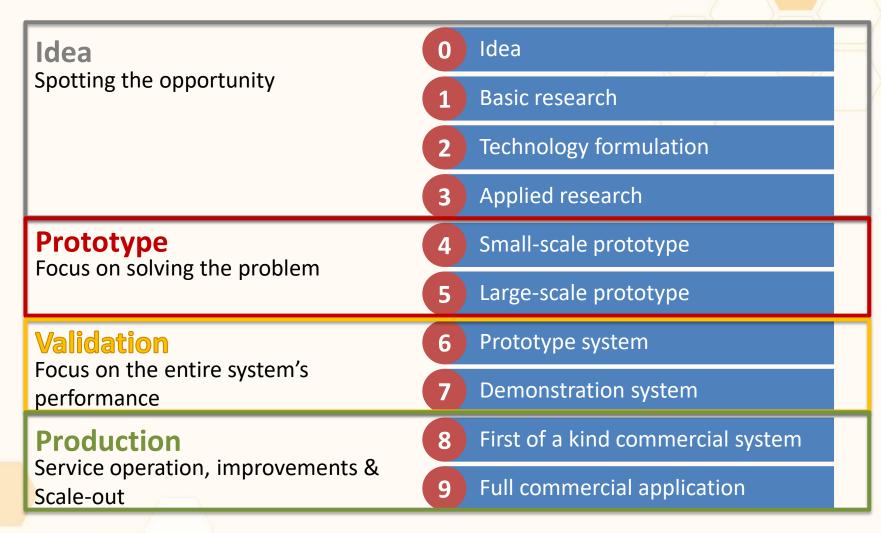
- 1 Basic principles observed
- 2 Technology concept formulated
- 3 Experimental Proof of Concept
- 4 Validated in lab
- 5 Validated in relevant environment
- 6 Demonstrated in rel. environment
- **7** Prototype in operational env.
- 8 System complete and qualified
- 9 Actual system proven in ops

- 0 Idea
- 1 Basic research
- 2 Technology formulation
- 3 Applied research
- 4 Small-scale prototype
- 5 Large-scale prototype
- 6 Prototype system
- 7 Demonstration system
- 8 First of a kind commercial system
- 9 Full commercial application

Cloudwatch2 revised definition

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#### Revisiting TRLs



Cloudwatch2 revised definition

# A second dimension: Market readiness levels

| Ideation Would it work? Is there an appetite for it?  | 0 | Hunch                              |  |
|---|---|------------------------------------|--|
|   | 1 | Basic research                     |  |
|   | 2 | Needs formulation                  |  |
|   | 3 | Needs validation                   |  |
| Testing (the market) Do customers sign-up and use it? | 4 | Small-scale stakeholder campaign   |  |
|   | 5 | Large-scale early adopter campaign |  |
| <b>Traction</b> Happy, paying customers               | 6 | Proof of traction                  |  |
|   | 7 | Proof of satisfaction              |  |
| Scaling Stable sales pipeline & Predictable growth    | 8 | Proof of scalability               |  |
|   | 9 | Proof of stability                 |  |

# Conjoin technology innovation with market preparation

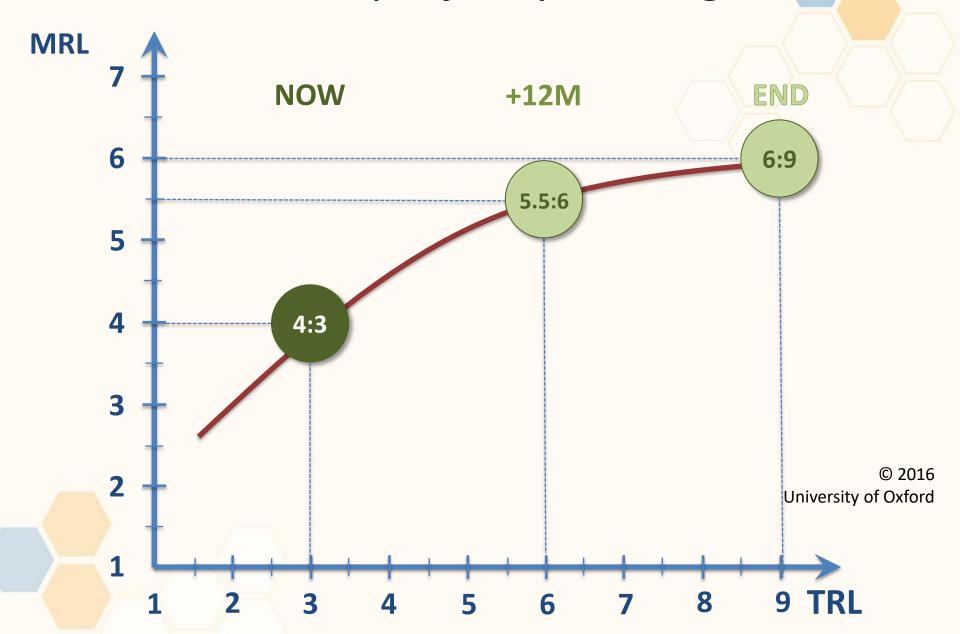
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#### **MARKET READINESS LEVELS**



## MTRL as a project planning tool



#### Examples

#### **Projects nearing market entry**

(Nov '16 - May '17)

D2.4 Mapping of EU cloud services, solutions and providers



CloudTeams (6.5:8)

Clarus (4:6)

Big Sea (4:5)

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#### Examples

#### **Early stage projects**

(Nov '16 - May '17)

D2.4 Mapping of EU cloud services, solutions and providers

WaziUp

(4:5)

COLA

(1:3.5)

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Think Cloud Services for Government,

Business & Research

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