



The urban dimension in the innovation policy: Target Area *Education and Knowledge Creation* in Boston and Cambridge

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- Education and Knowledge Creation Target Area Localization and Key Indicators;
- General Description;
- Specificity of the Target Area and significance in respect of the European contest.

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- Planning tools hierarchy from County to Urban Level;
- Innovation-oriented tools: PDA Boston | PUD Cambridge;
- Actors involved (proponents and developers, operative structure and governance).

Conclusions

- The role of innovation Spaces as expression of knowledge dynamics;
- Expected and Achieved Objectives.



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FIRST PART

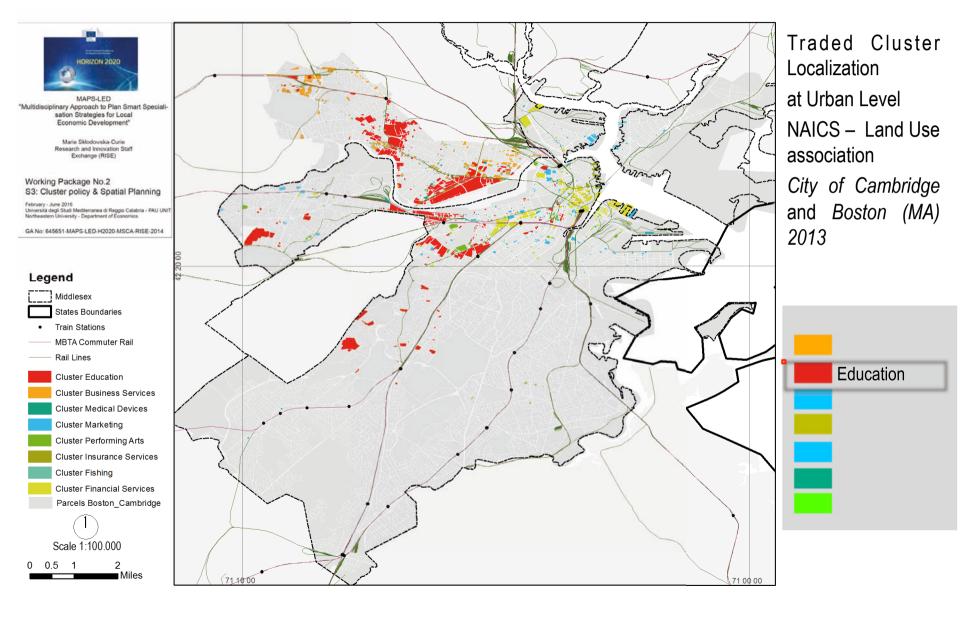
Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster Target Area Analysis



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Cluster Localization | Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster Target Area

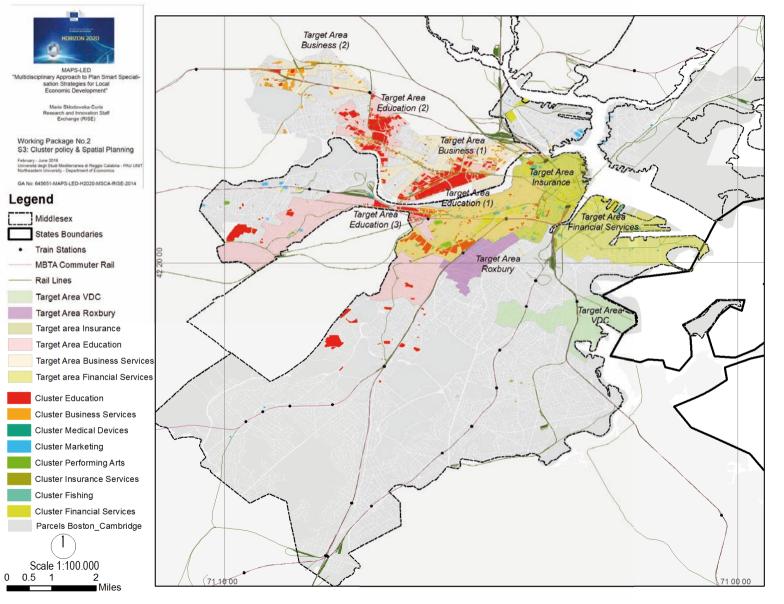




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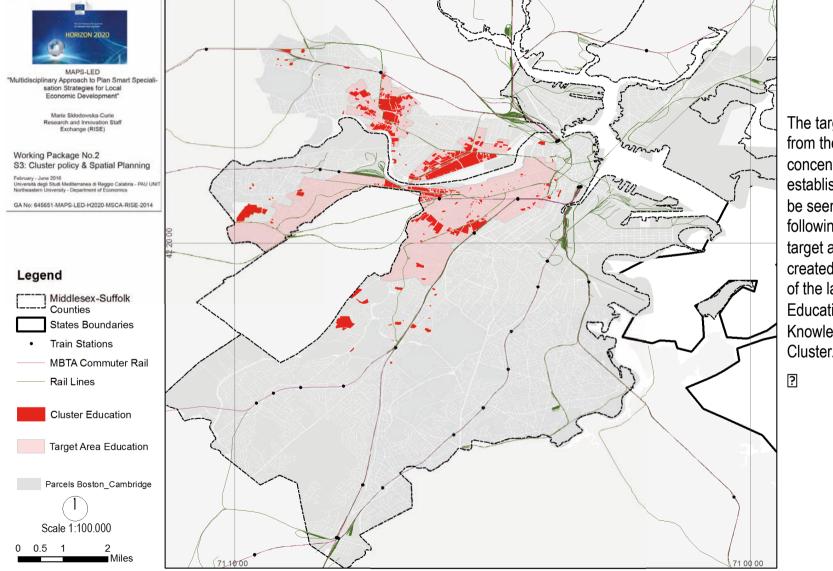
Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Overlay of Cluster Localization and Target Areas







Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Target Area Analysis



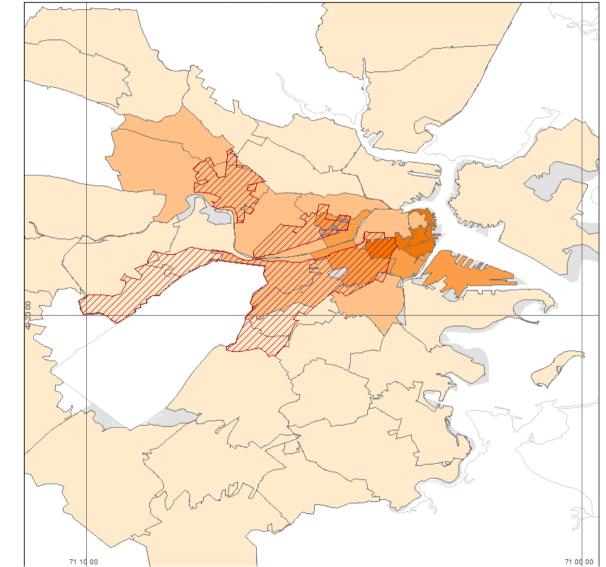
The target area emerges from the high concentration of establishment; this can be seen from the following map, where target areas have been created from the overlap of the layer of the Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster.



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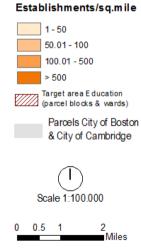


Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Target Area Analysis



The Education and Knowledge Creation Target Area is located in a very productive area, with a high density of establishments.

Legend

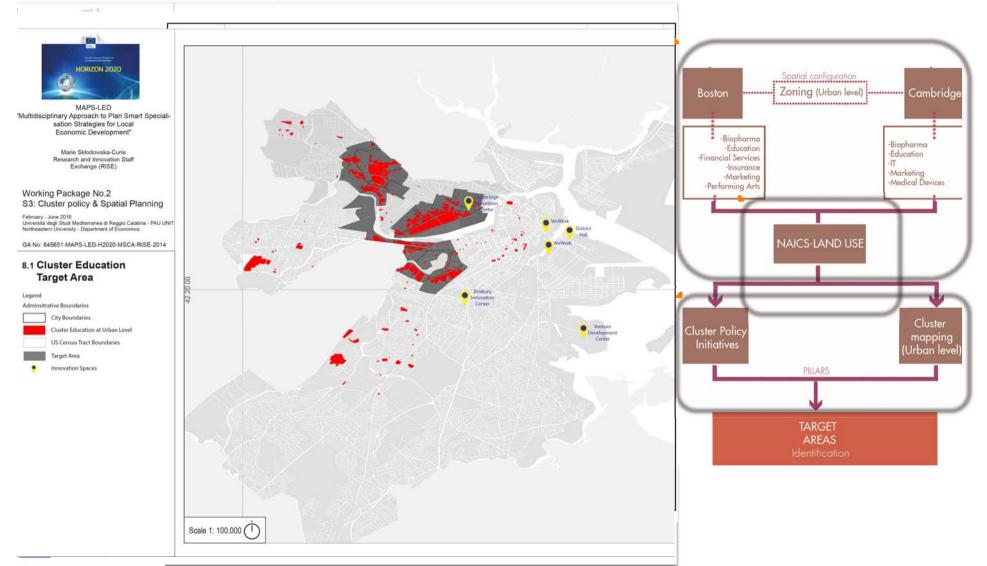




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Cluster Education Morphology at the County level, Urban Level, and Target area localization

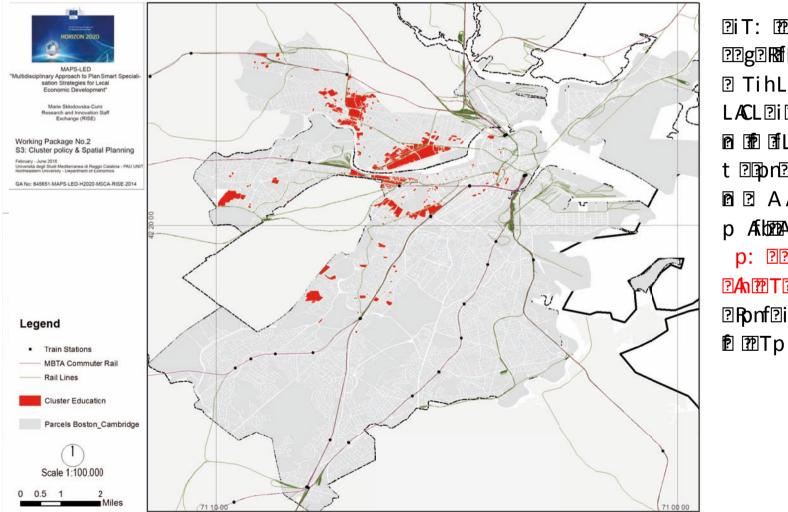




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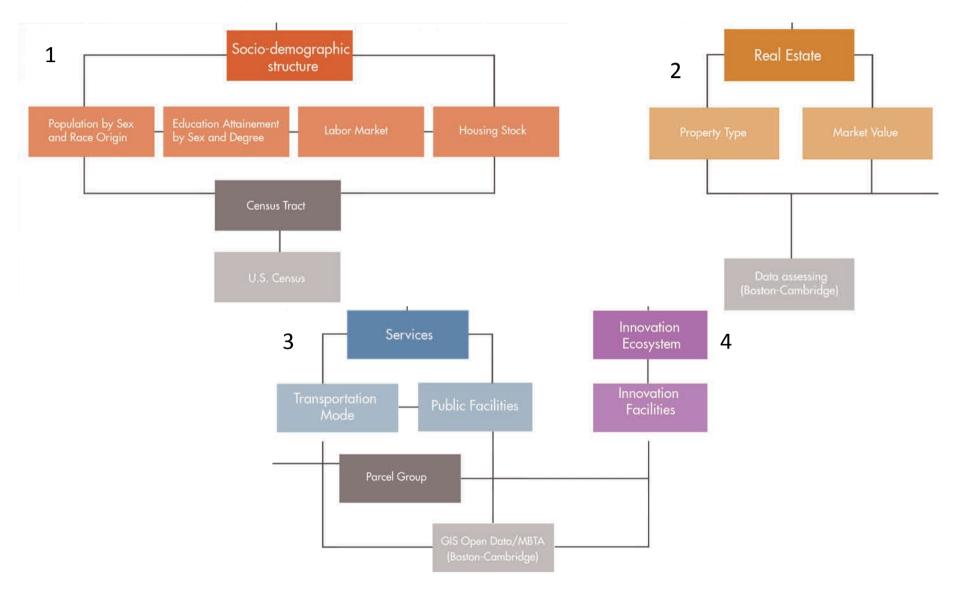




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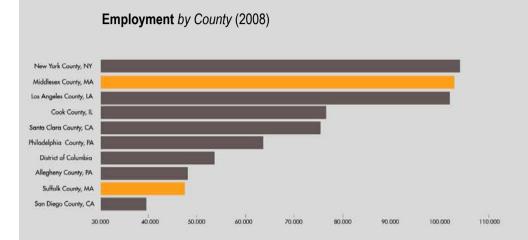
Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Survey Form



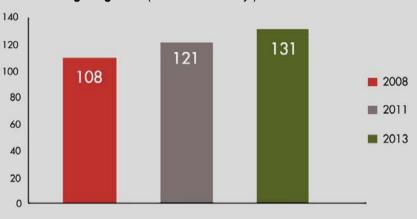




Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Employment Vs. Knowledge Creation

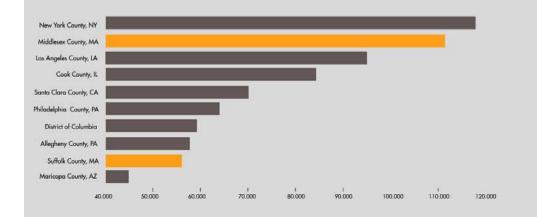


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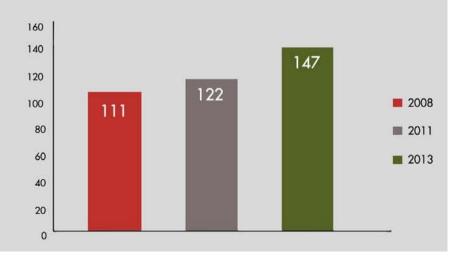


Training Programs (Middlesex County)

Employment by County (2013)



Research Institutes (Middlesex County)





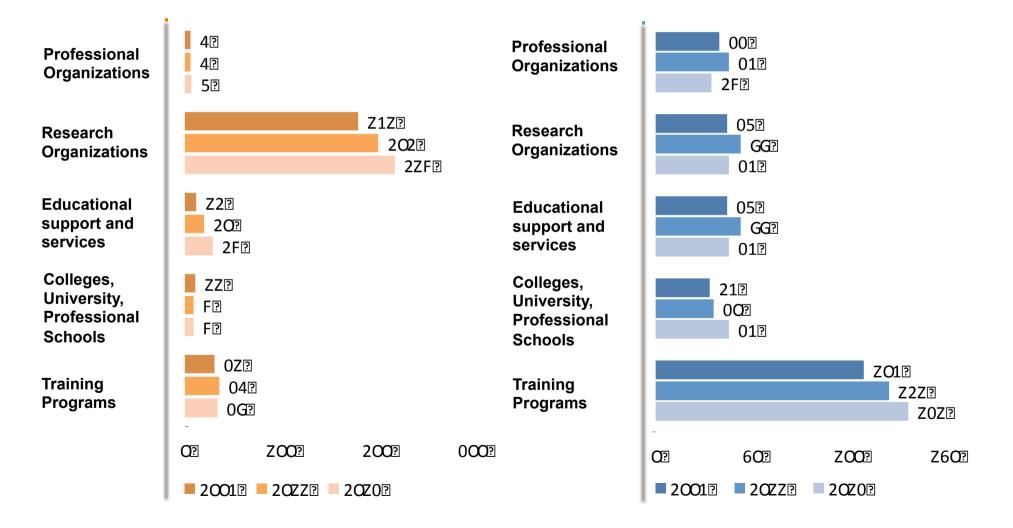
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Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | First findings on spatial oriented approach at urban level

Number of Establishments in Cambridge

Number of Establishments in Boston

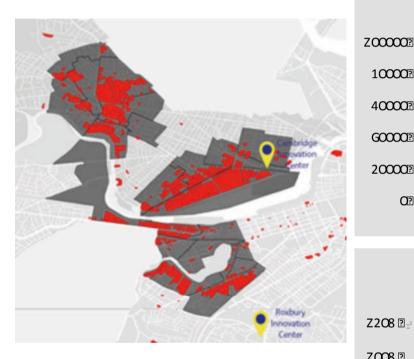




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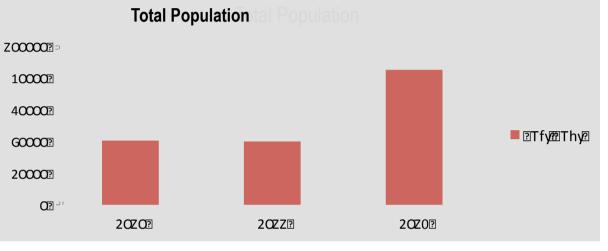


Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Socio Demographic Indicators

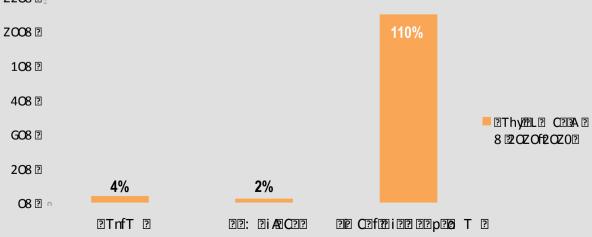


Socio-demographic indicators :

- Population
- Education attainment
- Racial Fragmentation
- Housing Costs.



Population change (2010-2013)





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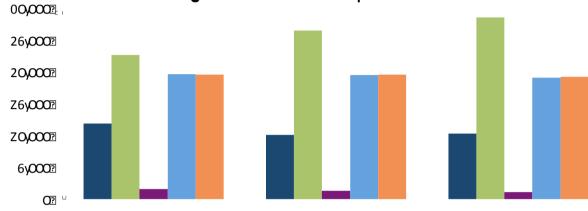


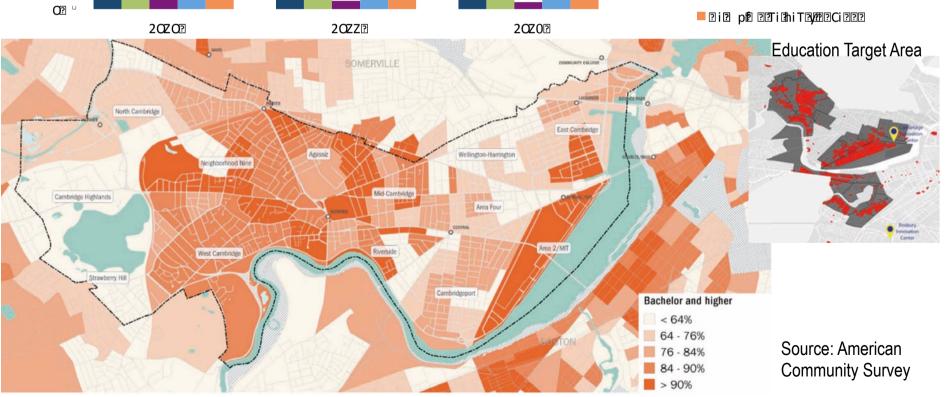
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Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Educational Attainment

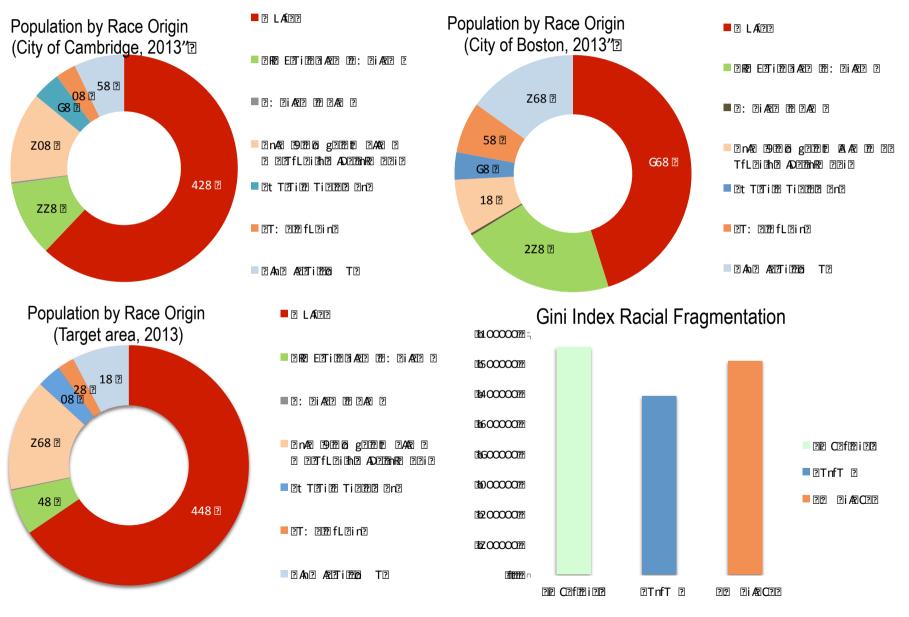








Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Key Indicators

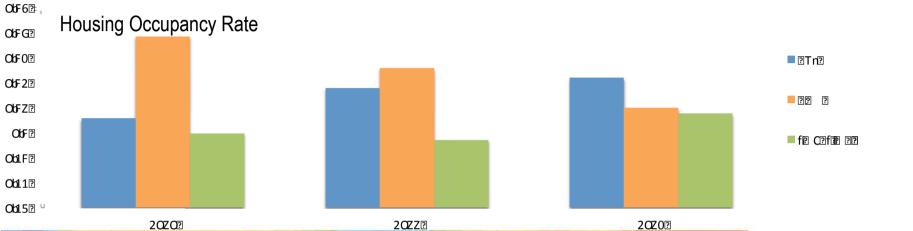




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Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Housing





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Education Cluster | Characteristics of the case study "Education and Knowledge Creation Target Area"

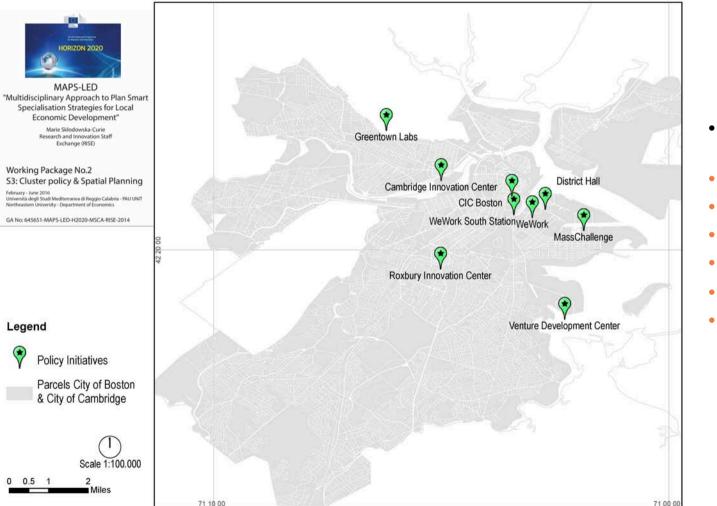
- What are the specificities of the area with respect to the MAPS LED project and that can be useful to take in consideration for the European Context?
- In this Target Area is possible to find a high concentration of startups, incubators, research institutions.
- Therefore, there is a particular focus towards innovation, research and knowledge dynamics.



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Education Cluster | Innovation District Framework



- Cluster policy innovation
- Policy initiatives
- Typology
- Description
- Year
- Total investment
- Planning initiative



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Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Cambridge Innovation Center (CIC)

CIC is a private co-working space founded in 1999 by Tim Rowe.

Vision : "Startups make the world much better. CIC can help them by setting up and managing their office for them so they can focus on their business."

Mission: "Create a powerful innovation ecosystems."



Source:cambridgecoworking.com

3 key elements:

- Proximity, as the trigger of cooperation and knowledge sharing among people;
- Culture of collaboration, as a peculiarity of the innovation environment;
- Entrepreneurs concentration, as engine of innovation.

CIC office spaces price: \$425-\$1,500/person/month. In addition CIC provides entrepreneurs with stocked kitchens, conference rooms, Internet, printing & copying, phones, high-end furniture, operational & technical support, concierge and much more. CIC hosts numerous events every week that draws members from across the startup community to CIC.

More than 1400 companies have chosen CIC as their home and many have gone on to prove their value to the world as startups. Currently CIC **houses over 800 companies**, most of them startups. **CIC attracted more than 1.8 B venture capitals funds.**

SECOND PHASE

Innovation Policy and Tools





Education and Knowledge Creation Cluster | Planning hierarchies in the target area

Metropolitan Area Planning (promotes smart growth and regional collaboration)

> City Comprehensive Plan (Implements the Zoning)

> > PDAs/ PUDs & other tools (EDAs, NDAs..)

We focus on PDAs/PUDs because they are the Regulatory Processes by means of which are promoted new developments into the cities of Boston and Cambridge.

PDA: "An overlay zoning district which may be established under Article 80 where a development that is well-suited to its location cannot be accommodated by the general zoning for the area. For example, a PDA may be appropriate where a development involves a large building, a cluster of buildings, or a mix of uses."

The Planned Unit Development (PUD): zoning designation intended to create a built environment superior to that which is accomplished through conventional zoning districts. This is achieved by allowing the PUD rezoning applicant to propose the uses, development standards, and design guidelines for a site, and by doing so, entering into a collaborative review process.



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Cambridge Innovation Center | Urban Management Tools: PUD Cambridge

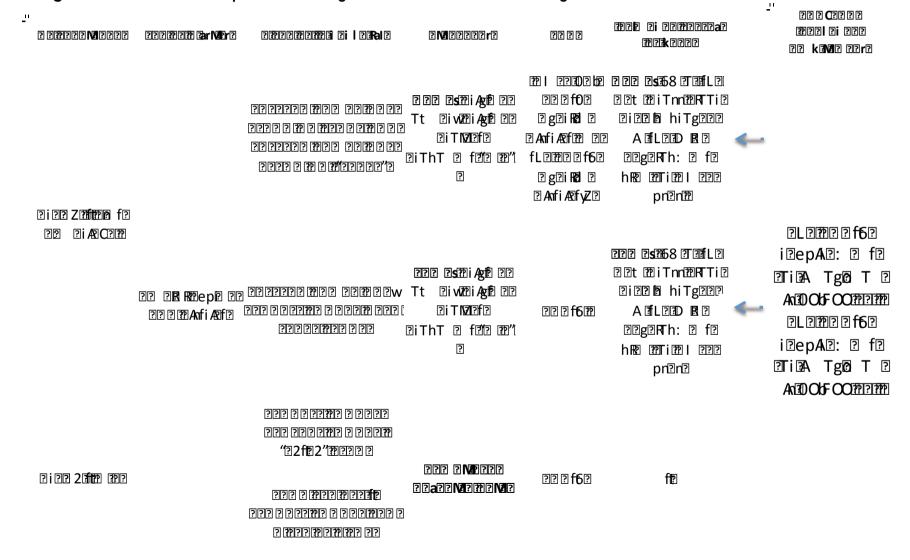
Case Study(s)	Planning Initiative (s)	Typology	Description	Year (s)	Мар
	EASTERN CAMBRIDGE PLANNING STUDY AND EASTERN CAMBRIDGE REZONING (ECAPS)	Community Planning	The ECAPS is a planning effort undertaken by a committee of residents, representatives of institutions and businesses, and City staff working with a team of planning consultants to create a vision for future development in the eastern portion of Cambridge. The planning process resulted in goals for future economic development, housing, transportation, urban design and open space in those areas, and led to a rezoning of certain districts (adopted by the City Council in 2001) and the establishment of a set of urban design guidelines to inform future project review. <i>While the Eastern Cambridge Planning Study (ECaPS) was completed in 2001, it is relevant to the more recent Kendall Square/Central Square Study (K2C2). In many ways, the K2C2 study provides an updated planning vision for portions of the ECaPS area.</i>	1999 -2001	Est Cambridge Planning Study Ares Carlos Manatores
	EASTERN CAMBRIDGE/ KENDALL SQUARE OPEN SPACE STUDY	Open Space Planning	The Eastern Cambridge Kendall Square open space study is a unique opportunity to plan and implement a vision for the entire open space network in Kendall Square and vicinity. In order to further promote creativity and innovative ideas during this exciting process, the Community Development Department sponsored a planning and design competition to develop a comprehensive open space plan for the area. The competition attracted a wide range of planning and design firms and encouraged new thinking regarding not only open space design but also the overall public realm, connections, programming, and place making.	2015 -2016	The second s
	KENDALL SQUARE CENTRAL SQUARE (K2- C2) PLAN	Comprehensive Community Planning	The K2C2 Plan is a comprehensive planning study to develop a vision for the future growth of Central Square, Kendall Square, and the area South of Main Street (including the Osborn Triangle) connecting the two squares. In addition to developing a vision for the study area, the process has formulated recommendations including specific actionable steps to achieve the vision.	2011 -2013	Bandy Bandy
	ECODISTRICTS - KENDALL SQUARE ECO DISTRICT PILOT	Sustainable Development	EcoDistricts are a comprehensive strategy to accelerate sustainable development at the neighborhood scale by integrating building and infrastructure projects with community and individual action. The EcoDistrict framework brings together public and private partners to innovate sustainable neighborhoods of the future. Such communities will be based on a vision of resilience, vitality, the efficient use of resources and social equity. An EcoDistrict is governed by a group of neighborhood stakeholders who are invested in making their neighborhood more sustainable through collective action. Improvements to the neighborhood might include anything from creating district energy systems to hosting community events to planting trees to improving safety at street crossings.	2013	



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Cambridge Innovation Center | Urban Management Tools: PUD Cambridge





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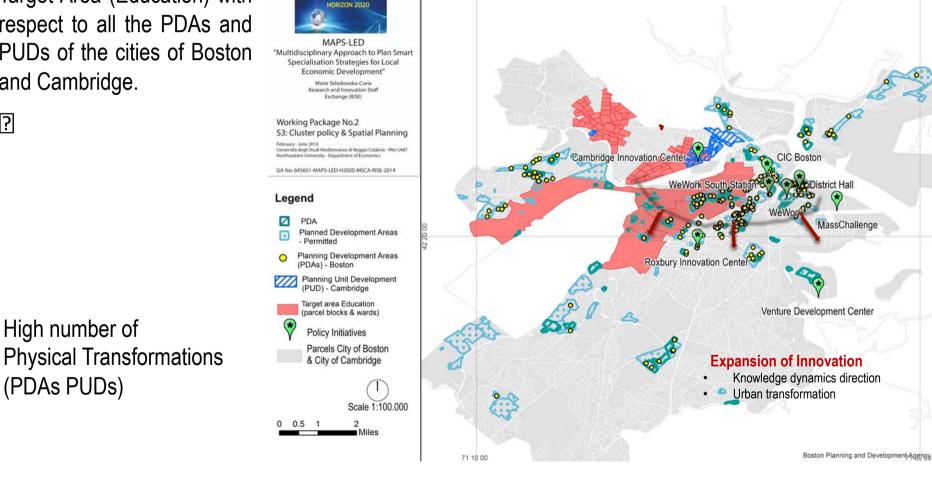
Cambridge Innovation Center | Target Area PDA and PUD

Localization of the specific Target Area (Education) with respect to all the PDAs and PUDs of the cities of Boston and Cambridge.

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High number of

(PDAs PUDs)

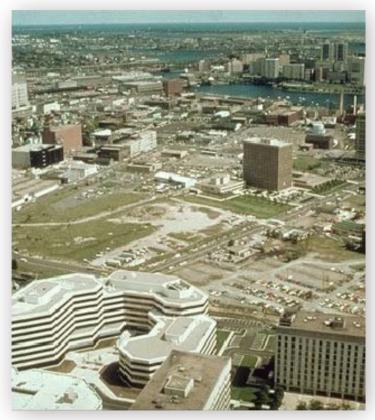




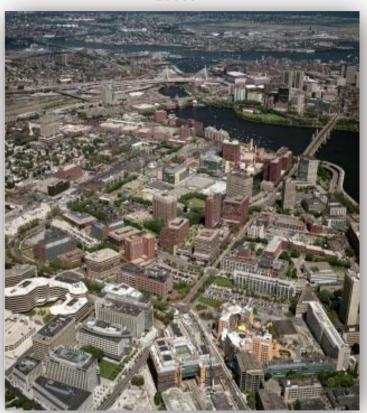
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Cambridge Innovation Center | Knowledge-intensive policies leading to Urban transformation 1970s 2000s



 The Area of Kendall Square has historically undergone dramatic transformation:
from former manufacturing-based area to a highly growing Innovation ecosystem.



 Knowledge-intensive policies are key to the transformation of the urban environment.





Cambridge Innovation Center | Knowledge-intensive policies leading to Urban transformation

2000s

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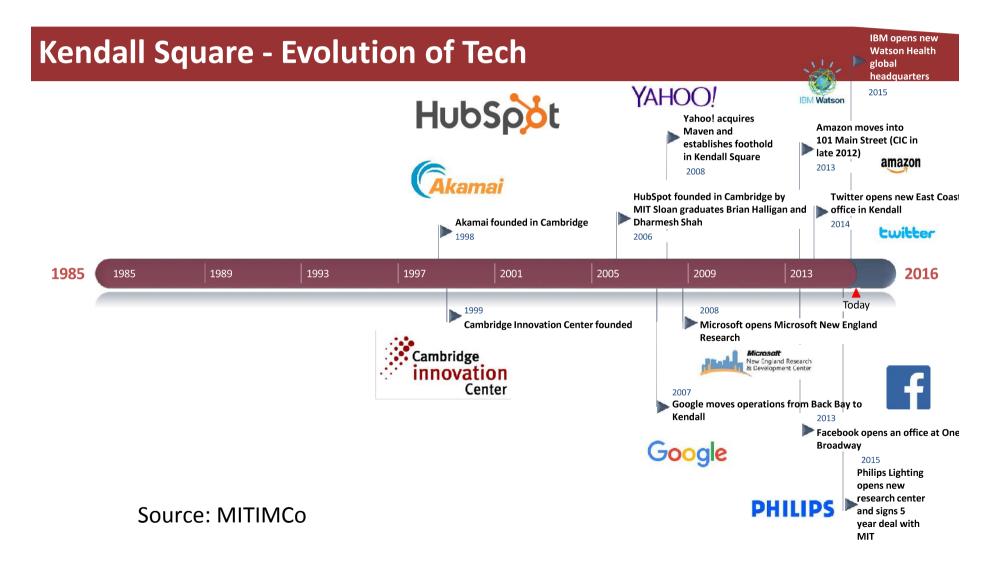


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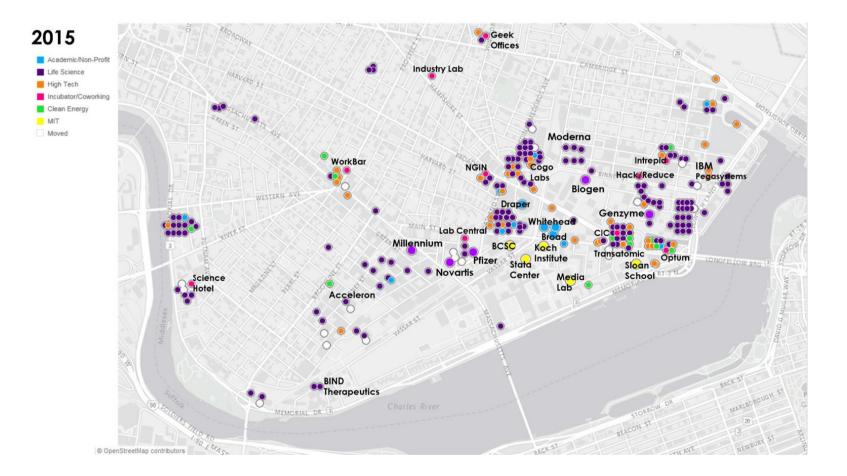
Cambridge Innovation Center | Knowledge-intensive policies leading to Urban transformation







Cambridge Innovation Center | Knowledge-intensive policies leading to Urban transformation



Source: MITIMCo





Cambridge Innovation Center | Expected and achieved Objectives.

- Through The target area analysis of the MAPS-LED project, it emerged the role of PDAs and PUDs (Urban Planning Tools).
- They can be considered as tools related to Urban Regeneration process representing the on-going transformations in the area, locally acting in the direction of the knowledge dynamics.





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