



U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

## E Kamakani Noi'i: Wind that Seeks Knowledge Competing in the 21st Century: Building 21<sup>st</sup> Century Economy

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# Unprecedented Challenges Unprecedented Opportunities





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Key Characteristics	20 <sup>th</sup> Century Economic Development	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Economic Development
Focus	Domestic competition; Zero sum game	Global competition & collaboration; Positive sum game
Goal	Growth of jobs	Increasing productivity & per capita income; Growth of jobs
Approach	Incentives to attract or retain cost-driven firms & industries	Investments in talent & infrastructure to support innovation-driven clusters
Role of Economic Development Practitioners	Lead industry attraction and marketing efforts to firms & industries	Broker innovation networks, connecting inventors, financiers, & transformers, to produce results
Performance Metrics	Quantity of jobs, number of firms attracted/retained	Quality of jobs, wage and income growth, innovation



## Regional Clusters

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High-Performance Framework  
for Advancing Regional Prosperity

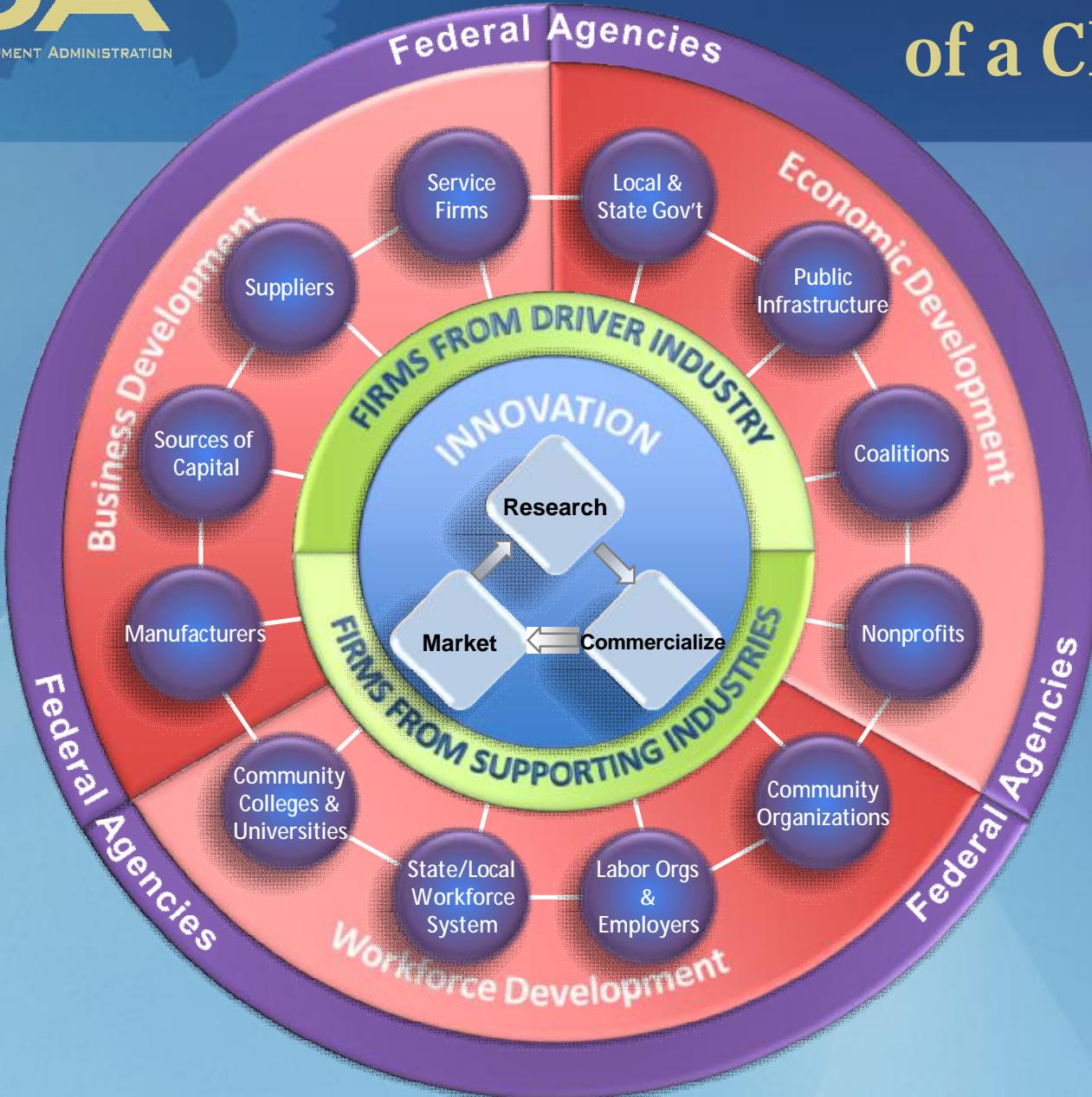




## Defining Regional Clusters

A regional cluster is a geographically-bounded, active network of similar, synergistic or complementary organizations in a sector or industry that leverages the region's unique competitive strengths to create jobs and broaden prosperity.

## The Anatomy of a Cluster

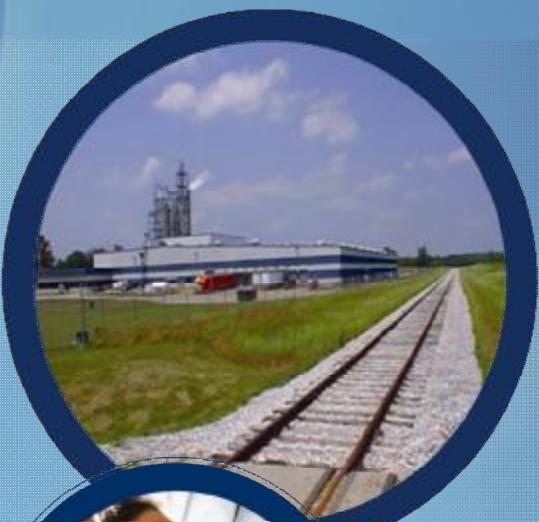




## Cluster Development Best Practices

- Regional leadership
- Customized cluster development
- Strong partnerships
- Commitment to collaboration
- Understanding of markets in their context
- Self-sustainability





## Clusters Drive High ROI

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- Create Jobs
- Cultivate Business Formation
- Foster Competitiveness
- Increase Innovation
- Spur Commercialization



*"If the recession has taught us anything, it's that we cannot go back to an economy that's driven by too much spending, too much borrowing, running up credit cards, taking out a lot of home equity loans, paper profits that are built on financial speculation. We've got to rebuild on a new and stronger foundation for economic growth."*

-President Barack Obama





## The Federal Role

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- Advance Common Framework
- Support Self-Identified, Locally-Driven Initiatives
- Convene Stakeholders
- Invest Smarter





## EDA Mission

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To lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy.





## EDA's Role: Jobs and Innovation Partnership

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- Spur Job Creation
- Foster Vibrant Regional Economies
- Encourage Business Creation/Expansion





## EDA Investment Priorities

- Collaborative Regional Innovation
- Public/Private Partnerships
- National Strategic Priorities
- Global Competitiveness
- Environmentally-Sustainable Development
- Economically Distressed and Underserved Communities

## Programs Supporting 21<sup>st</sup> Century Economic Development



Economic  
Adjustment



Global  
Competitiveness



Sustainable Economic  
Development



Research &  
Evaluation



21<sup>st</sup> Century  
Infrastructure



Planning



Technical Assistance



Recovery Support  
Function



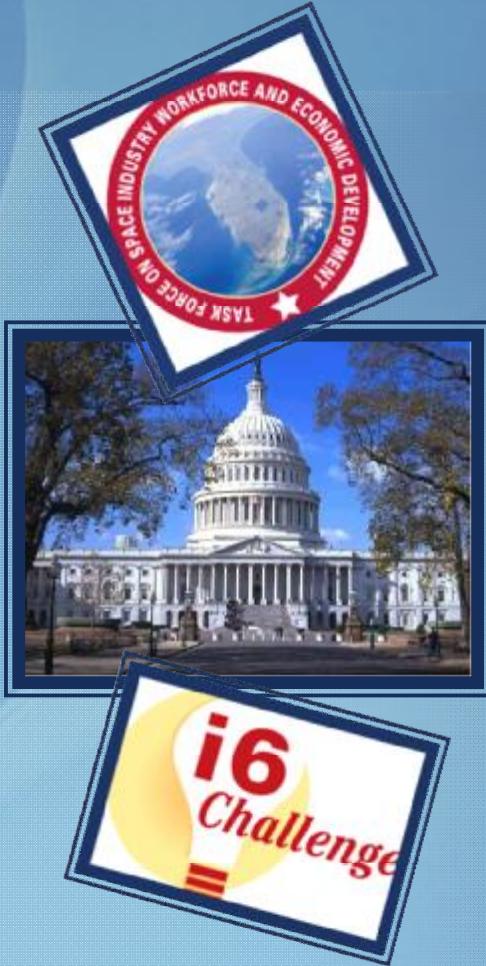
Trade Adjustment  
Assistance



## EDA Cluster Initiatives

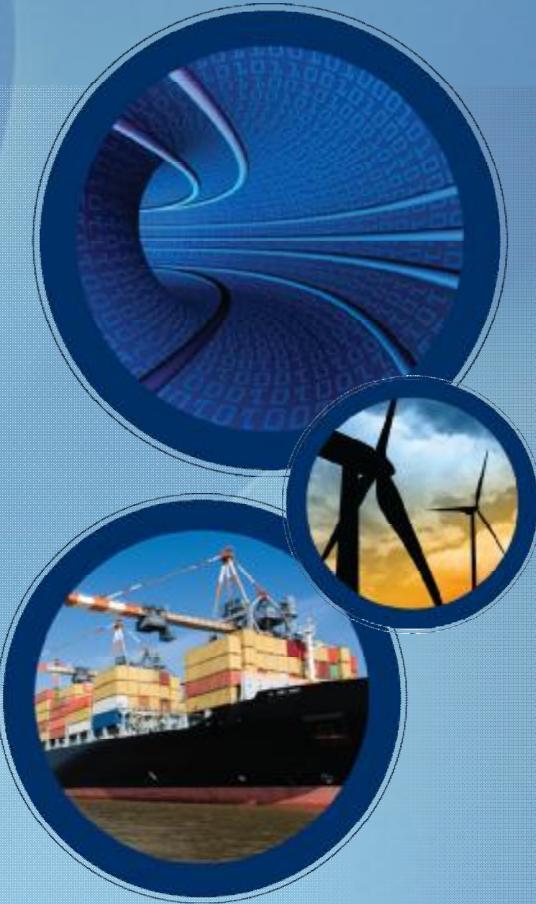
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- Taskforce on Advancing Regional Innovation Clusters (TARIC)
- Regional Innovation Acceleration Network (RIAN)
- National geospatial cluster mapping initiative
- Registry of organized cluster partnerships
- Urban RIC pilot project
- Regional Entrepreneurship Action Plans



## Collaboration with Federal Partners

- Task Force on Advancing Regional Innovation Clusters
- Task Force on Space Industry Workforce and Economic Development
- Energy Regional Innovation Cluster Competition
- National Incident Command
- White House Council on Auto Communities and Workers
- Pollutec International Trade Mission
- CommerceConnect
- i6 Challenge



## EDA Invests in Hawaii's Ecosystem

- EDA invested \$19.5M between 2006 and 2010 in Hawaii
- \$3M in **state of Hawaii** to renovate a downtown Honolulu warehouse to create an import/export small business incubator
- \$3 M in **Maui Economic Development Board** to construct a Renewable Energy Resource Center in Kihei
- \$300K to **High Tech Development Corporation** for business start-up assistance





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## Duluth, MN Aviation Cluster



- EDA \$3.45M investment (2001)
- Targeted investment in hard and soft infrastructure to support cluster needs
- Significant leverage of private capital – Cirrus Aircraft has grown from an early stage business to 1,000+ employees

## Northeast Ohio Advanced Energy



- EDA \$300K investment (2010)
- Regional innovation strategy
- Recovery and long-term growth – leveraging region's traditional strengths in auto industry to build tomorrow's energy economy*



## Gainesville, FL Innovation Hub

- EDA \$8.2M investment (2010)
- Accelerating public-private partnerships and commercialization of research
- *Jobs and Innovation* – creating high-wage jobs immediately and investing in long-term innovation assets



## Flanders, Northern Belgium

- Institute for the Promotion of Innovation by Science and Technology (non-profit)
- \$300 million annual budget
- Attracted significant private investment – Leuven University region now among European leaders in R&D spending per employee (\$7,011 USD)

## Hong Kong, China



- Government invested *\$1 billion* to create Hong Kong Science & Technology Park
- 250 companies, 20 buildings, 330,000 sq meter facility on 22 hectares land area
- Information Technology, Electronics, Green Technology, Biotechnology, and Precision Engineering

## Brazil



### An Innovation Call To Arms: Brazil's Option For Science Education

A nationwide plan to enfranchise all citizens through education will allow Brazil to reach its full potential

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Less than a quarter of a century after emerging from a military dictatorship, Brazilians have built a stable and vibrant democracy in which more than 80 million voters freely decide the future of their beloved country in each and every election. Lately, by becoming a world leader in food production, spearheading the search for biofuels as a new source of renewable energy and seeking ways to grow its economy while still protecting its unique natural ecosystems, Brazil has started to address a broad range of difficult and unavoidable issues that currently challenge most developing nations worldwide.

- Innovation is a national priority
- Strategically focusing on the talent pipeline – \$550M spent to create 226 technology schools in last 8 years
- Significant results – incubators up from 150 in 2001 to 423 in 2008; R&D spending and scientific research articles tripled



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