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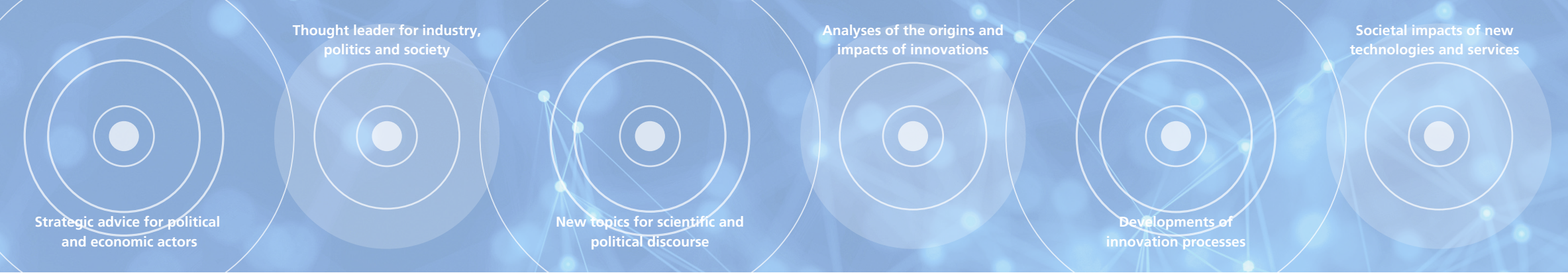
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THINK TANK INNOVATION

As a think tank for innovation research, the Fraunhofer Institute for Systems and Innovation Research ISI provides systems oriented policy advice, analyzes the framework conditions for innovations, and shapes future paths of development.

Our expertise is based on the synergy between the technical, economic and social science knowledge of our researchers. We apply a wide range of scientific theories, models, methods and measurement instruments to identify the potentials for and possible barriers to innovations.

Our assessments of the potentials and limitations of technical, organizational and institutional innovations help decision-makers in industry, academia and politics with strategic agenda setting. In this way, we can make an important contribution to developing solutions that help to address the social, ecological and economic Grand Challenges.

OUR COMPETENCE CENTERS

Our interdisciplinary perspective means we can offer our clients a wide range of services that are bundled in seven Competence Centers (CC):

❖ Energy Policy and Energy Markets

We work on the political and institutional framework for a sustainable energy system and the intensive utilization of renewable energy sources.

❖ Energy Technology and Energy Systems

We explore new technologies for a sustainable energy system and the efficient use of energy to cover demand in a resource-conserving way.

❖ Foresight

We develop and support Foresight processes in industry, policy and society. With the help of horizon scanning, participatory and discursive formats, we encourage the exploration of alternative futures.

❖ Innovation and Knowledge Economy

We analyze the conditions for innovations and their impacts from the level of individual companies up to national innovation systems.

❖ Sustainability and Infrastructure Systems

We explore the conditions for transforming entire systems into ones based on sustainable development.

❖ Emerging Technologies

We work on the identification, evaluation and design of developments in emerging technologies and socio-technical transformations.

❖ Policy and Society

We examine the role of policy and governance for the development and use of innovations on all system levels, and generate the knowledge needed to shape socio-technical transformations.