

The status quo is not an option

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“Europe – what is its phone number?”

Henry Kissinger, 1970

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Instead of suggesting an unwanted homogeneity, Europe should insist on the richness of its persistent diversity. ... Instead of national identity usurped by Euro-bureaucracy, “the European” should be presented as an extended identity, additional space that enables each culture to reinvent itself in a new framework.

Renier de Graaf and Rem Koolhaas, 2002

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THE CULTURAL SCAN EXERCISE 2009



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„WHAT IF?“

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What if we are about to experience a revolutionary change that will bring new challenges to mobile researchers?

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*What if we experience a renaissance of
social innovation?*

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Will we be ready to act?

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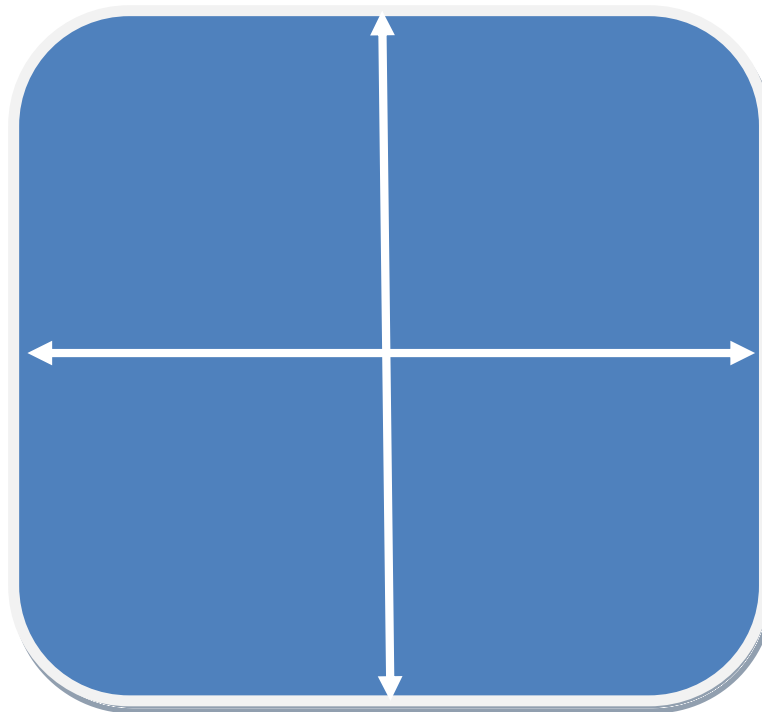
Two groups each working on one focal issue:

What will be the range of needs of the EU grant-making community in 2025?

As public funding is a catalyst and private capital is needed to organise research and institutions to deliver solutions, what will success look like for EURAXESS in 15 years?

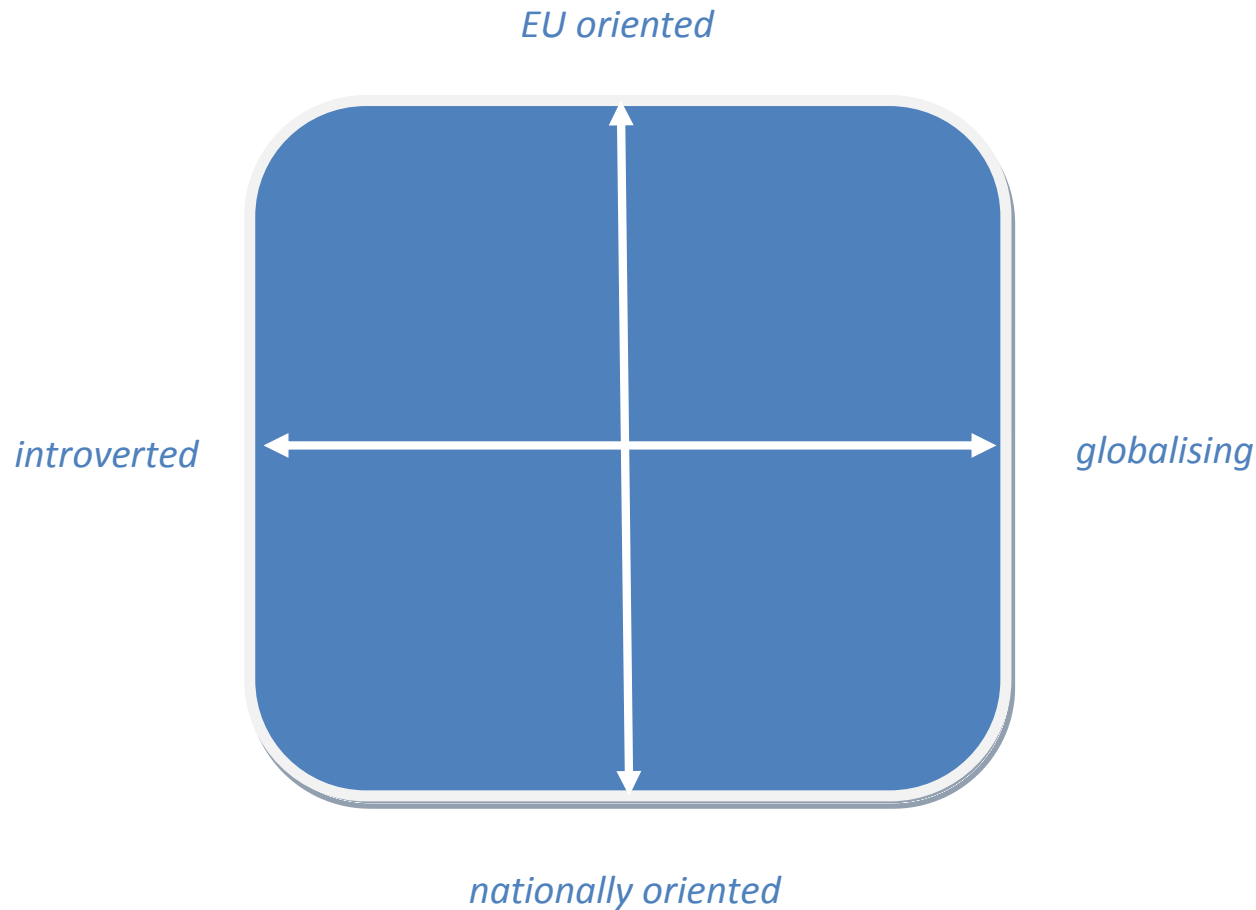
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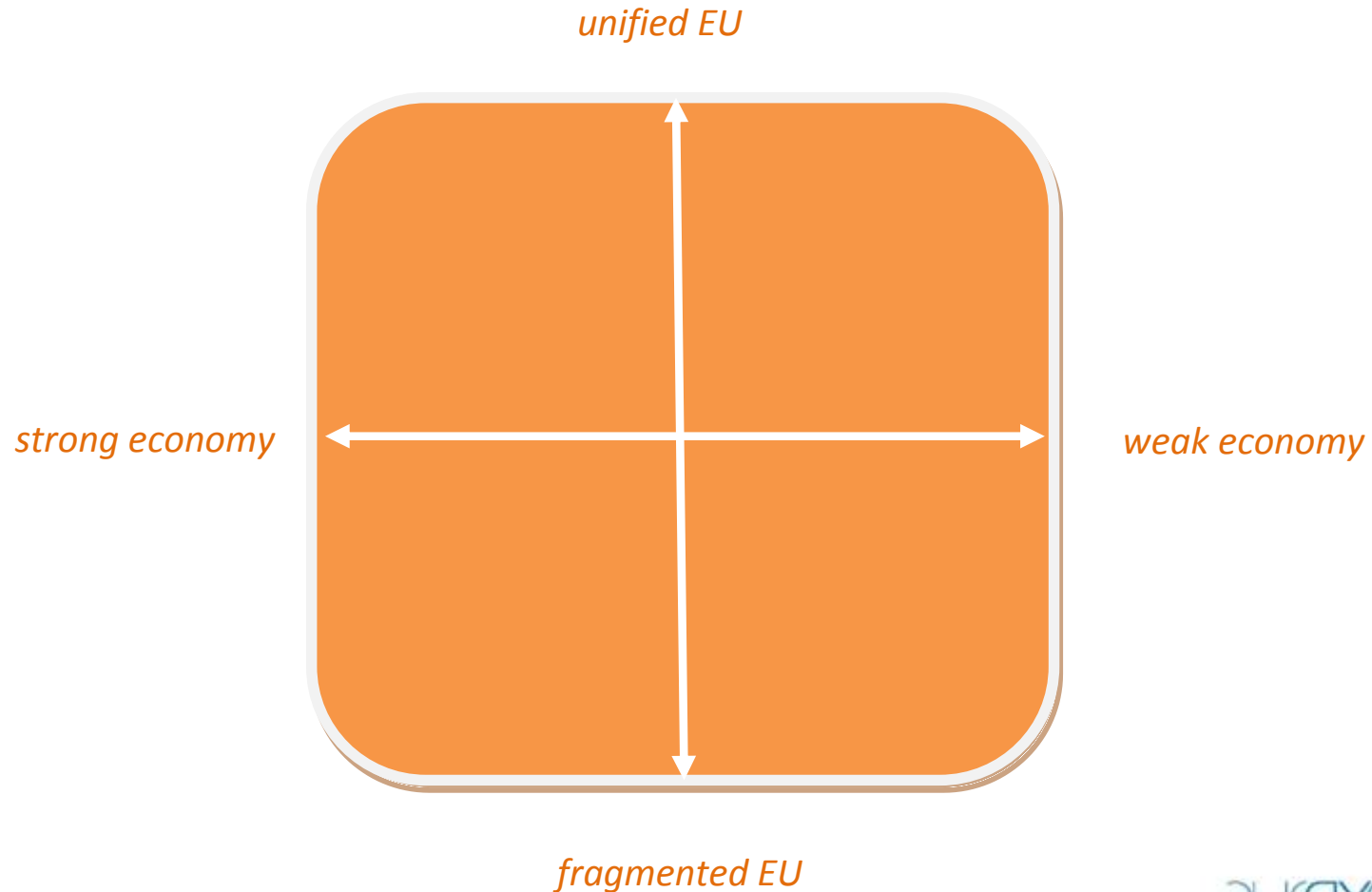
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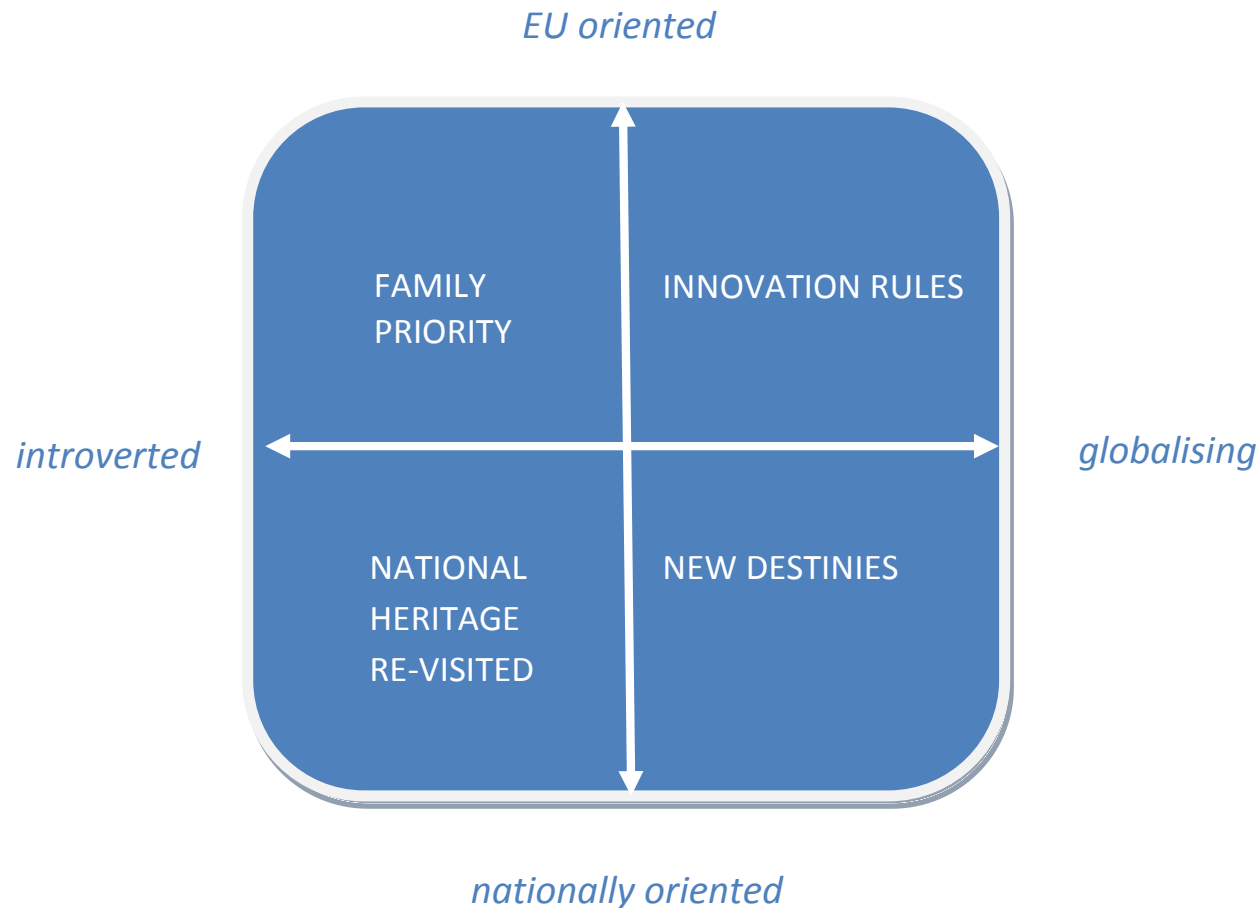
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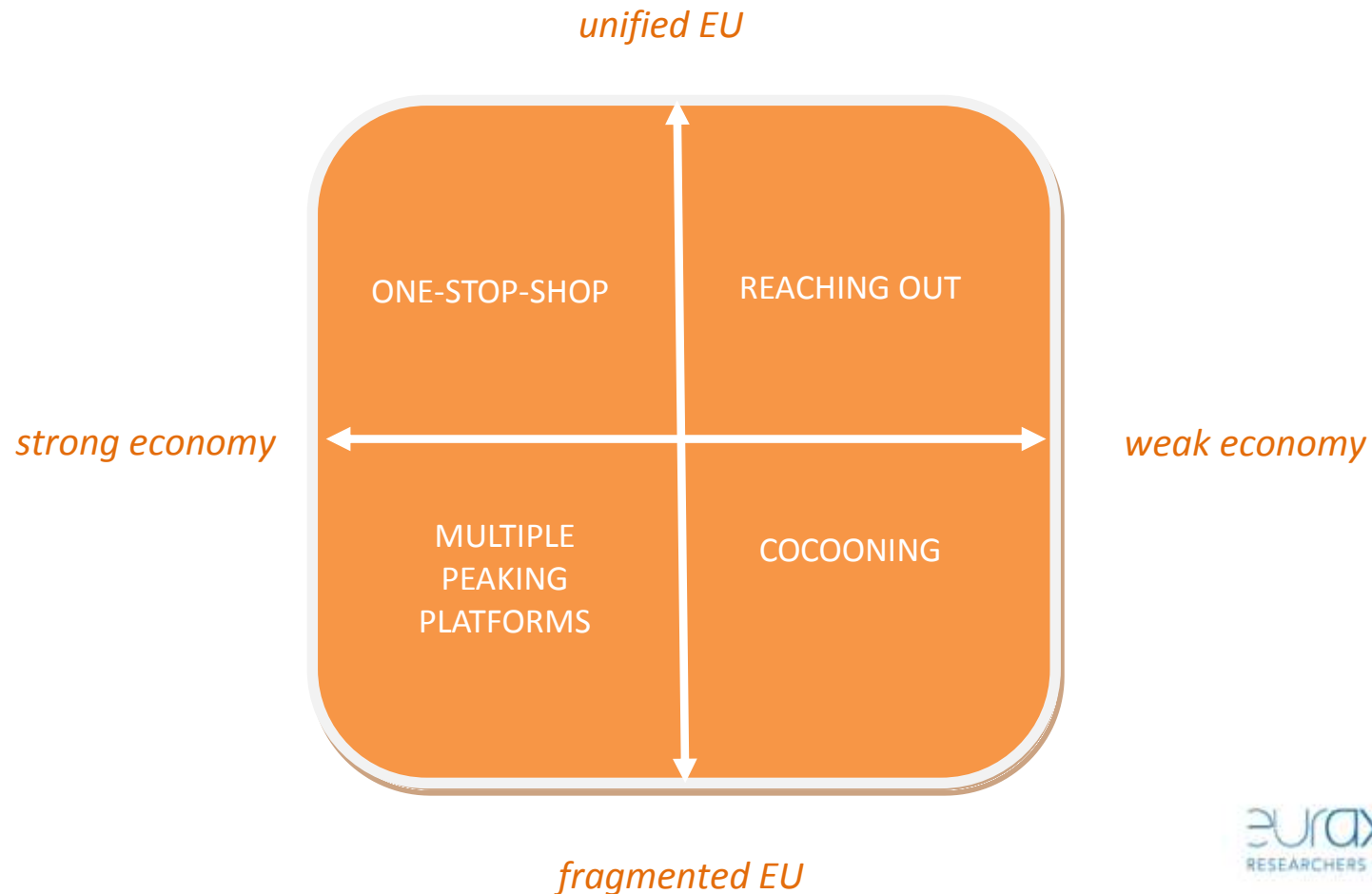
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Scenario Thinking

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So what would you do, if each scenario were reality?

Don't wait for perfection – launch and learn!

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TAKE ACTION

EU level: Don't invade, connect

- ✓ *More funding schemes for 3rd countries*
- ✓ *Stronger commitment to non-EU-members*
- ✓ *European directive to be directly translated into national law*

... To host a dialogue that gets all sides talking in order to create a continuous loop: listen respond, act.

Scenario Thinking: Take Action

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EURAXESS level: Provide options

- ✓ *Adapt services to elder generations*
- ✓ *Increase multilateral collaborations*
- ✓ *Increase inter-sectorial mobility*
- ✓ *Attract more Asian researchers*
- ✓ *Increase focus on Russia*

... It is easy to get demoralised on the route to significant change, which leads to passivity, inertia and blame. EURAXESS needs to enable researchers to climb into the front seat and take control of their journey.

Scenario Thinking: Take Action

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