

Brainport Eindhoven — A Triple-Helix Regional Innovation Ecosystem

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Quality score: 71/100

Evidence strength: Strong

Summary

After Philips and DAF cut thousands of jobs in the early 1990s, Eindhoven's government, industry and university leaders built a formal triple-helix partnership. The region now hosts 5,000+ tech firms, generates up to 36% of Dutch high-tech exports, and depends heavily on ASML.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	3/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	3/3
Sustainability / continuity	2/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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