

# Towards a digital learning hub: Upgrading the university LMS «StudyNet»

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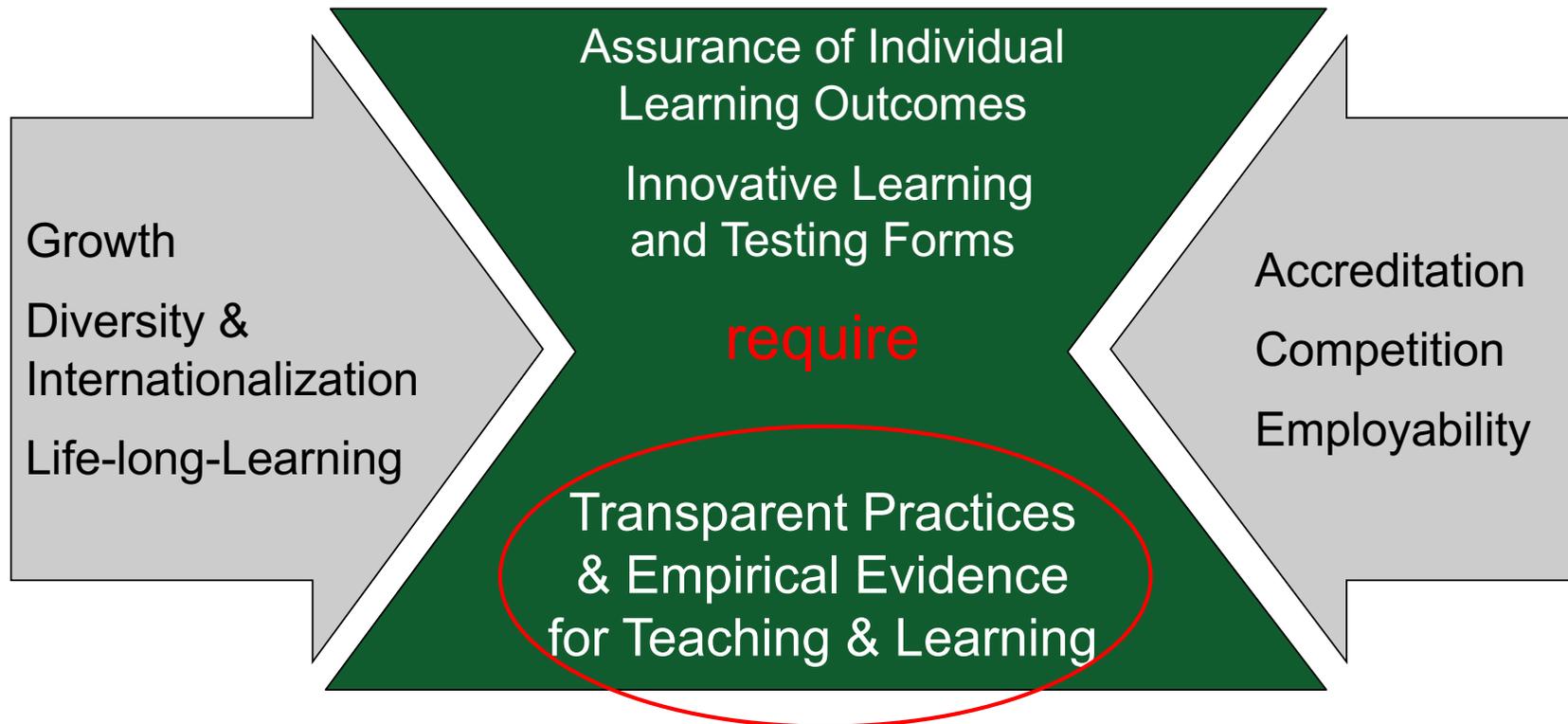
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# Higher Education Institutions are increasingly responsible for facilitating student success and optimal learning outcomes.

## EXTERNAL PRESSURES ON HEI TEACHING & LEARNING STRATEGY



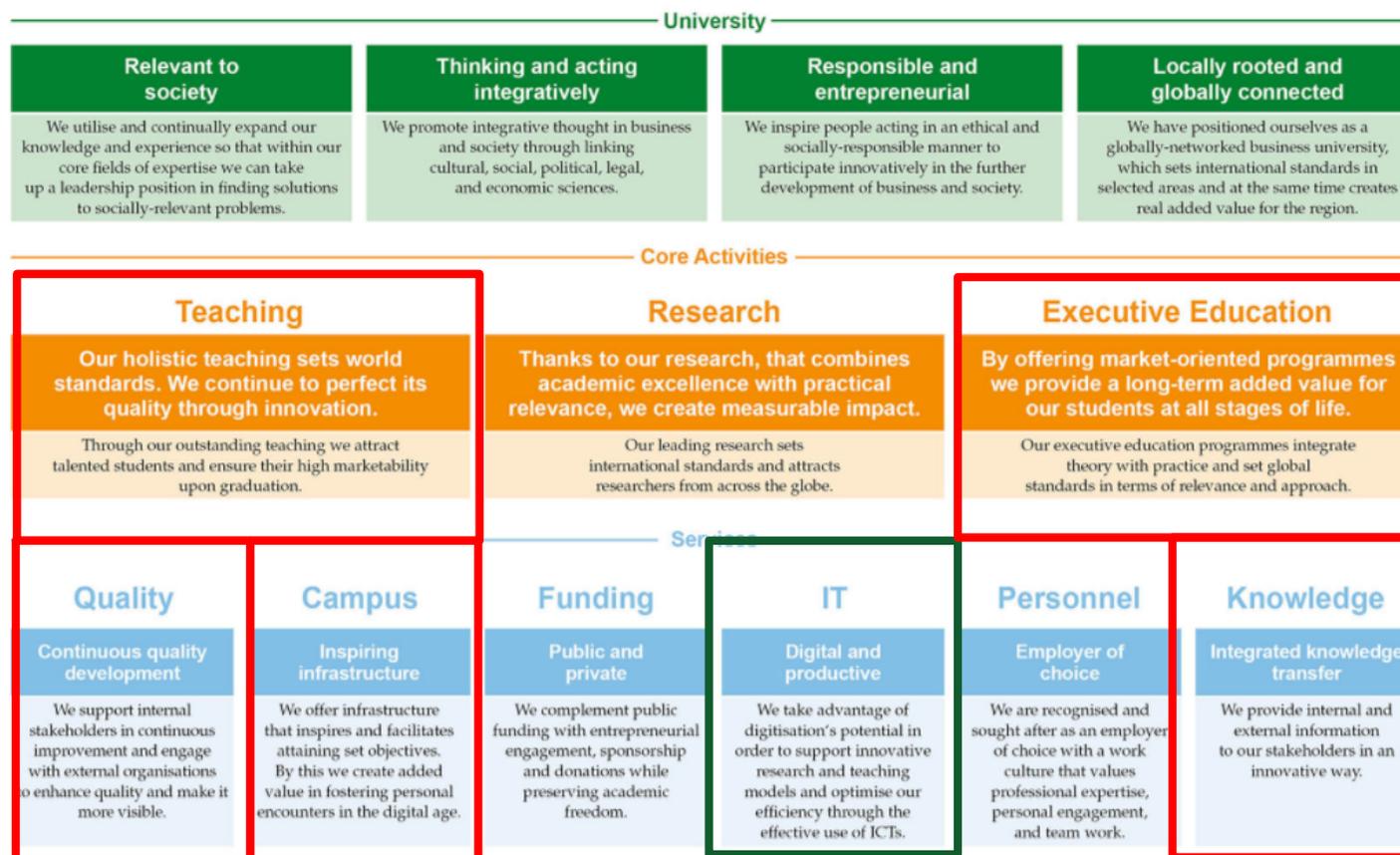
*Learning technologies contribute to quality assurance.*

# In addition to digital infrastructure & services („IT“), HEI must invest in technology-supported Teaching and Learning („TSL“)

## HSG VISION 2025

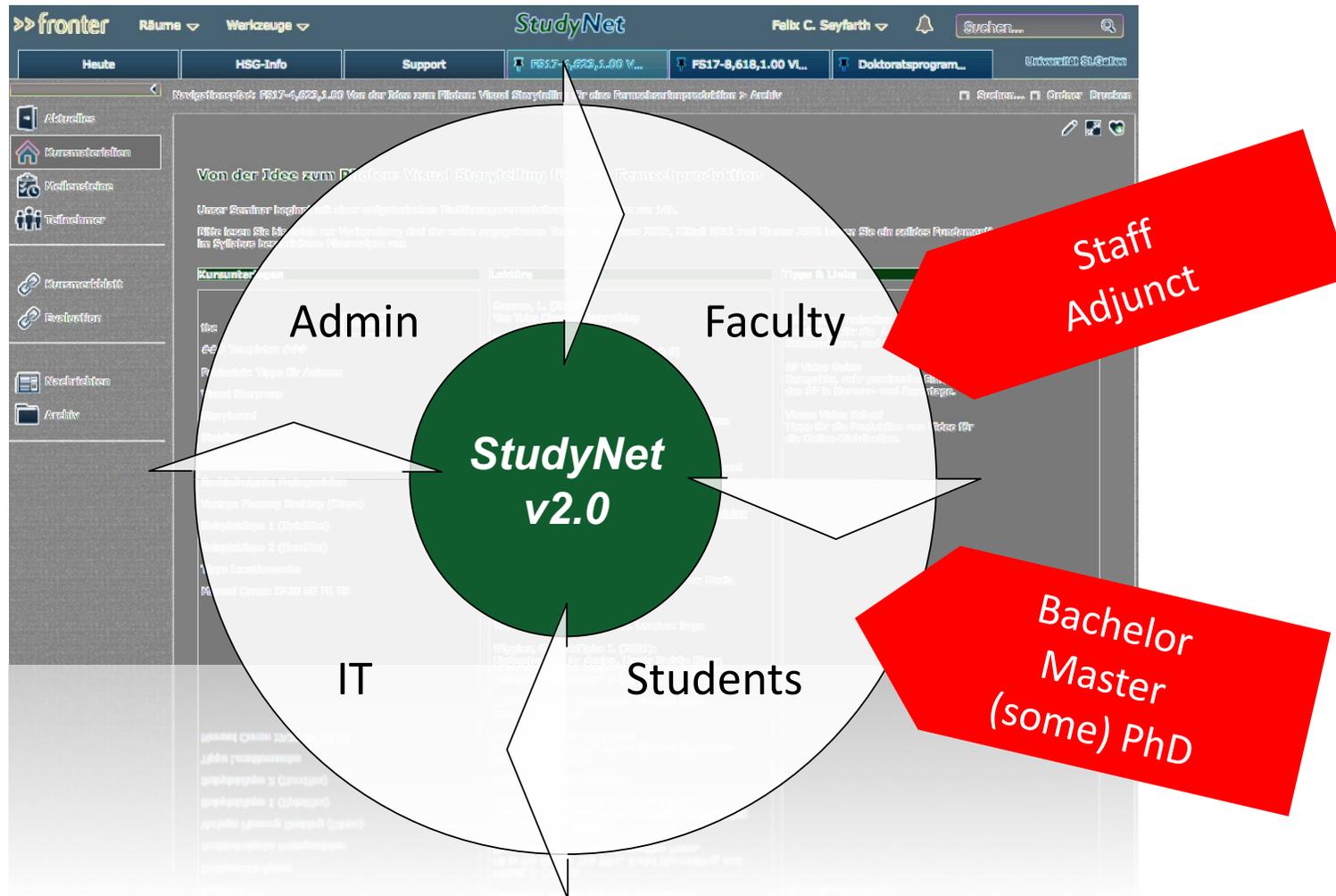
### Vision “An Integrative Business University”

As a leading business university we set global standards in research and teaching by promoting integrative thought, responsible action and an entrepreneurial spirit of innovation in business and society.



*Digitization supports new ways of teaching & learning.*

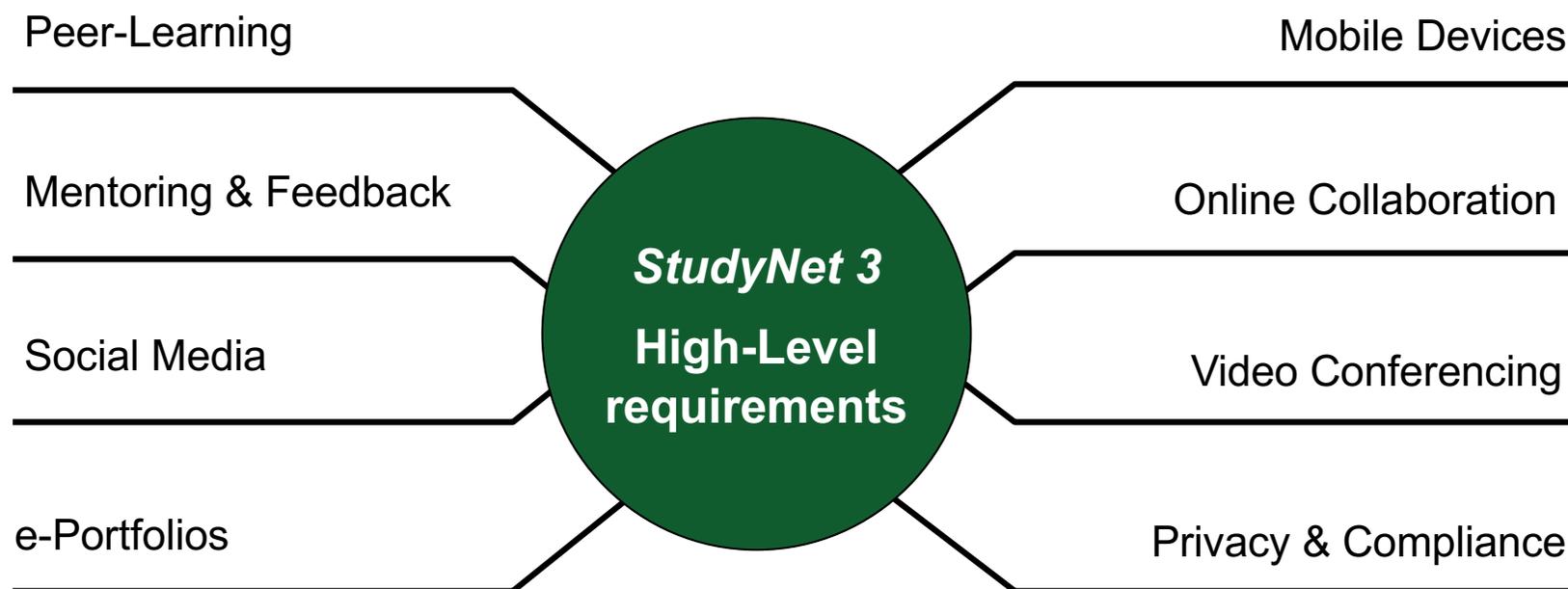
# The digital platform for teaching & learning „StudyNet v2.0“ at HSG has relied on the *Frontier LMS* since 2010.



*StudyNet is integrated with multiple systems and services.*

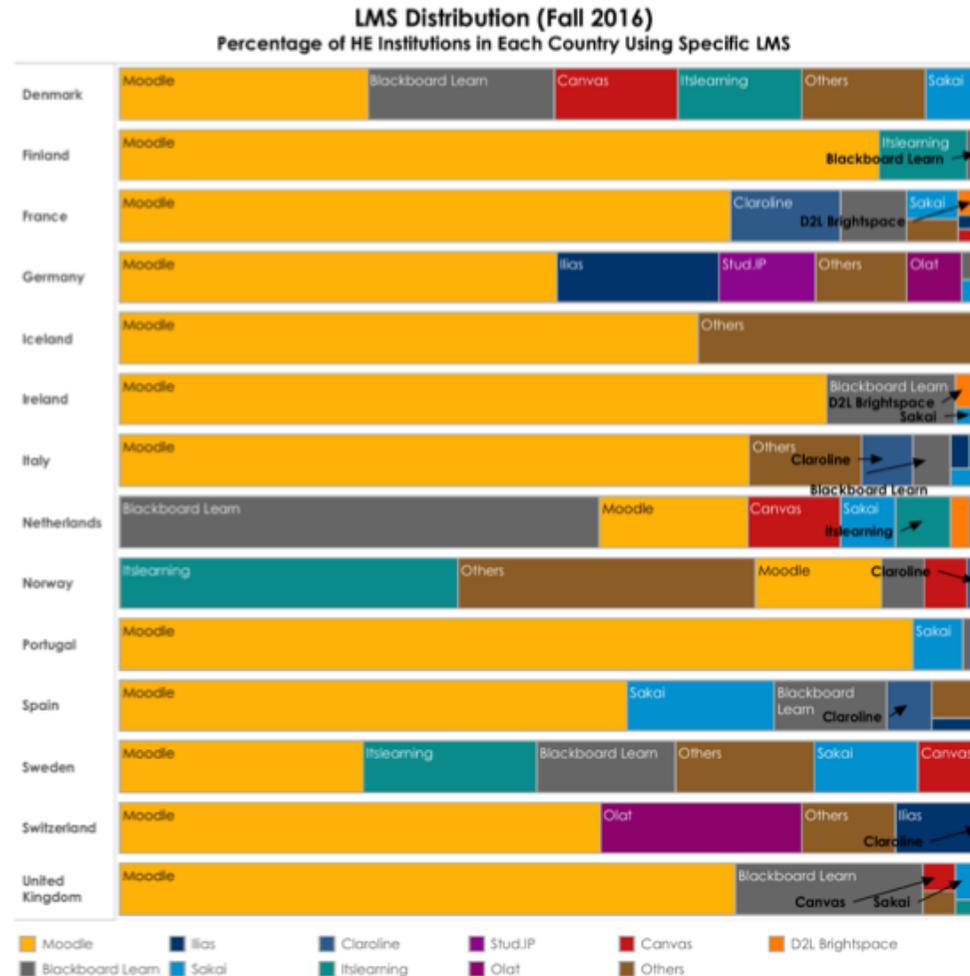
*StudyNet* generates 1'200 courses per semester for 10'000 users;  
but faculty and students often choose alternative tools.

#### SELECTION OF HIGH-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS 2018+



*Future LMS needs to provide state-of-the-art functions.*

1<sup>st</sup> generation LMS were often shaped by requirements of individual universities and national educational systems.

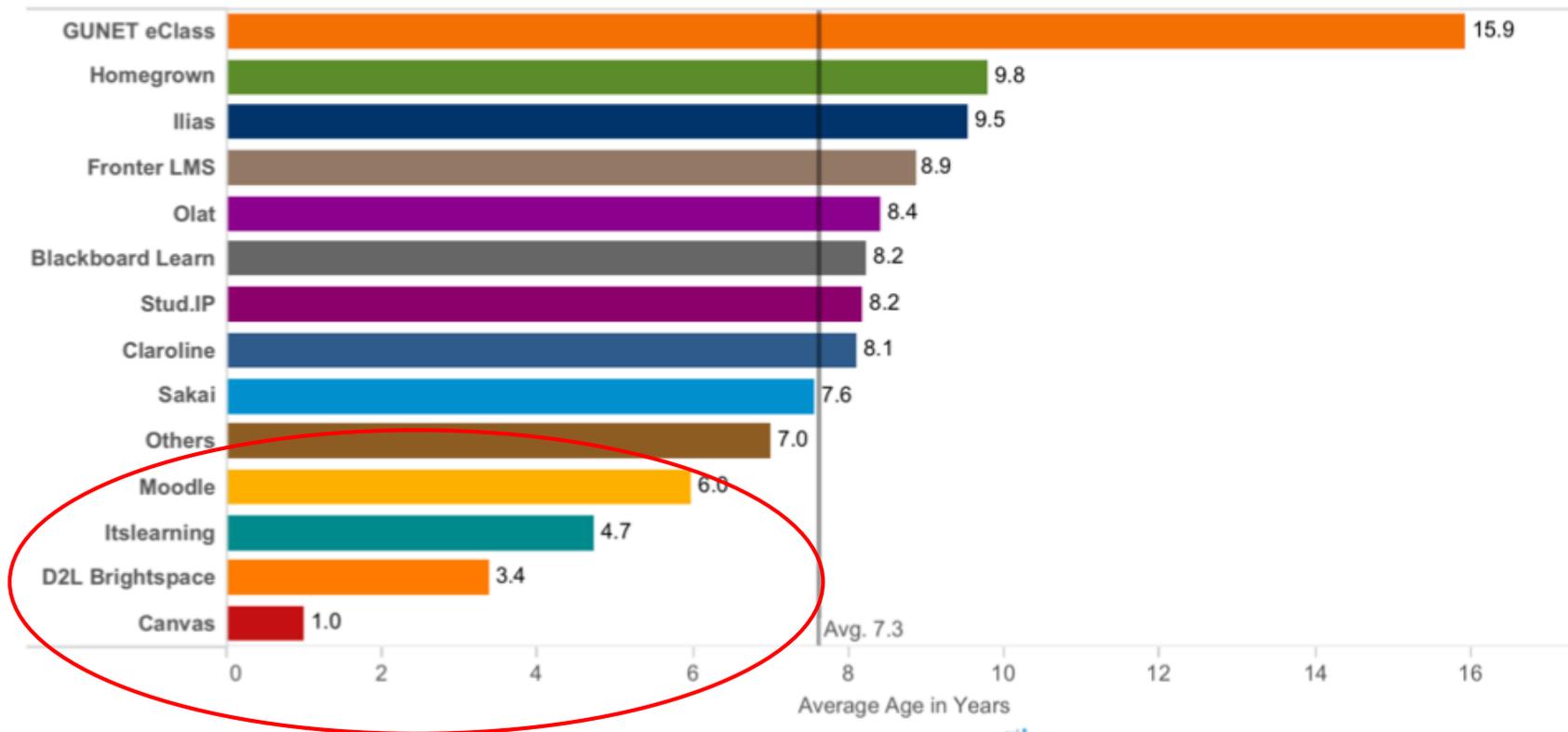


*LMS often start as university spin-offs/start-ups.*

1<sup>st</sup> generation LMS were implemented without use of OER, mobile devices, Web 2.0, digital video, Social Media, etc.

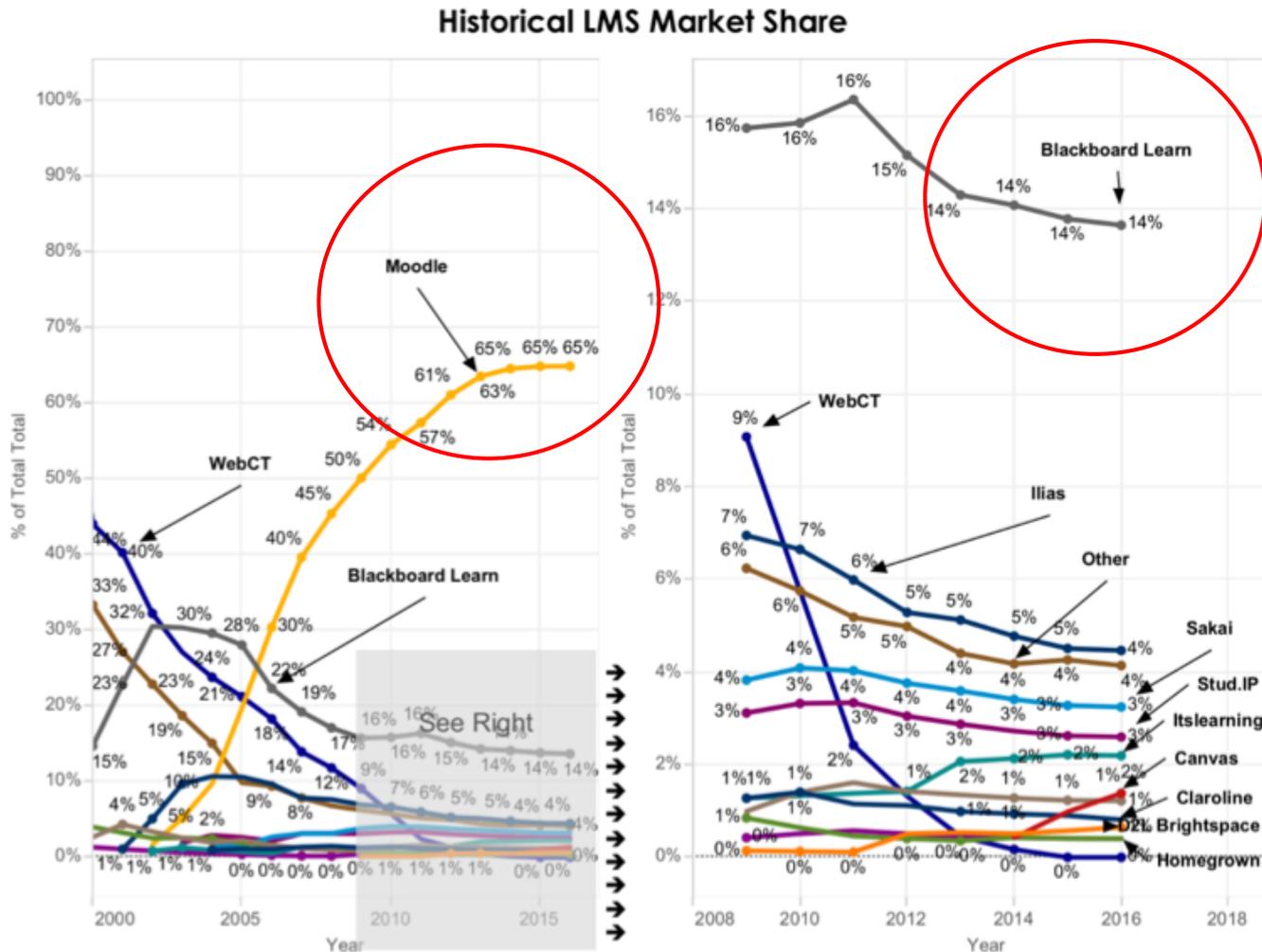
1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> GENERATION

Average Age of Primary Active LMS in Higher Ed In Europe



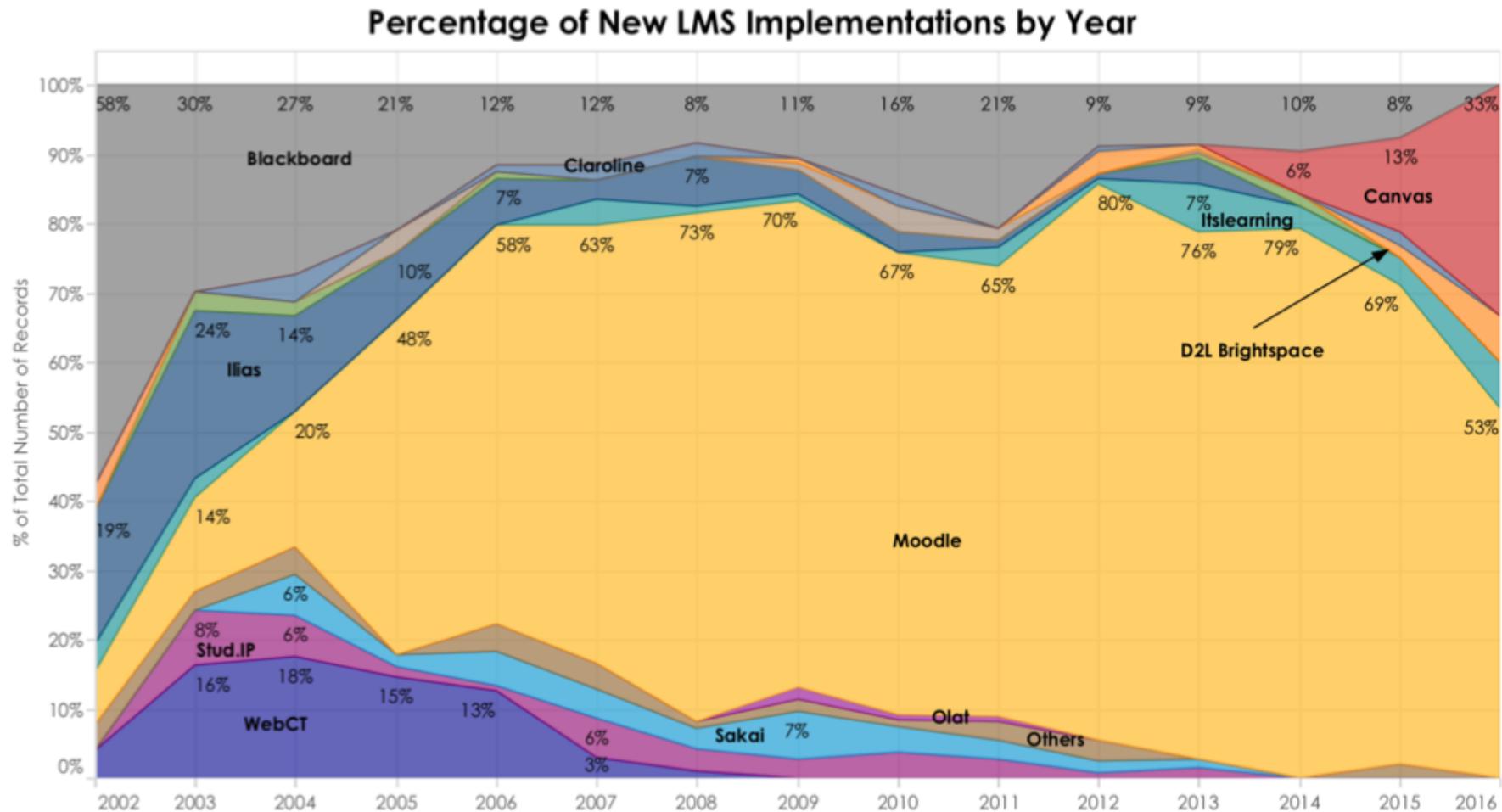
*Rapid technological change outpaced LMS development.*

Overall LMS growth continues. But as the global market matures, vendors are consolidating for scale effects.



*Fewer vendors offer increasingly similar feature sets.*

Current generation LMS present mostly similar features, differ mainly on pricing model, ease-of-use and client-base.



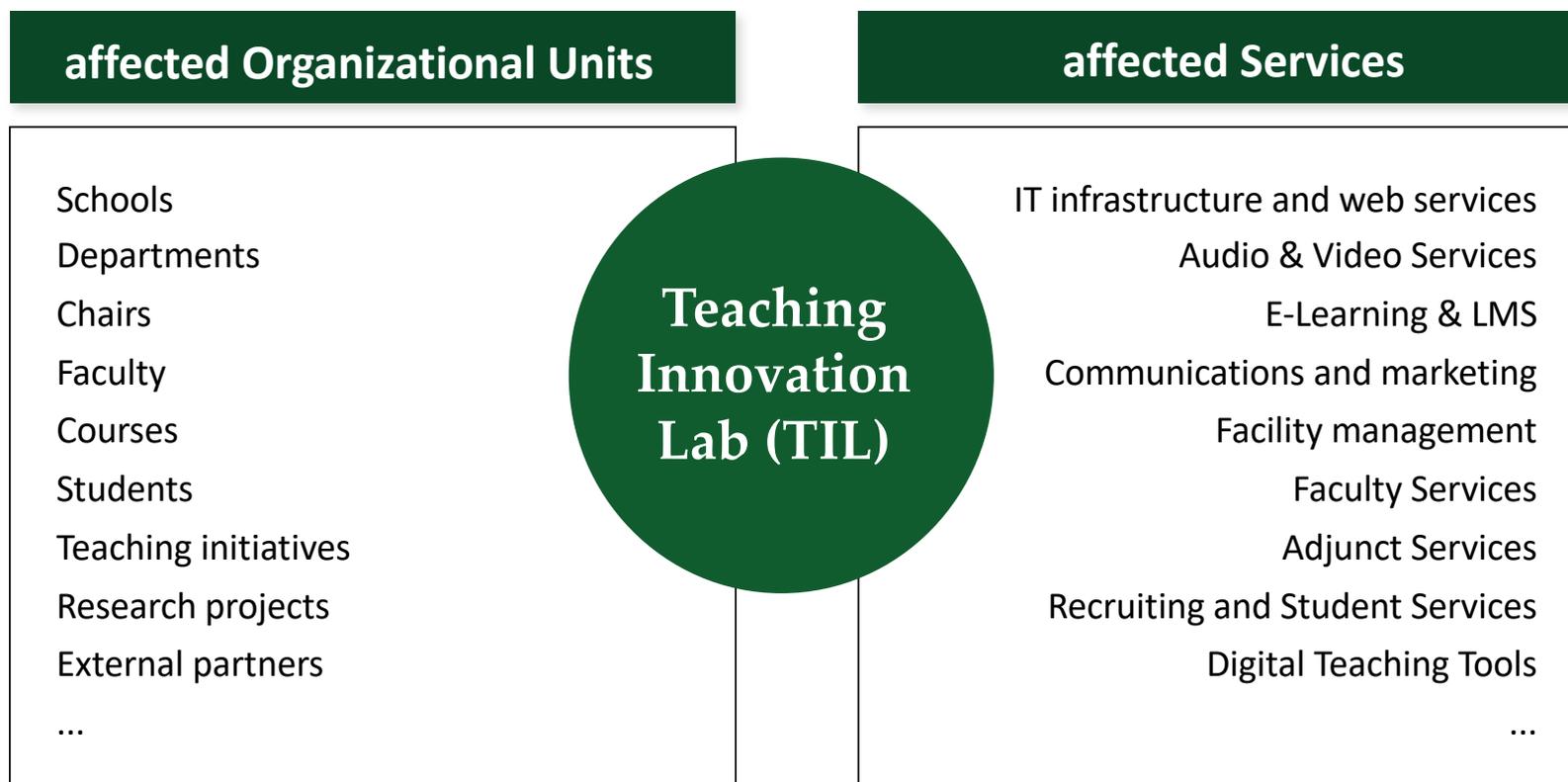
*Trend toward cloud-solutions & mobile shifts market shares.*

## The Challenge: “StudyNet 3” should bring new features, but maintain familiar workflows for faculty and students.

1. Improved learning experience for students.
2. Productivity tools for instructors.
3. Increased usage rates across all organizational units.
4. Integrated learning analytics and quality assurance.
5. Vendor provides migration experience.
6. Upgrade sharpens HSG profile as digital leader.

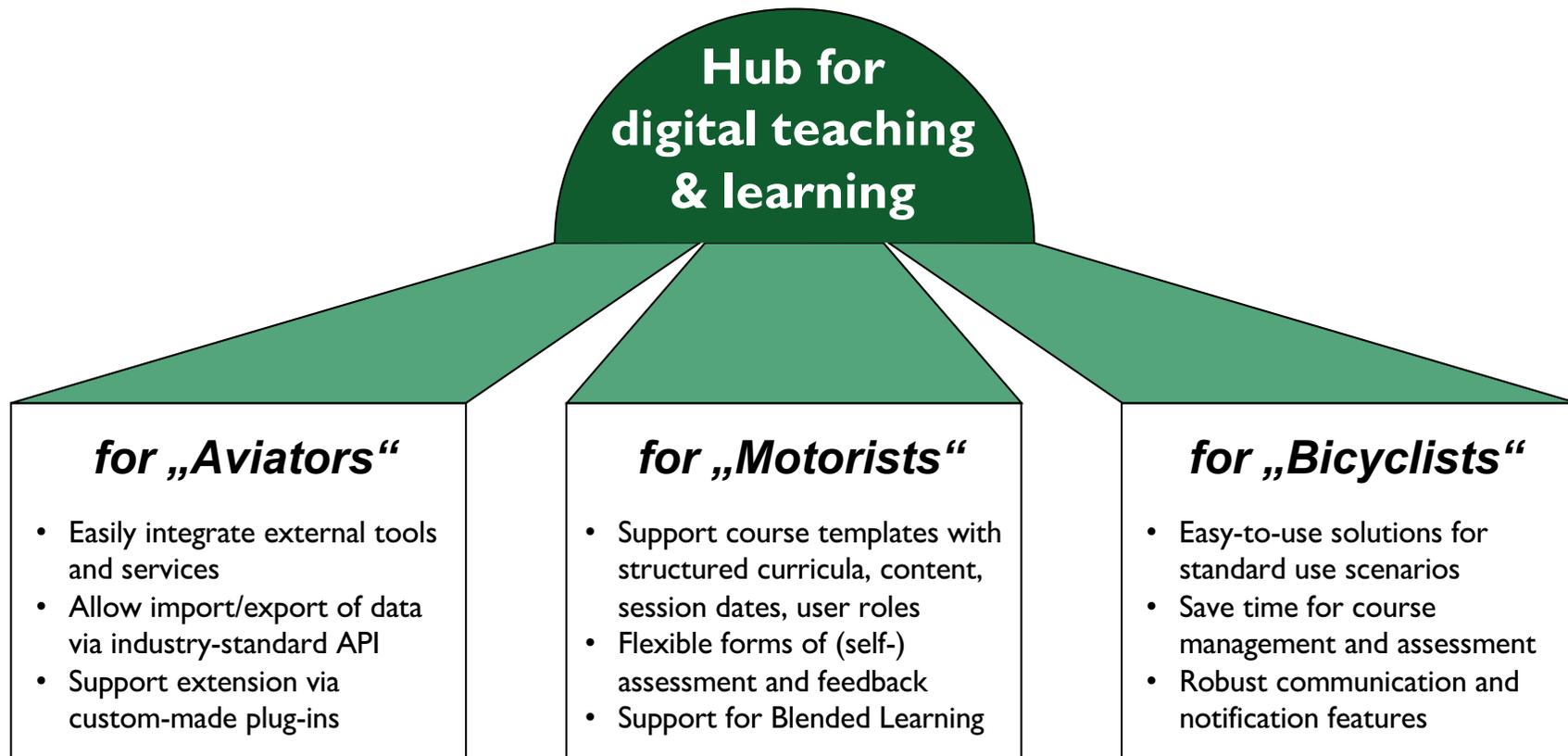
*Criteria are ease-of-use, mobile support, extensible architecture.*

## *KPI Adoption & Active Use: LMS should add value, efficiency and enhance innovative learning culture throughout HSG.*



*TIL co-ordinates evaluation and gathers requirements for upgrade.*

# KPI *Digital Practices*: LMS needs to accommodate different tiers of teaching and learning for both students and faculty.



*Use of a single LMS as a common hub benefits all user groups.*

# Evaluation of StudyNet 3 requirements collects input from 1'800 students (plus: IT, Student Parliament, Course Staff).

## PILOT COURSES IN HSI7

Course Nr.	Course Title	Lecturer	Course Designer	# Students	Level
3,210,1.00	Makroökonomie II (in German & English)	Winfried Koeniger	Janosch Weiss	910	BA
3,302,1.00	Public Management und Governance (in German & English)	Kuno Schedler, Grünenfelder Peter,	Ruth Frischknecht	180	BA
1,700,1.00	Geschichte der Staatsbildung				
3,726,1.00	Europa auf dem Weg in die Moderne				
3,551,1.00	Didaktischer Transfer I				
7,552,1.00	Aktuelle Themen der Wirtschaftsdidaktik				
3,196,1.00	Strategisches Management von Energieversorgungsunternehmen				
1,282,1.01/02	Principles of Financial Accounting, Gr 1/2				
1,102,2.07/08	Business Administration: Exercises and Independent Studies, Gr 7/8				
3,721	Reisen der Hoffnung: Die Schweiz als Migrationsland				
3,884,1.01	Russisch A2				
3,100,1.00	Marketing (in German & English)				
3,553,1.00	Bildungsmanagement 1				
1,222,2.38	Einführung in das wissenschaftliche Schreiben: Gruppe 38				
7,004,1.00	FPV: Mobile Business und Digital Enterprise				
3,706,1.00	Frankenstein's Legacy: Cultural Responses to Technological Change				
7,753,1.00	Das 500jährige Erbe der Reformation: Fundamentalismus, Kapitalismus, Aufklärung				
7,676,1.00	Coaching und Selbstführung: Modelle für die Praxis				
1,702,1.00	Geschichte: Kulturgeschichte Russlands				
	CAS Hochschuldidaktik (Executive Education Course)	Bernadette Dilger	Bernadette Dilger		ExecE

**Blended Learning**  
In a blended learning environment...

**Flipped Classroom**

**Personalized Learning**  
Personalized learning increases motivation and engagement by encouraging students to take charge of and design learning experiences that are meaningful to them.

**Standards Mastery**  
Meaningful assessment and feedback is crucial. Track mastery of standards with itslearning's personalized learning platform, featuring our automated content recommendation engine.

**Teacher Productivity**  
itslearning's award-winning personalized learning platform can help make you a more productive teacher, and add more teaching time to the school day.

*Test LMS helps analyze actual practices and allows experimenting with potential practices*

*Faculty volunteered for participation, TIL provided support.*

## Evaluation and procurement process for „StudyNet 3“ ran as parallel workstreams during fall term.

- ✓ Initial discussion of roadmap and option space during 2016.
- ✓ Nov 16 Various product presentations in.
- ✓ Feb 17 Definition must-have IT requirements.
- ✓ Mar 17 Definition roadmap for evaluation & upgrade.
- ✓ Apr 17 Project scoping and implementation scenarios.
- ✓ Jun 17 Licensed “test system” for Hs17.
- ✓ Aug 17 Recruited 15 pilot staff, prepared training.
- ✓ Aug 17 Submitted upgrade proposal to project board.
- ✓ Aug 17 Initiate IT procedures for pilot operations.
- ✓ Sep-Dez 17 1’800 students use pilot LMS, continuous evaluation.
- ✓ Jan 17 Finalization of Public Tender documents
- ✓ Feb 17 Pilot Evaluation; Publication of Tender

*Hs17 Pilot results inform upgrade decision in 1Q18 ff.*

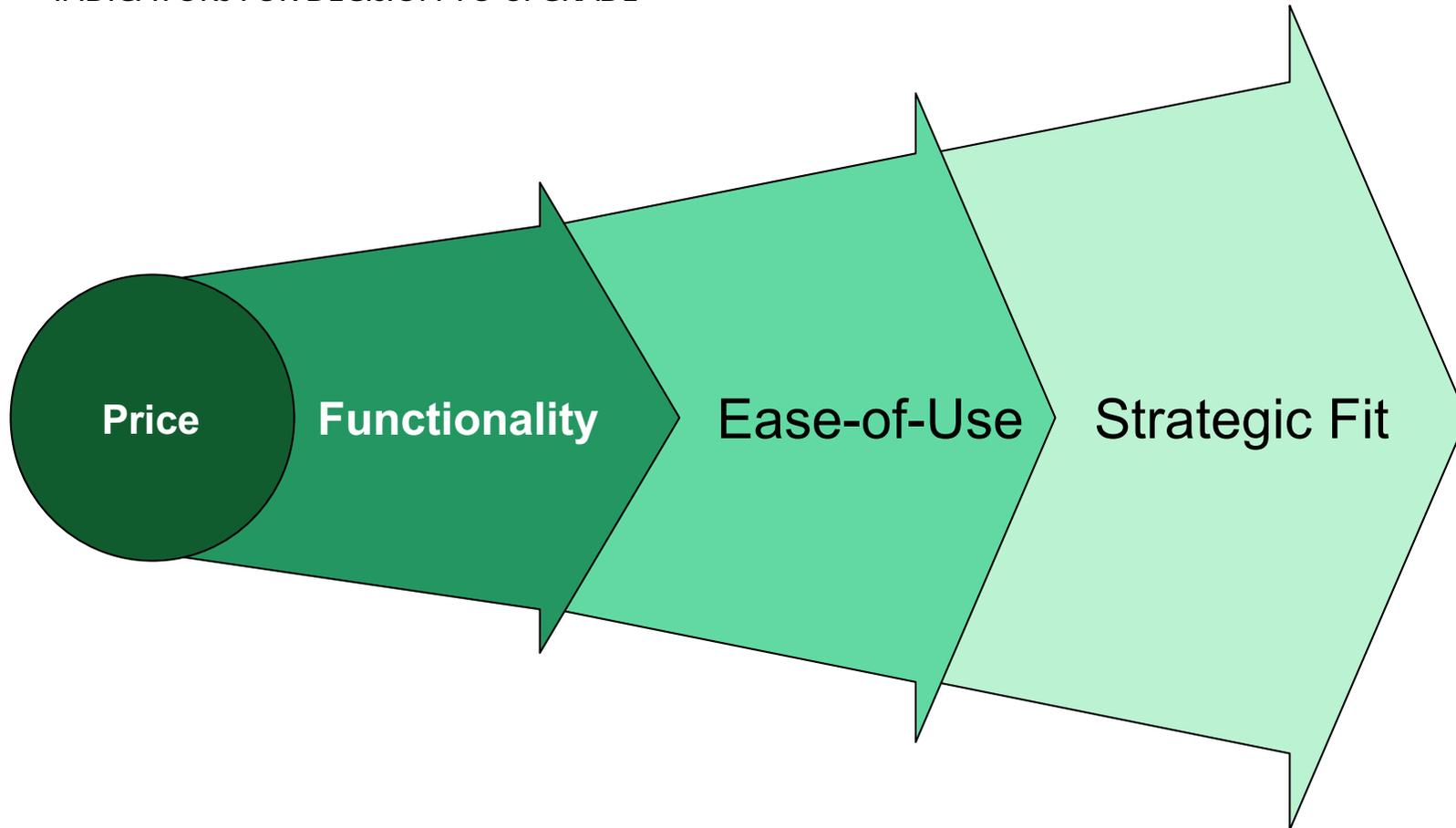
# Specification of requirements for teaching, pedagogy, instructional design, course management („Pflichtenheft“).

- 1 Funktionalitäten Benutzeroberfläche (Frontend) .....**
  - 1.1 Allgemein.....
  - 1.2 Lehr-/Lernarrangements.....
  - 1.3 Faculty.....
  - 1.4 Studierende.....
  - 1.5 Lehrnahe Verwaltung.....
  
- 2 Technische Funktionalitäten (Backend) .....**
  - 2.1 Allgemein.....
  - 2.2 API/Integrations .....
  - 2.3 Kompatibilität/Formate.....
  - 2.4 Vertragsende.....
  - 2.5 IT-Umgebungen.....
  - 2.6 Sicherheit .....
  - 2.7 Wartung/Updates.....
  - 2.8 Testing .....
  - 2.9 Backup und Wiederherstellung („Recovery“) .....
  - 2.10 Schulung und Support.....
  
- 3 Strategie & Roadmap.....**
  - 3.1 Allgemein.....
  - 3.2 Roadmap .....

*Matching HSG vision future-proofs requirements.*

Upgrade decision considers price and functionalities, but assigns equal or higher weight to ease-of use and strategic fit.

INDICATORS FOR DECISION TO UPGRADE



*Upgrade decision comprises a technology and a relationship.*

**Mission Statement: “StudyNet 3” should be a dynamic hub, continuously adapting to organizational learning needs.**

Tentative Roadmap going-forward (Hypothesis):

1. February 2018: Public Tender
2. March/April 2018: Review Proposals & Vendors
3. May 2018: Upgrade Decision and Contract Negotiations
4. June – August 2018: Implementation & Testing
5. September 2018: Go-Live StudyNet 3

➤ **2018ff.** Continuous development and optimization, agile development, updates based on new requirement.

*LMS adoption requires on-going stakeholder conversation.*

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