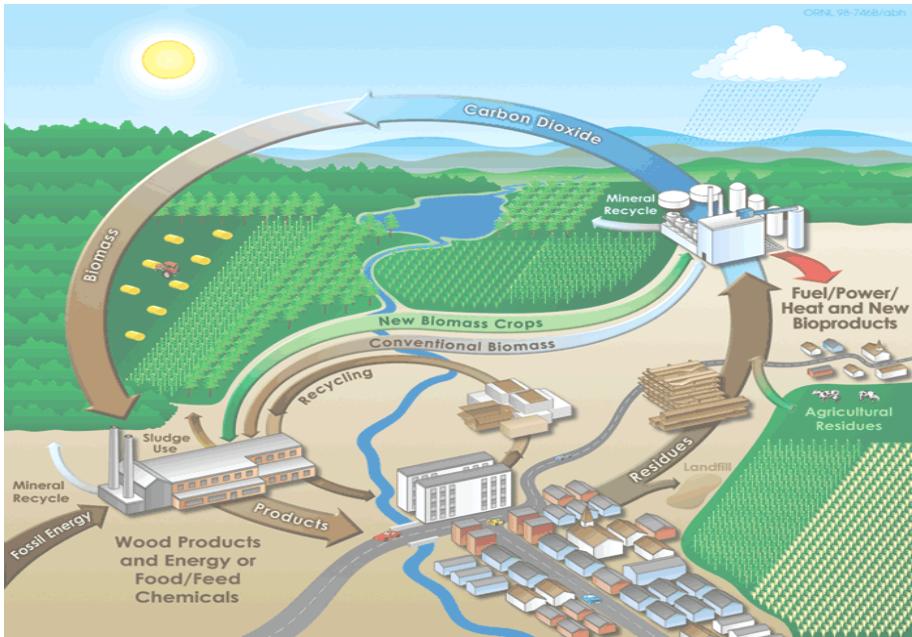


# Regions: drivers for Europe's bio-economy



- Linking pin for Triple-Helix cooperation
- Familiar with available value chains
- Bring together science, society and policy-making
- Important for raising public-awareness
- Facilitate basic services and facilities

# Examples of regional frontrunners in the bioeconomy

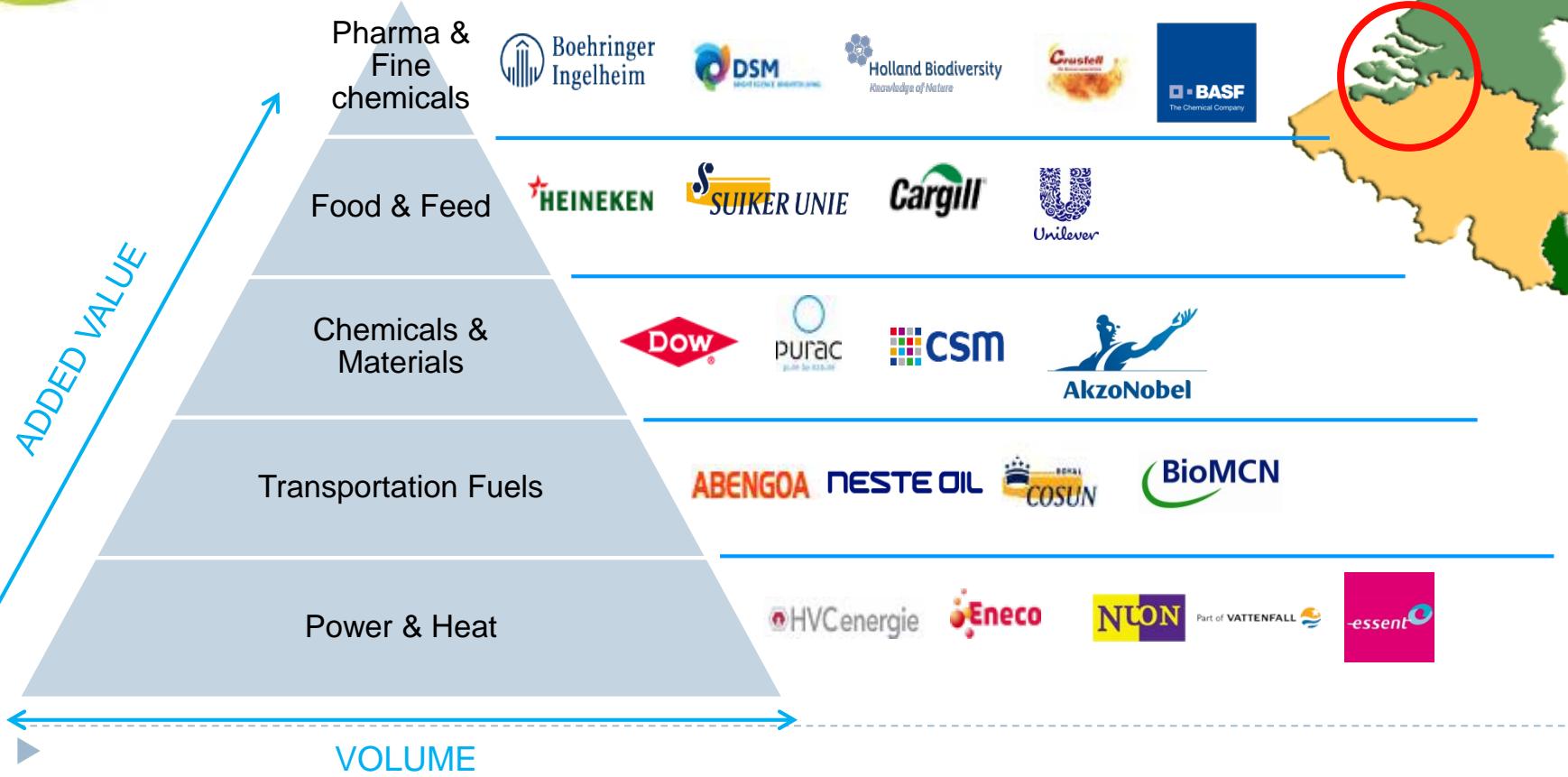


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# Biobased Delta: Agro meets Chemistry



# What do we need at the policy level?

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- ▶ Strong policy coordination is key
  - ▶ Better access to finance for SME's
  - ▶ Europe that is taking the lead
  - ▶ A clear and long term bioeconomy vision beyond 2020
  - ▶ A "value-strategy" based on higher segments of the pyramid
  - ▶ A 'roadmap' and better, more coherent instruments
  - ▶ Stimulating regional initiatives and 'stairways of excellence'
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*We need YOU for the Bioeconomy!*

