



# Building an extended ontological perspective on Service Science

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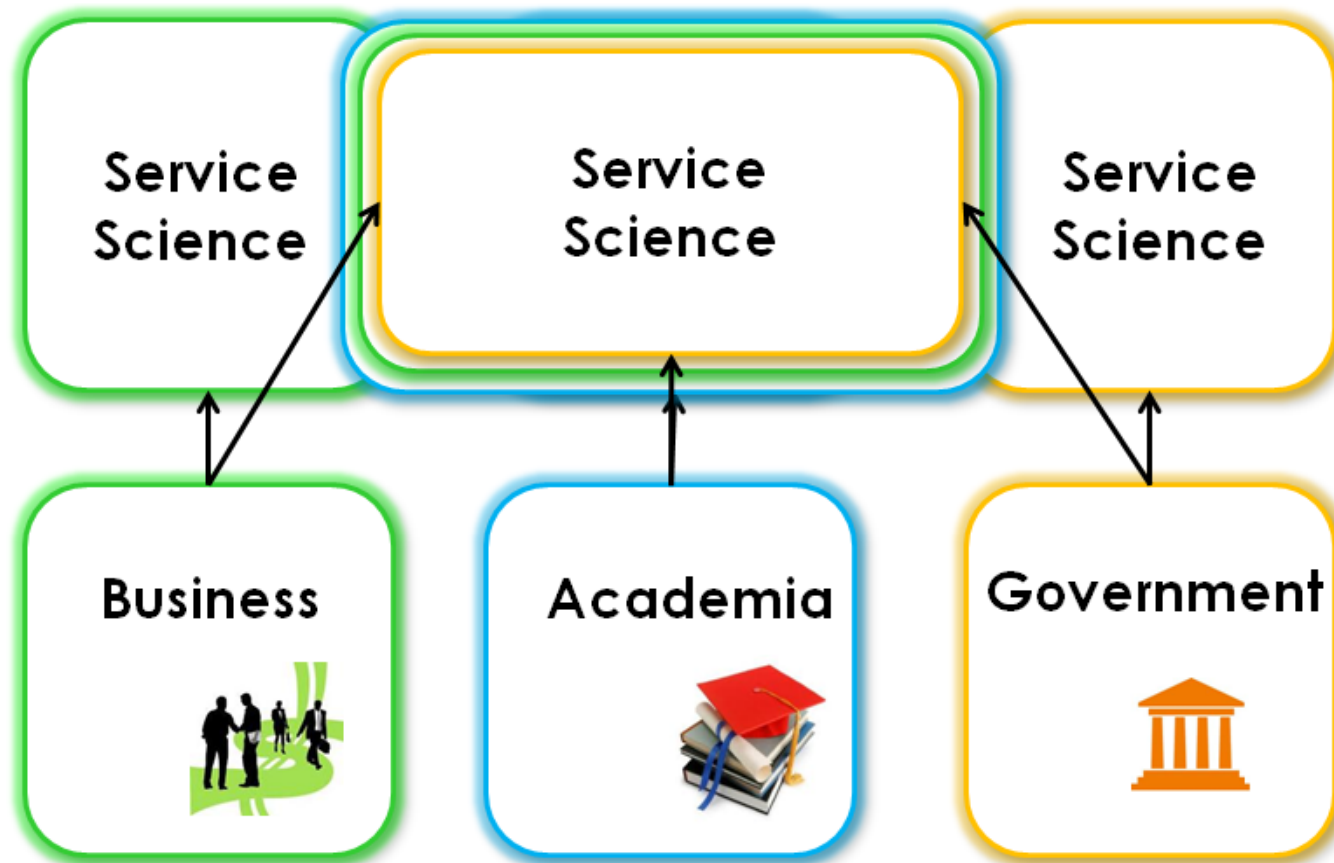
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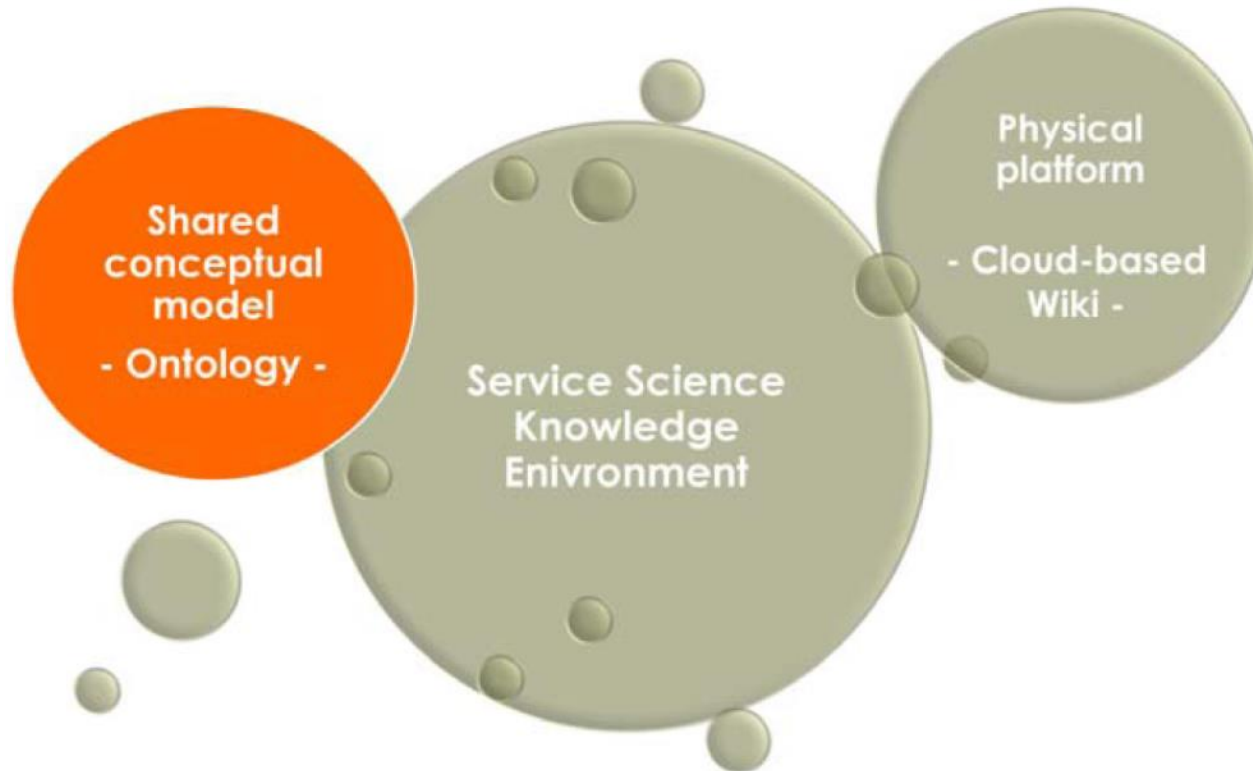
# Service Science and Service Innovation

- identified need - economic development requires service innovation:
  - new skills and knowledge
  - need to train adaptive innovators, to
    - understand and marshal diverse, and increasingly global, resources to create value
    - identify and realize a continuous stream of innovation in service systems
  
- Information and communication technologies (ICT) enabled the creation of new services and service businesses

# Stakeholders' perspective on Service Science



# SSKE – Development Steps



# Ontological perspectives on Service Science

- focus:

- to establish an unifying framework of service representation in different perspectives, based on the Service-Dominant Logic view

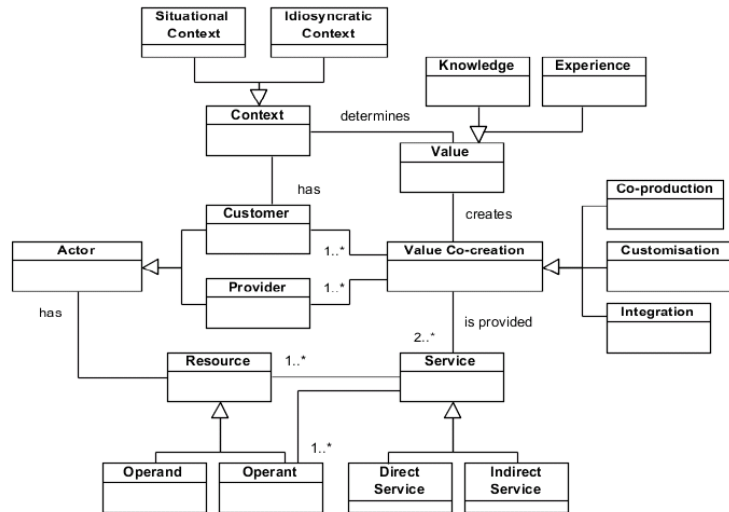
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- ... but all of them refer only to specific parts of knowledge that can be related to Service Science and its supporting technologies



# Ontological perspectives on Service Science (cont.)

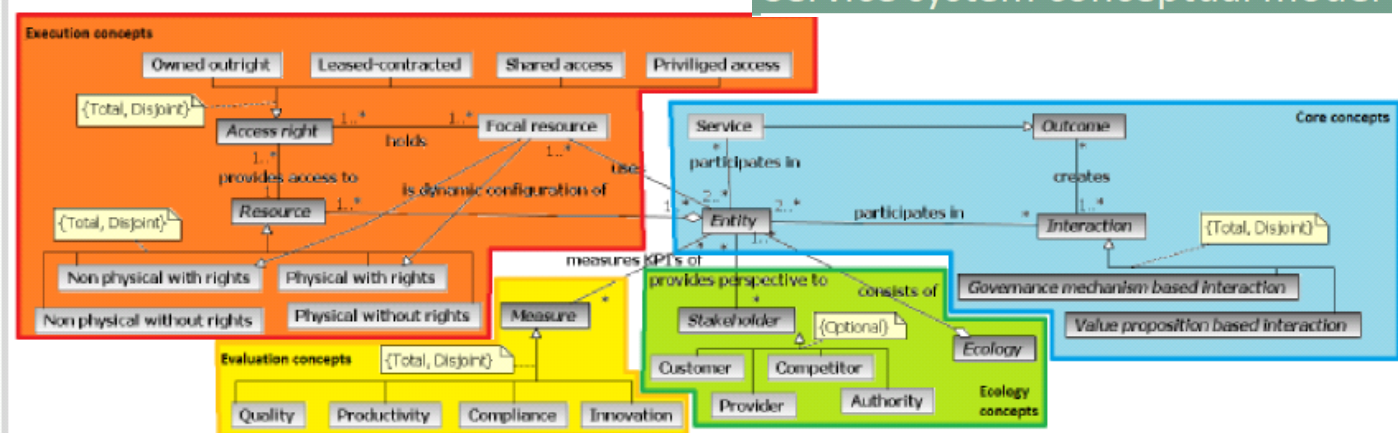
## An ontological representation of S-D logic: the complete model



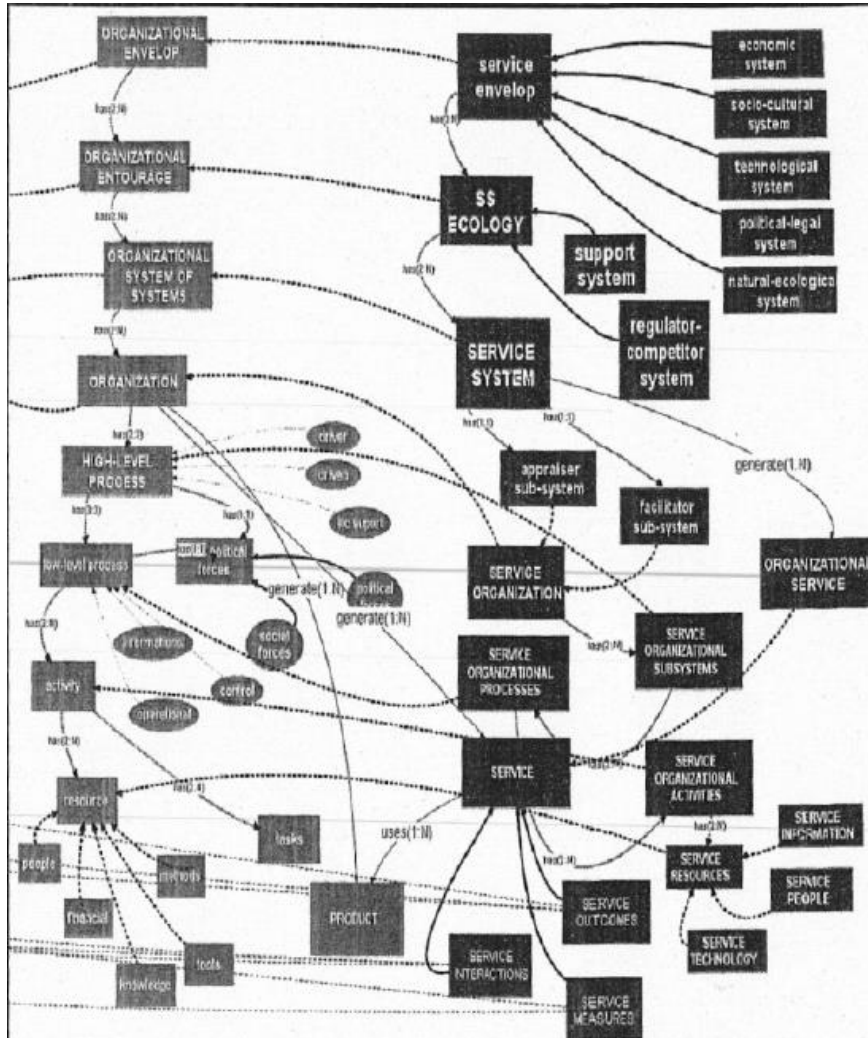
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## Service system conceptual model



# Ontological perspectives on Service Science (cont.)



- the Onto-ServSys ontology on service systems – concepts' integration realized through a Systems Approach, that mainly consists of an *organizational system view* and a *service system view*

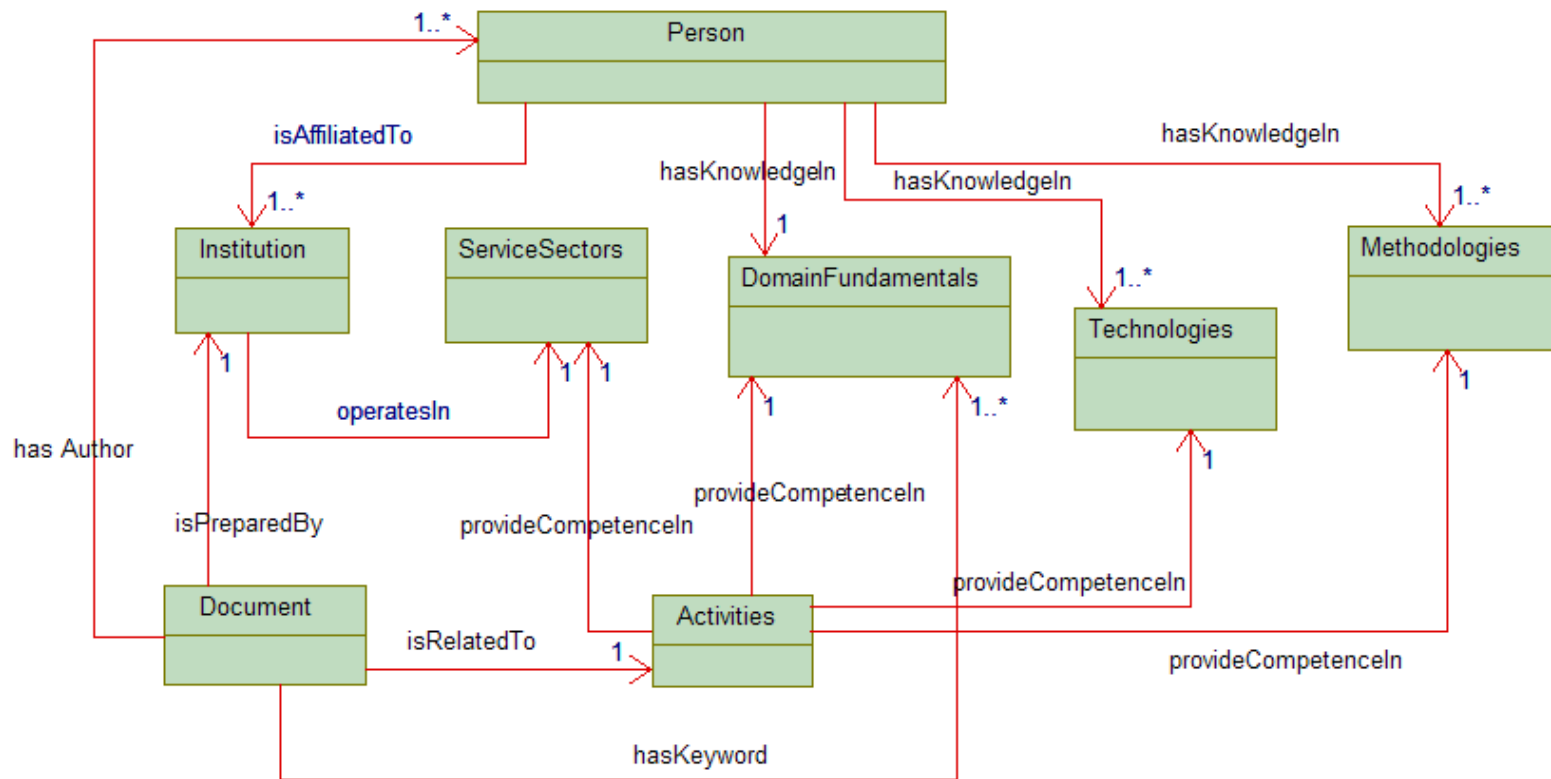
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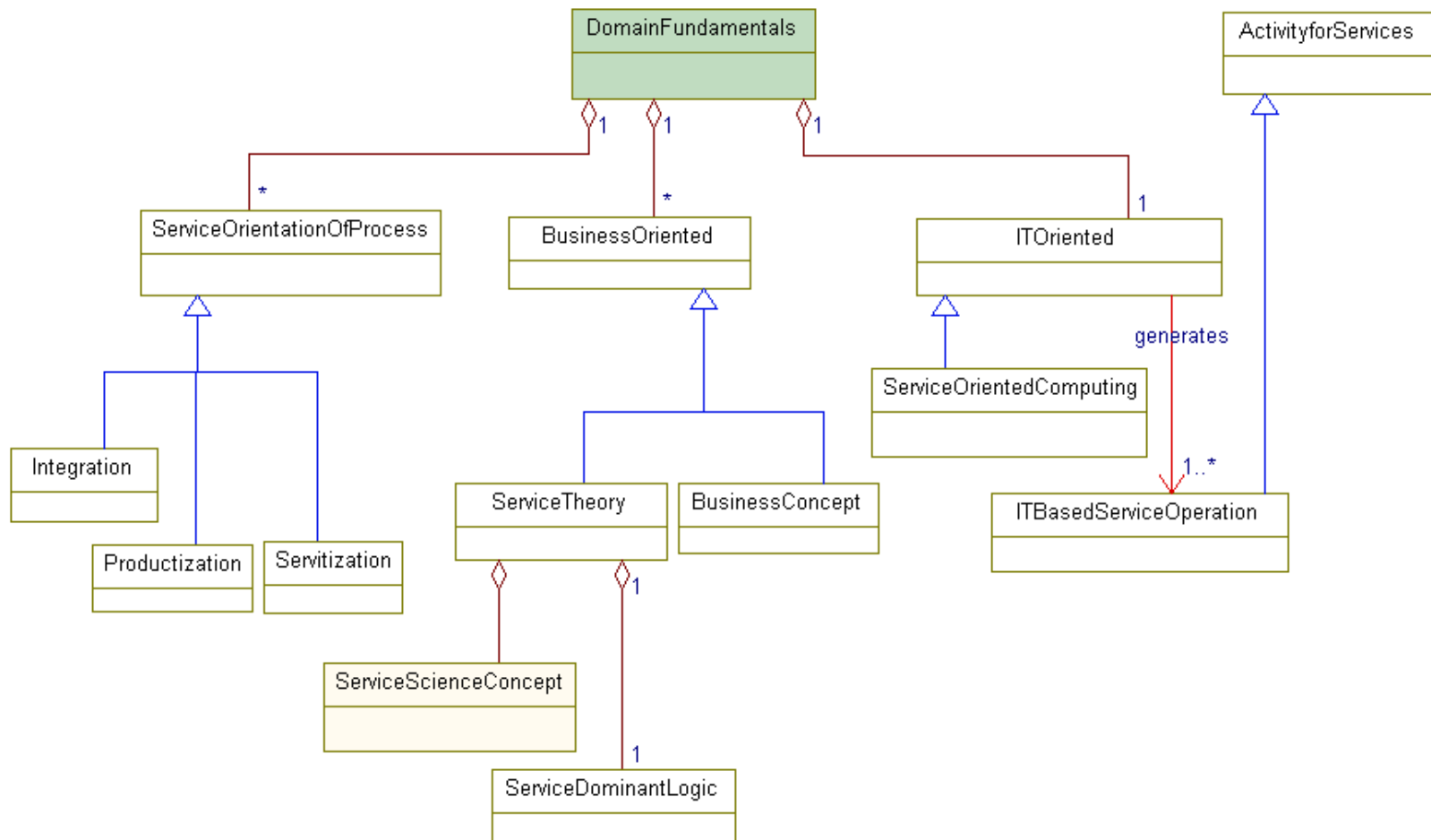
# SSKE - Ontological perspective on Service Science

- a holistic view on knowledge dedicated to the Service Science multidisciplinary domain
  - Information related to the multidisciplinary sub-domains gathered under the umbrella of the broader term "Service Science" to be classified as specific knowledge resources and
  - accessed through a dedicated knowledge base owning a specific ontology-based query formulation methodology
- .... *to be further used for managing service related knowledge*

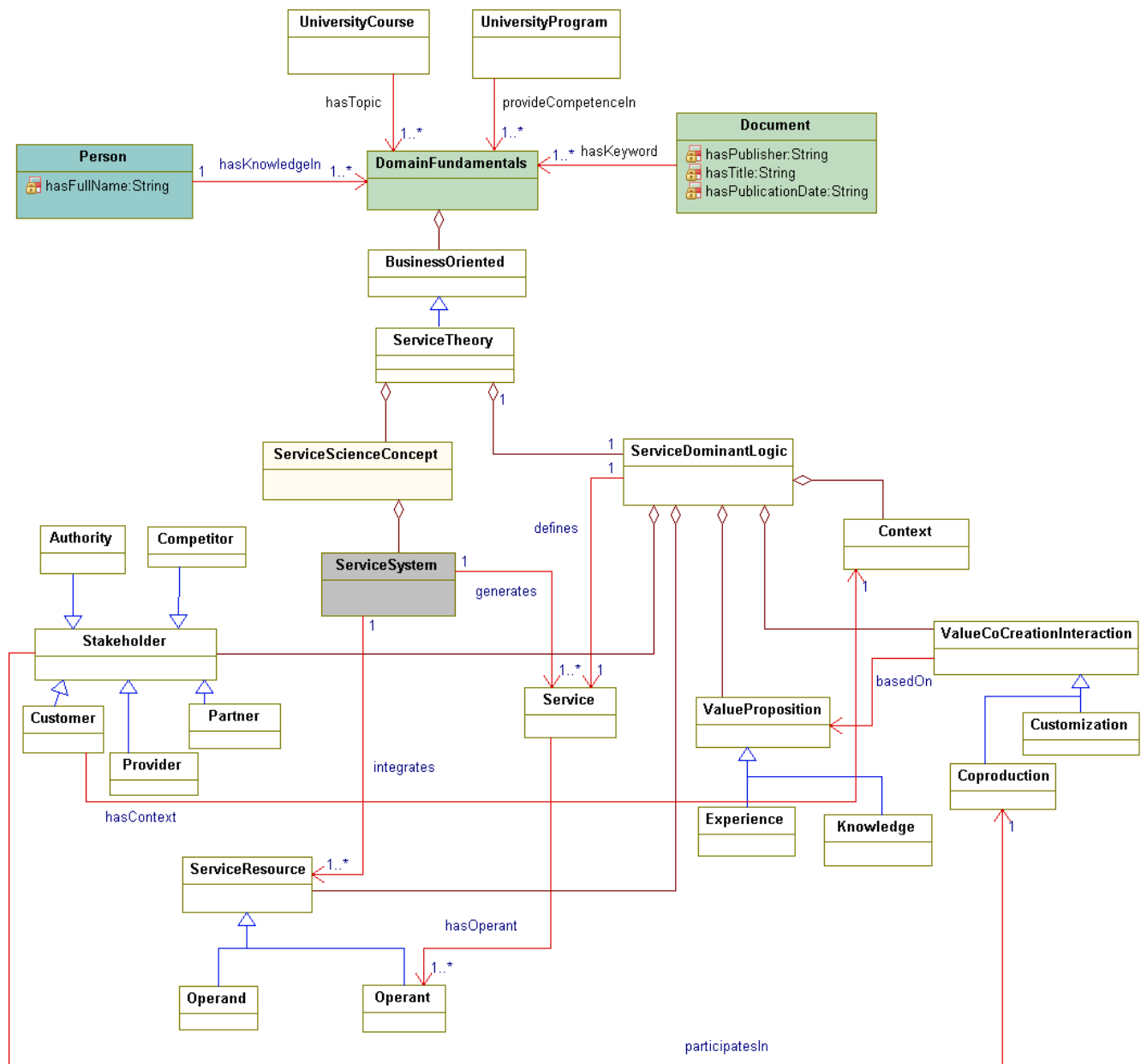
# SSKE – knowledge resources (main ontology concepts / extended ontology)



# Extended SSKE Ontology - Domain Fundamentals related concepts

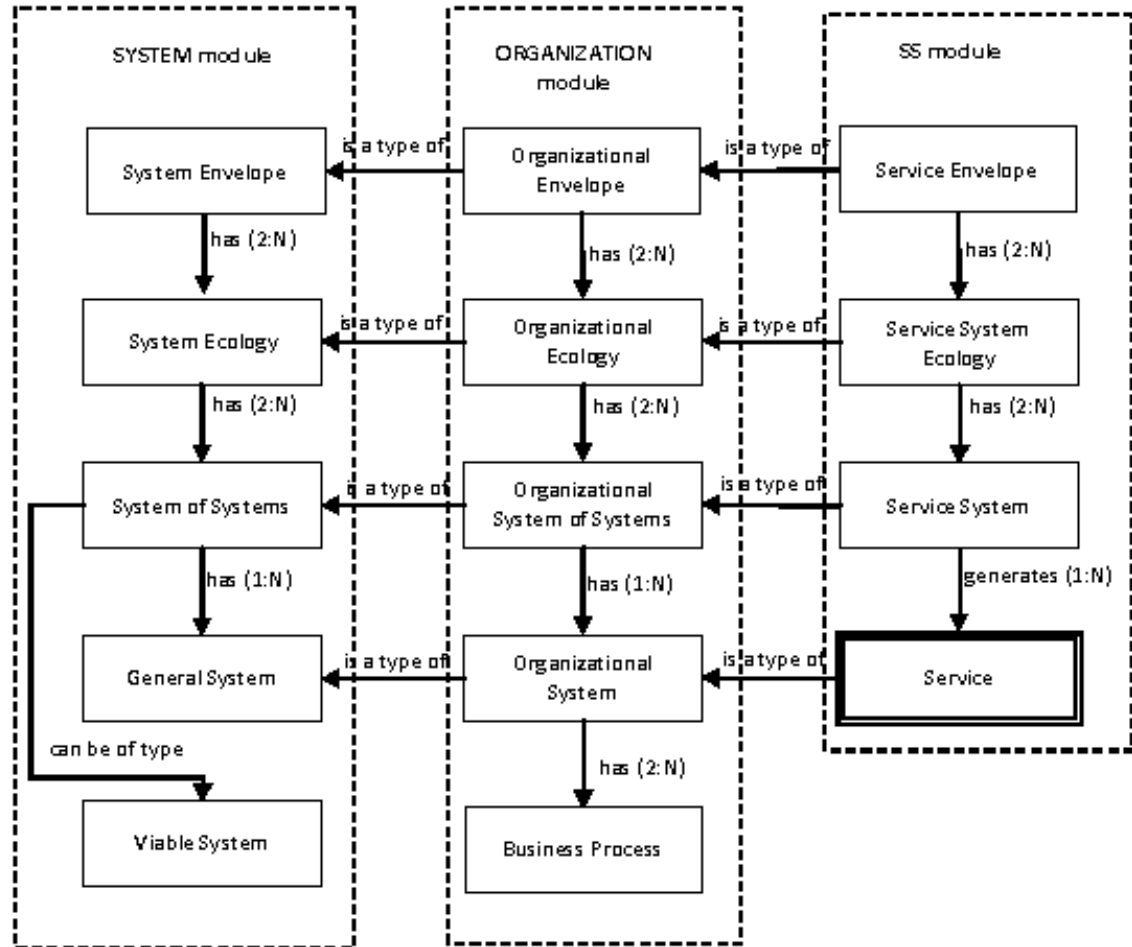


# Extended SSKO Ontology - Service Science related concepts



# A Systems Approach for a General Service Science Ontology

- this a general ontology structure for Service Science domain as reflected by the extended SSKE ontology
  - it is a systemic perspective
- three main modules, with increasing levels of generality
  - service system* description (the *SS module*)
  - organizational system of systems* description (the *Organization module*)
  - systems of systems* description (the *Systems module*)



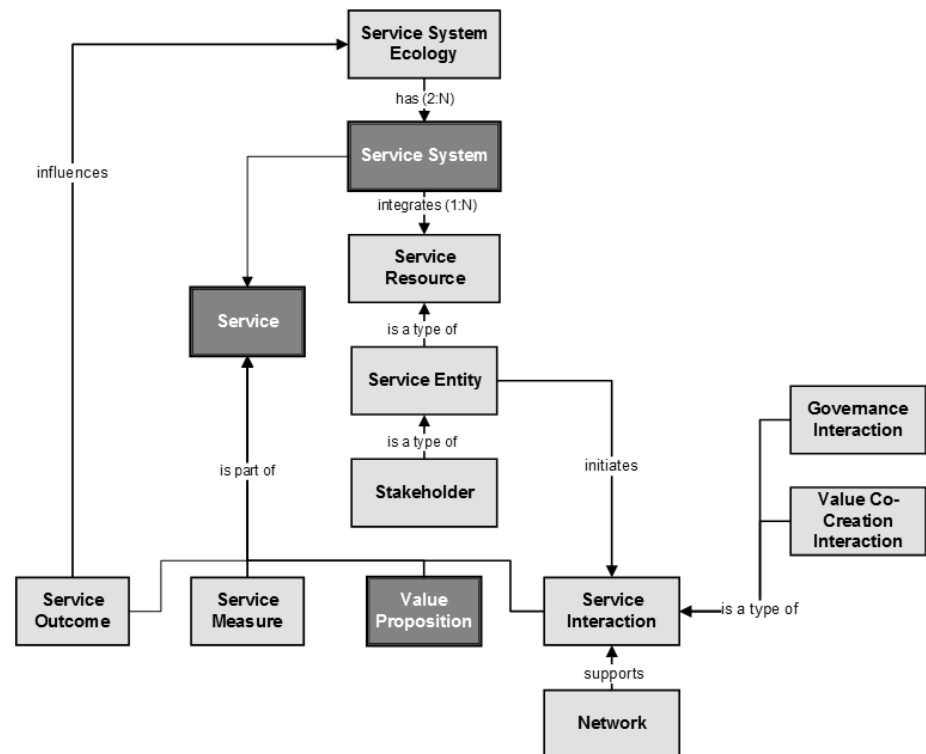


# Building an extended ontology – proposed methodology

- proposing non-ambiguous relations between more specific concepts, like *Service System*, and more general ones, like *Organizational System of Systems* or *System of Systems*
- consider *Service System* from the *System of Systems* perspective that allows an adequate description of the role and place of *System Viability*

- two major steps proposed:

- a gradually refinement of the granularity of the service system description, starting from the ten foundational concepts, on one side, and
- the interconnection of the *Service System* description with the *Organizational System* description and *System of Systems* description, respectively



# Building an extended ontology – proposed methodology (cont.) – sske.cloud.upb.ro

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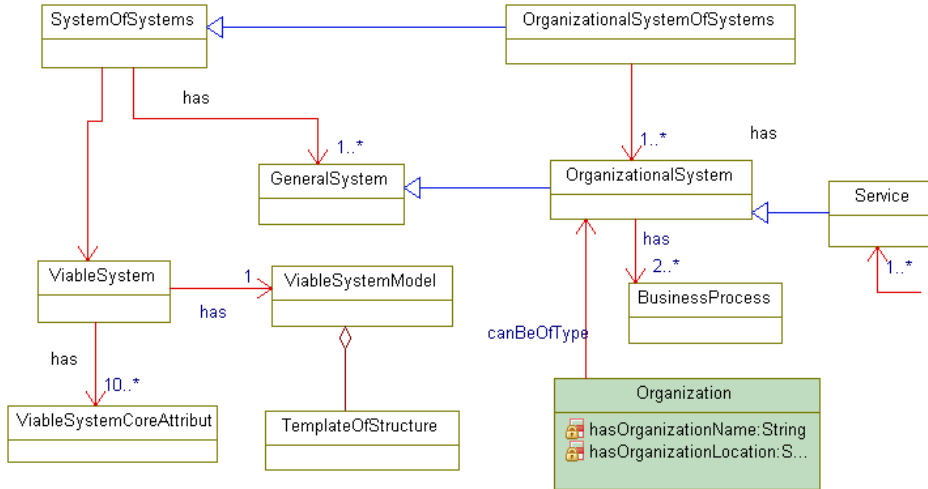
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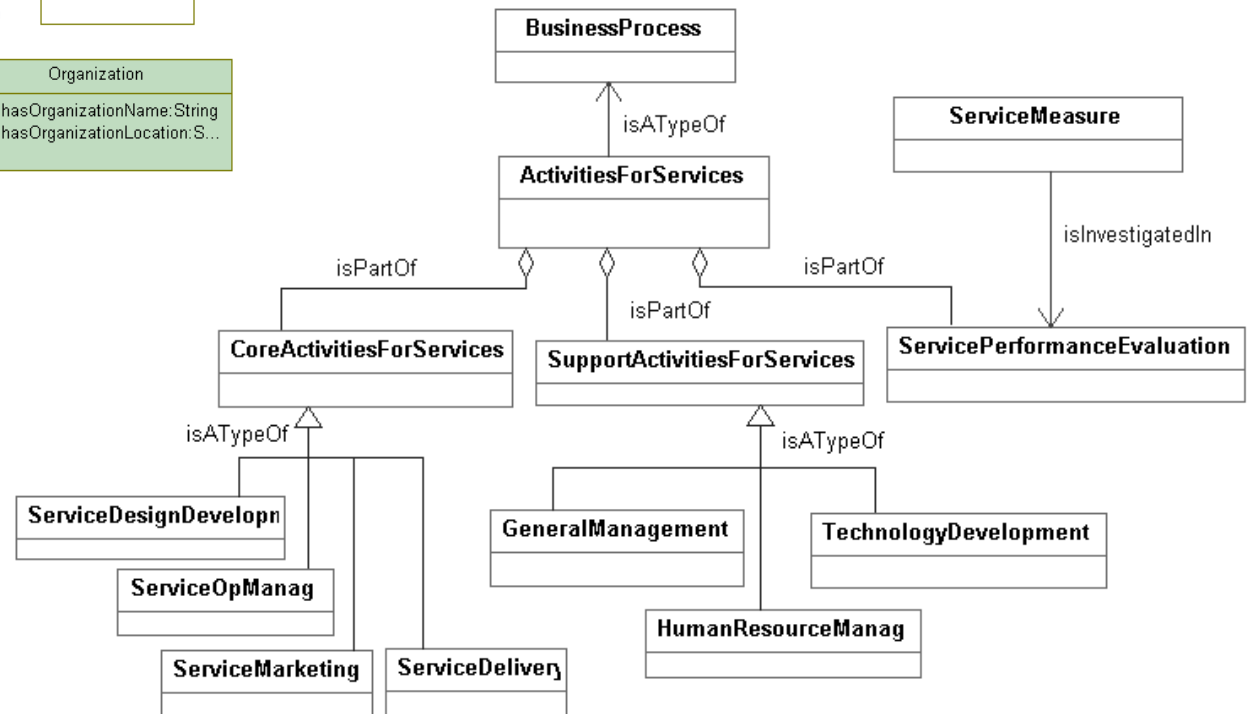
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          - Service science
          - Service envelope
            - Economic system
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- Service measure
  - Quality
  - Productivity
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  - Sustainable innovation
- Service resource
  - People
  - Technology
  - Shared information
  - Access right
    - Owned outright
    - Leased/Contracted
    - Shared access
    - Privileged access
- Service entity
  - Stakeholder
    - Customer
    - Provider
    - Authority
    - Competitor
    - Partner
- Service interaction
  - Value co-creation interaction
  - Governance interaction
  - Network
- Organizational envelope
- Organizational ecology
- Organizational system of systems
- Organizational system
- Envelope

- Envelope
- Ecology
- System of systems
- General system
- Viable system
  - Viable system core attribute
    - Multidisciplinary interpretative approach
    - Open systems
    - System boundaries
    - Autopoiesis and common finality
    - Homeostasis and self-regulation
    - Structures, systems and equifinality
    - Consonance and resonance
    - System viability
    - Adaptation and relationship development
    - Complexity and decision making
  - Viable system model
  - Template of VSM structure

# Extending the General Ontology Structure for Service Science (1)

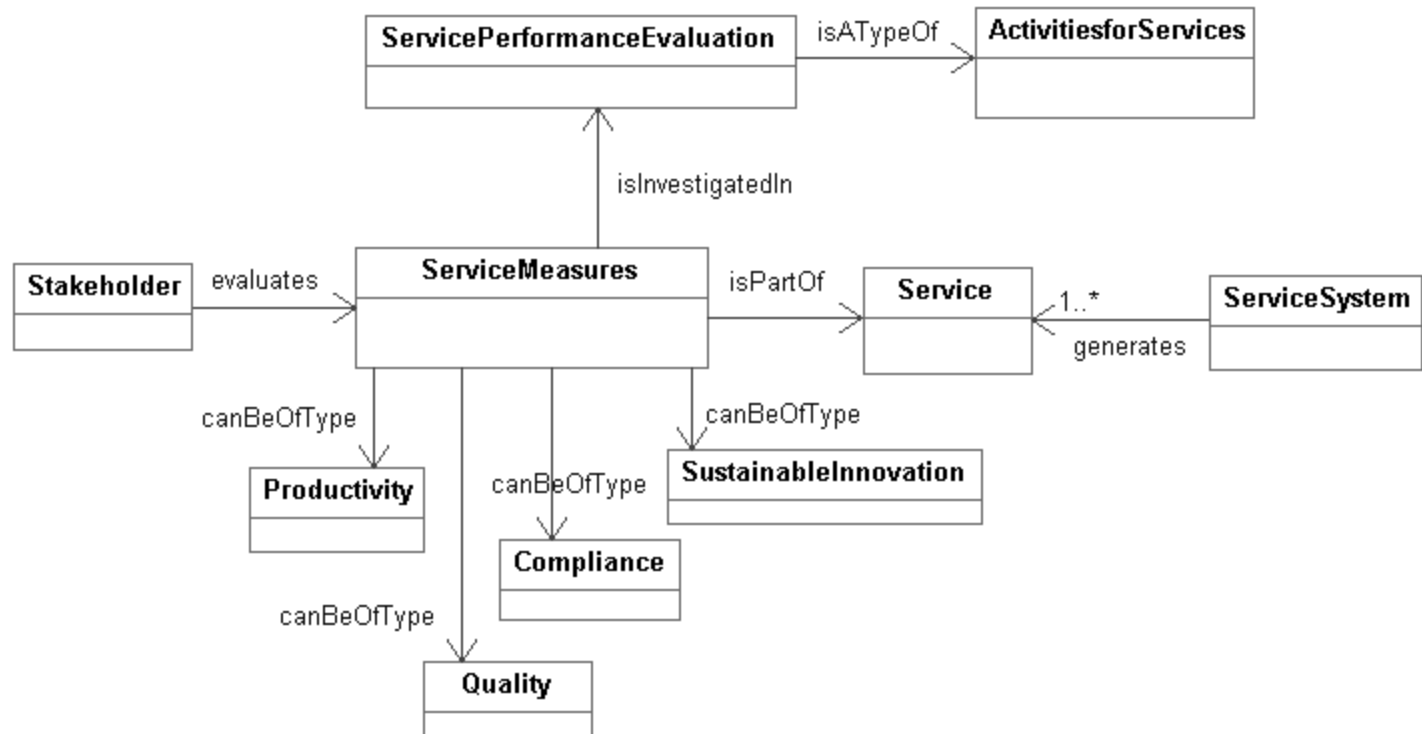


new concept category:  
**ActivitiesForServices**

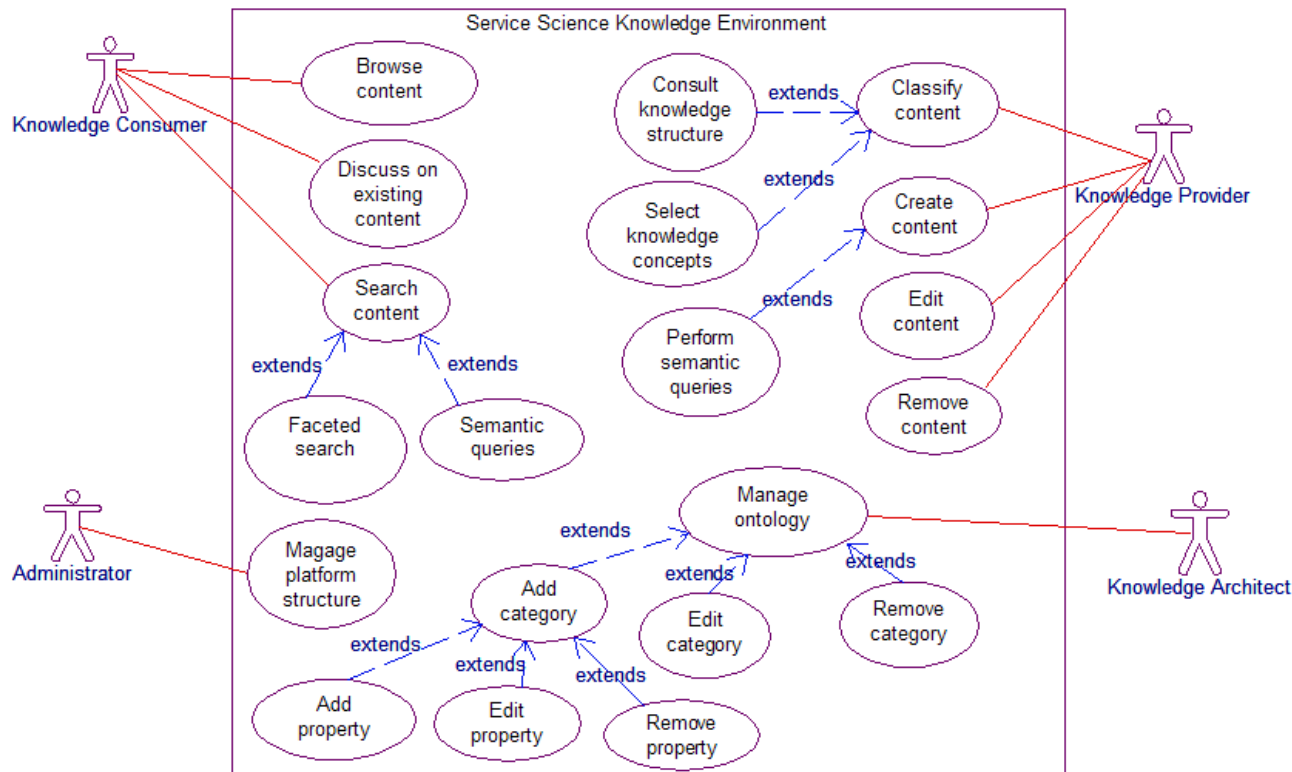


# Extending the General Ontology Structure for Service Science (2)

- new concept category: **ServiceMeasures**



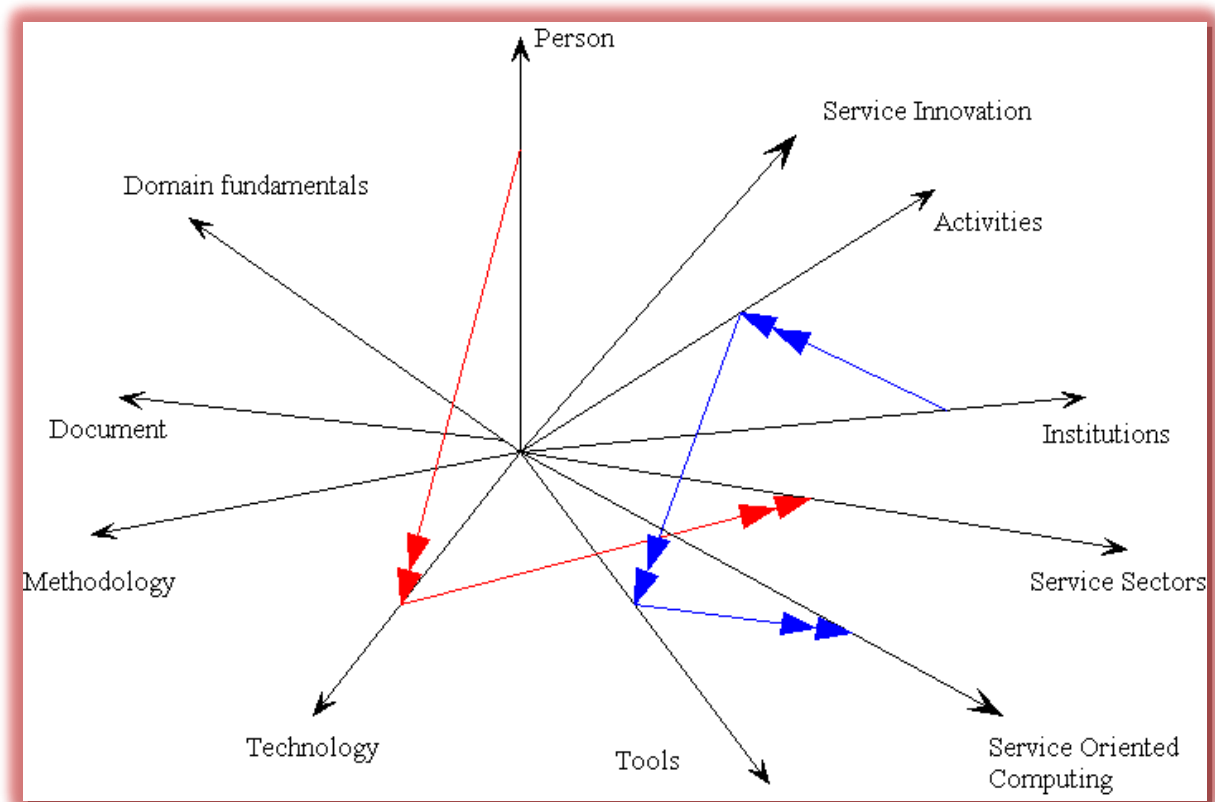
# SSKE - Knowledge Oriented Collaboration for Service Science



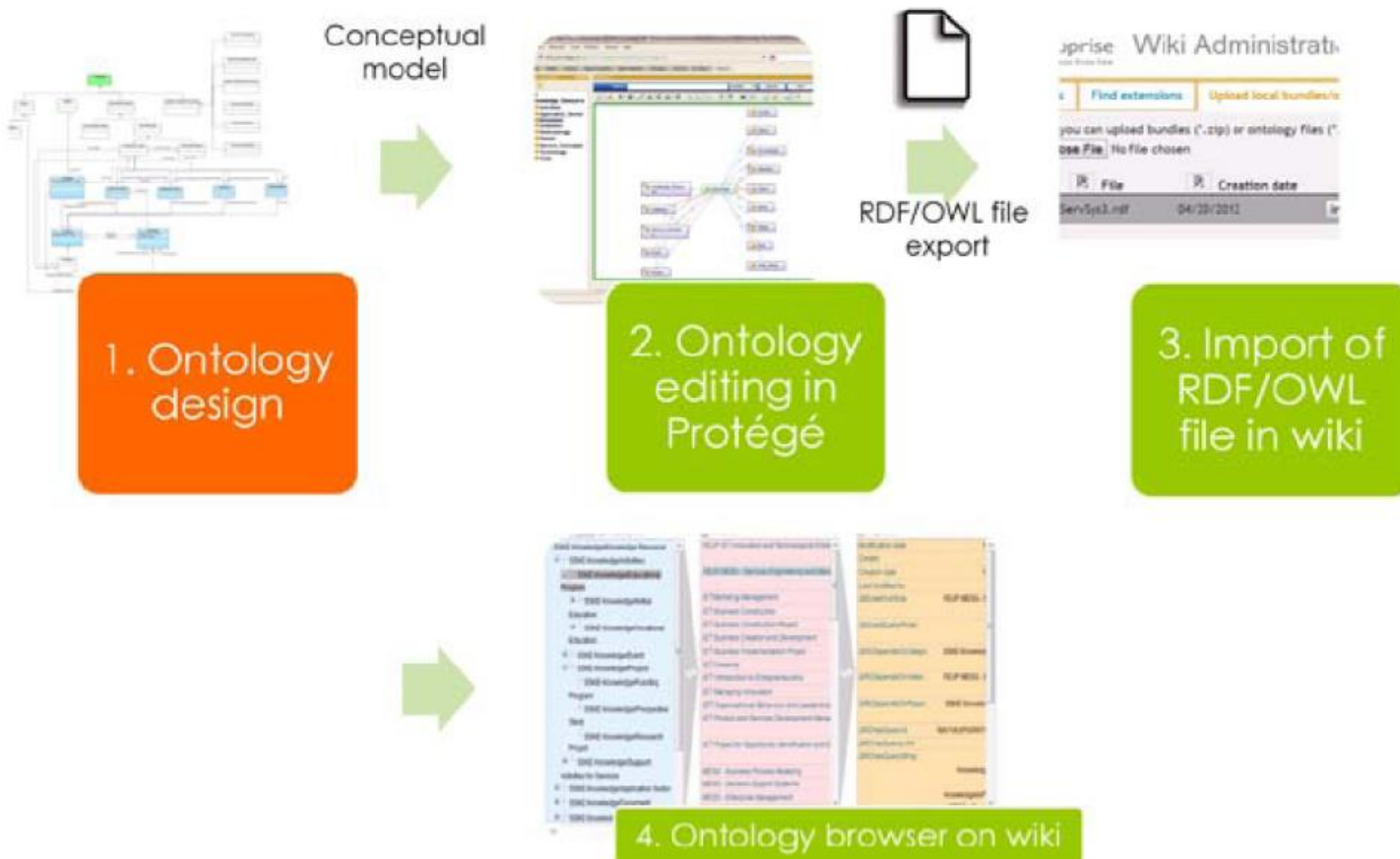


# SSKE – using the knowledge model

- a tree of interrelated concepts - an ontology  
- based classification
- aims at the creation of a digital library to include specific knowledge on Service Science.
  - to *classify* and to *manage* knowledge resources



# SSKE – Design (step 1)



# SSKE – Deployment (step 2)

- The SS-KE is the knowledge resource sharing component of the INSER@SPACE, using cloud computing technology



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The main goal the **Service Science Knowledge Environment (SSKE)** is to implement a collaborative environment that would gather together different academic partners with the overall aim of creating a modern educational framework in the areas of [Science](#), [Design](#) and [Management of services](#), by promoting [service innovation](#) in different [service sectors](#).

The **Service Science Knowledge Environment (SSKE)** targets also at creating a solid knowledge-based link between [academia](#), [industry](#) and [government](#), along with other [European institutions](#). It supports sharing relevant information on [Service Science](#) that would be stored in a structured way based on a common vocabulary using an integrated ontology.

The **Service Science Knowledge Environment (SSKE)** is delivered as a [service](#) in the [cloud](#). It will be further used for *managing service and service system related knowledge*. It intends to exploit the best opportunities for [business service innovation](#) using IBM cloud technology, which is used as a model for *information service innovation* through *virtualization* and improvement of *service front ends* for academia, industry, as well as other [stakeholders](#).

## Final remarks

- could the community use further the SSKE for ***managing service related knowledge***?
- is the Service Science community interested to foster ***knowledge-oriented collaboration*** on this common research and education topic?
  - is it possible to support the development of a common ***reference ontology*** for a group of organisations sharing the same business domain, i.e. Service Science?
    - interoperability of existing ontologies on Service Science: *merging / inclusion / mapping* ?
  - templates for contributors to the SSKE -  
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