

# How does your Business create value?

How can FLOSS help?

Efficiency

refine processes

Diversification

introduce new products

# Fostering Innovation through Open Source Software Involvement

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# Contributing to FLOSS: Direct Involvement

- ⇒ Steering (WIN for the company)
- ⇒ € / Manpower (WIN for the project)
- ⇒ Long term stability (Win for both sides)

Easy to dismiss?

Not so fast...

# Contributing to FLOSS: a SMB perspective

⇒ Opportunities / Business Cases

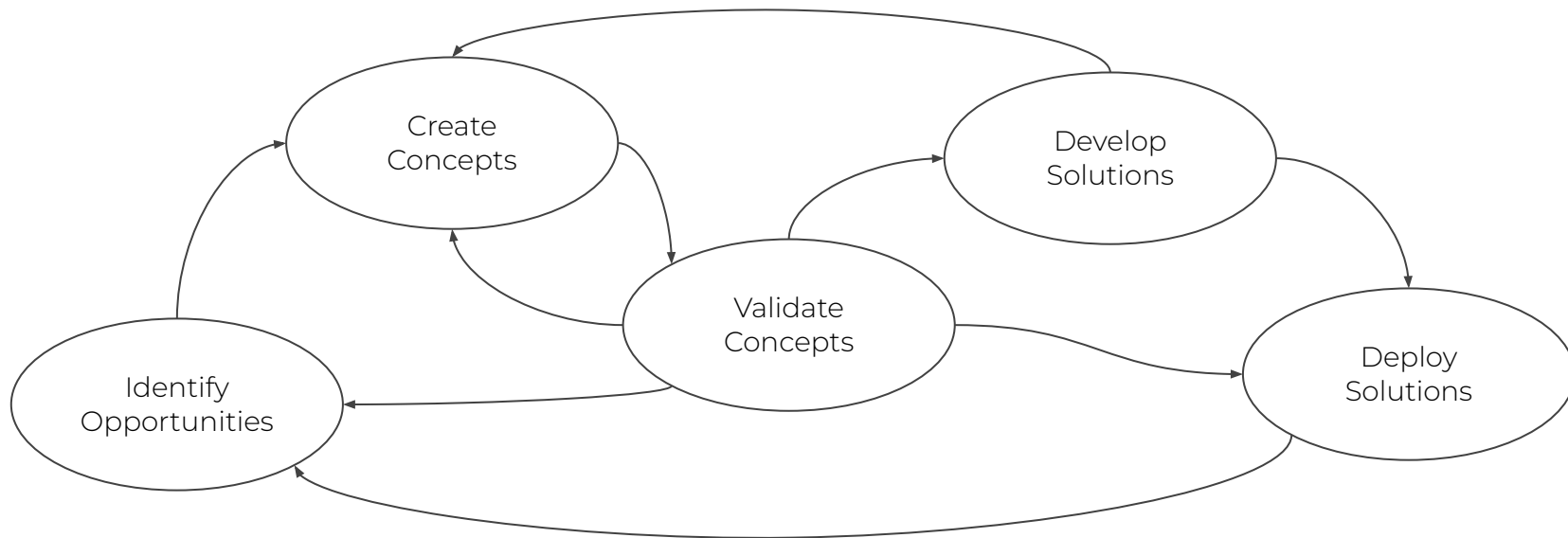
⇒ Concepts

⇒ Prototypes

Additional advantages for your staff:

⇒ “freedom” from business constraints

⇒ deal with unknowns (leave the comfort zone)

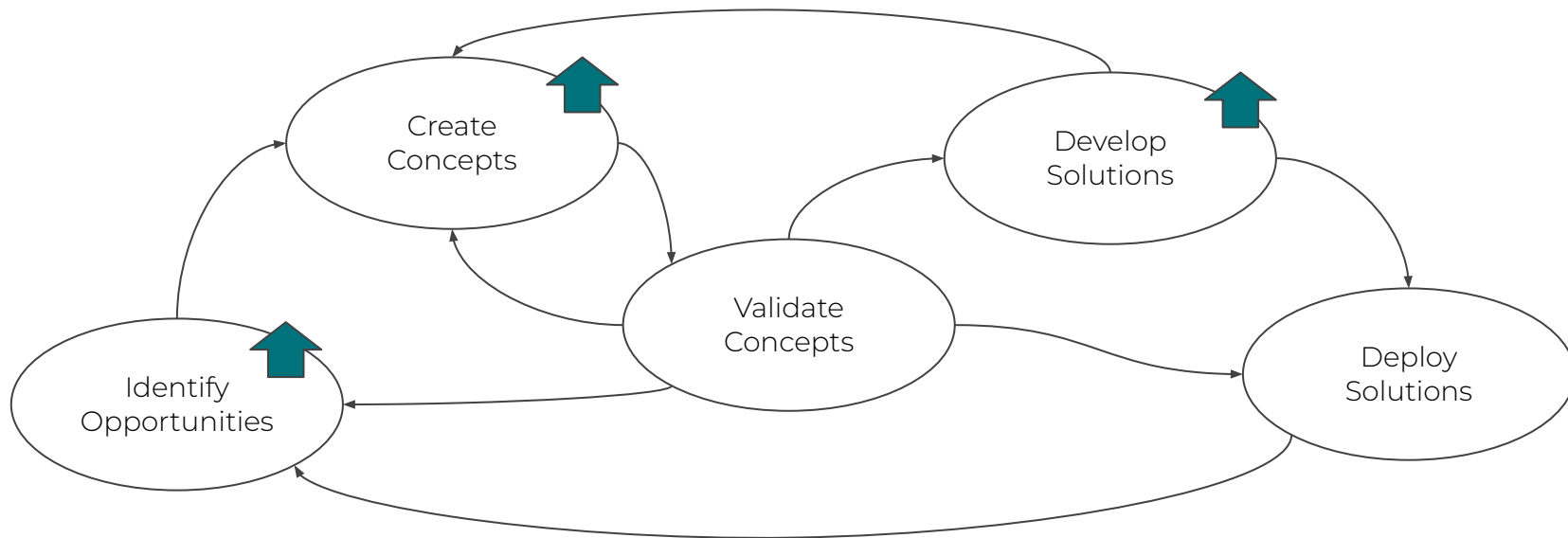


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Solutions

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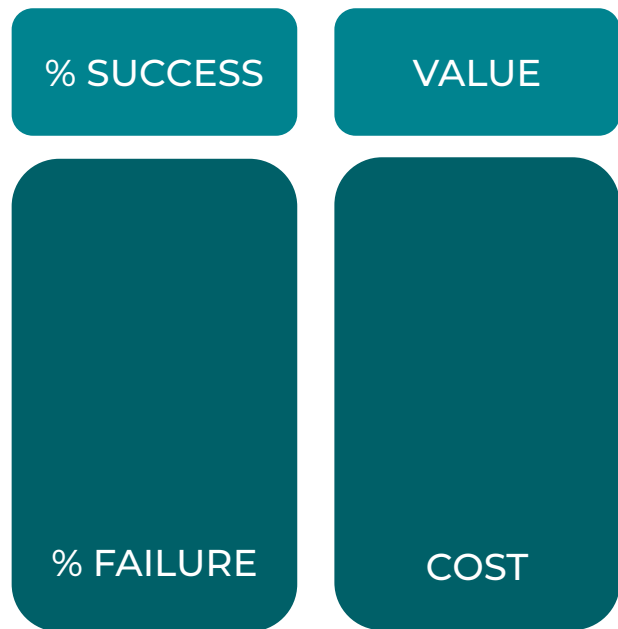
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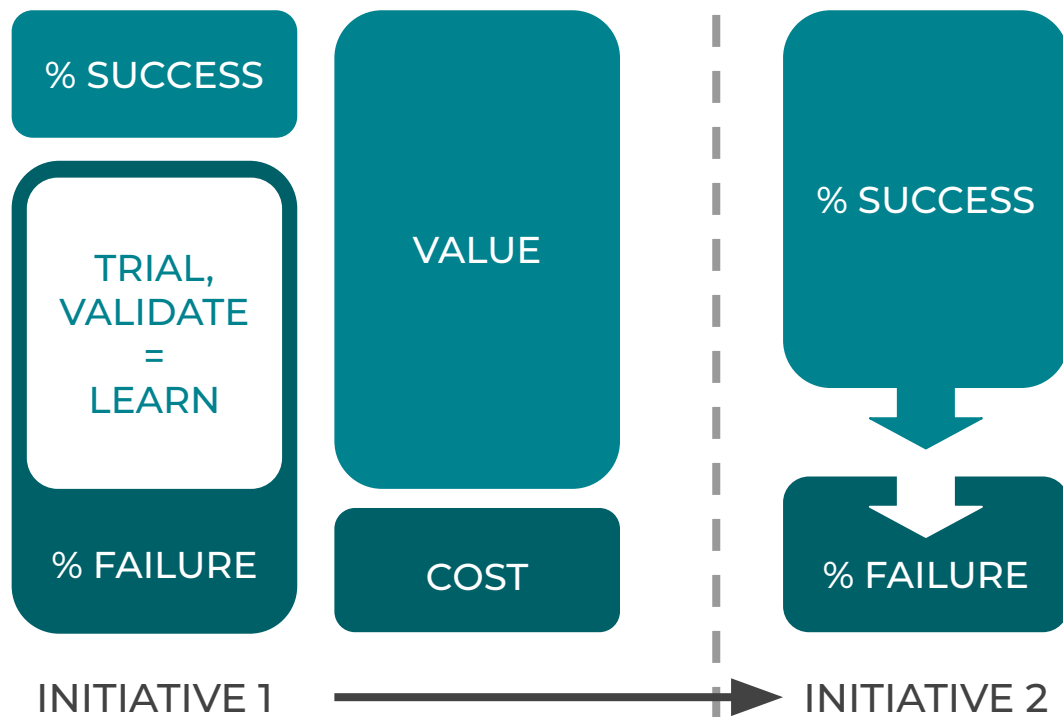


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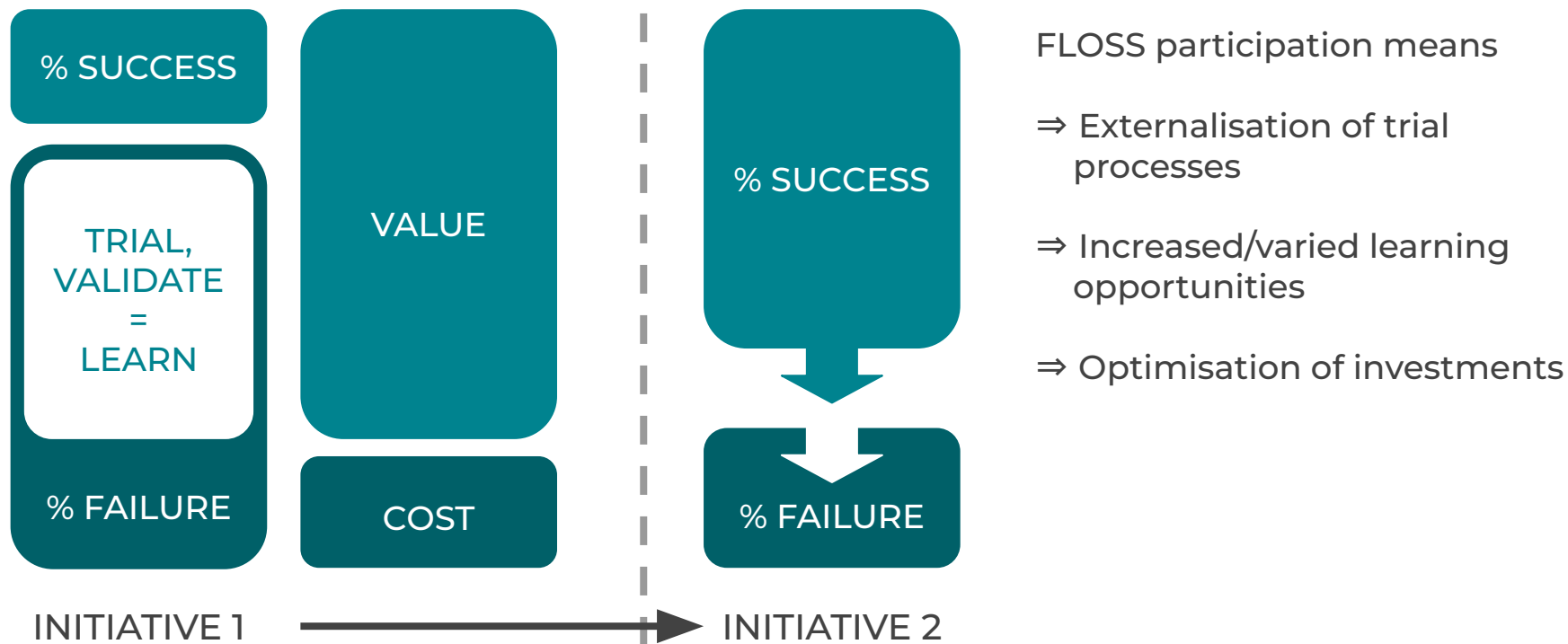


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# FLOSS is a Key Enabling Methodology

# How can FLOSS create value for your company?

## Efficiency

refine processes

⇒ Increase Learning Opportunities

## Diversification

introduce new products

⇒ Gather Novel Business Ideas

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# Advantages for the Management and Staff

## Divergent Thinking (find alternatives):

- Easier to practice in an environment that is free from business hierarchy
- Being confronted with unusual use cases helps overcoming “business blindness”

## Convergent Thinking (find connections):

- Easier to practice outside of one's comfort zone
- Linking use cases from unrelated businesses to the needs of the company

Both are crucial competences for successful brainstorming / creative processes.

The more you practice, the better you get! (online evaluation tests in the references)

# Thank You!

## Keep in touch

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