



### **Building SME Supplier Networks**

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#### Chemical and Chemistry Using Industries in Yorkshire and The Humber

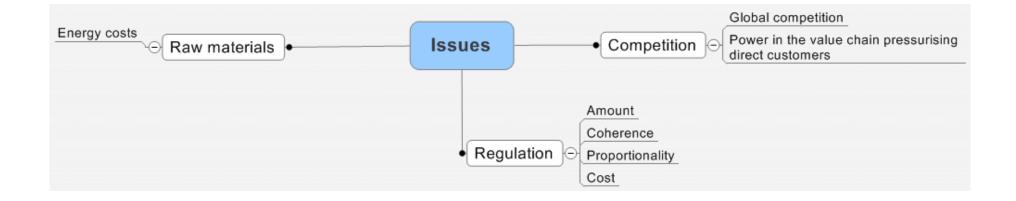
- 10% region's economy
- Turnover \$15 billion
- 450 sites
- 19,000 direct employees
- Majority products exported
- Multi-nationals to start-ups
- Bio-science, pharmaceuticals, agro-chemicals, paints, lubricants, plastics, adhesives & sealants, soaps, detergents and perfumes
- 5 highly rated universities





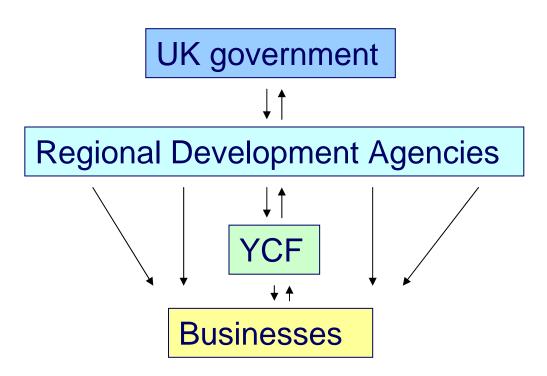
# **Issues Facing Our Industry**





### Intervention





• YCF's aim is to increase competitiveness and sustainability of the industry

### Strategic Thrust – New Ways of Doing Business

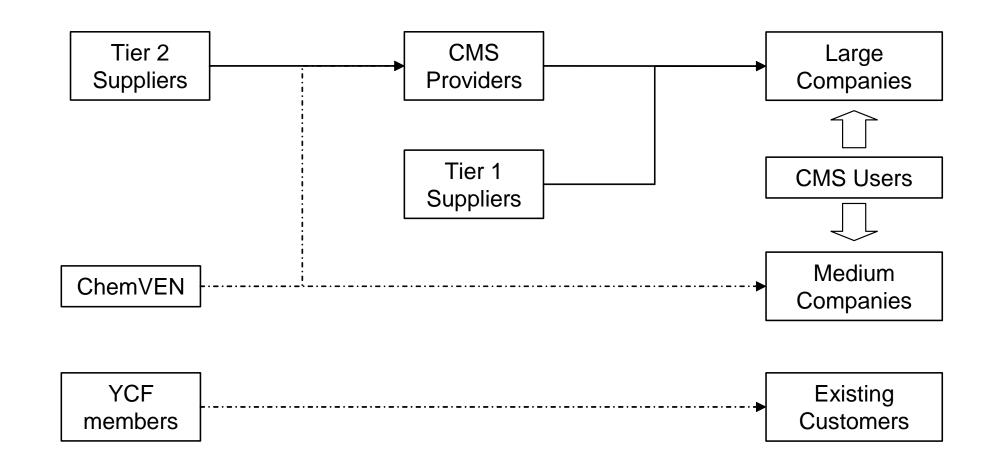
- Chemical Management Services
  - Pilot completed in 2006 in water treatment industry
- VEN
  - Enables a number of companies to act as one company (Virtual Factory) in meeting a customer need
  - Approach includes legal frameworks and open book costing amongst the VF members

## **CMS** and **VEN**



- ChemVEN pilot
  - VEN processes for the chemicals sector
  - Market opportunities
    - Sectors
    - Types of business
    - CMS
    - REACH

## ChemVEN & CMS



# **ChemVEN** and **REACH**



- Do the VEN approach and systems offer a framework to support companies in REACH implementation?
- SIEFs require
  - Mechanism to share data
  - An agreed modus operandi
  - Legal framework
    - To work together
    - Share costs
    - Settle disputes



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