

# The Grid of Multidisciplinary, Interdisciplinary and Transdisciplinary Education

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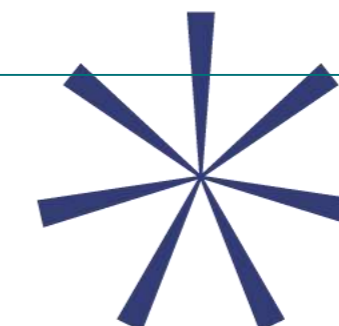
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# Dr. Shaked - Bio



- ✓ Ph.D. in Computational Linguistics in NLP from CUNY New York
- ✓ Head of MDS -Multidisciplinary Studies & CS Faculty member
- ✓ R&D in speech processing in Bell Labs, IBM & more
- ✓ Vast Industry experience: Speech platforms, VUI Dialog design, Call Center technologies and Multimodality
- ✓ Consulting for startups and enterprises
- ✓ My favorite: Avatars & Bots



AI



Multimodality

NLP



Ethics & AI



Conversational Interaction

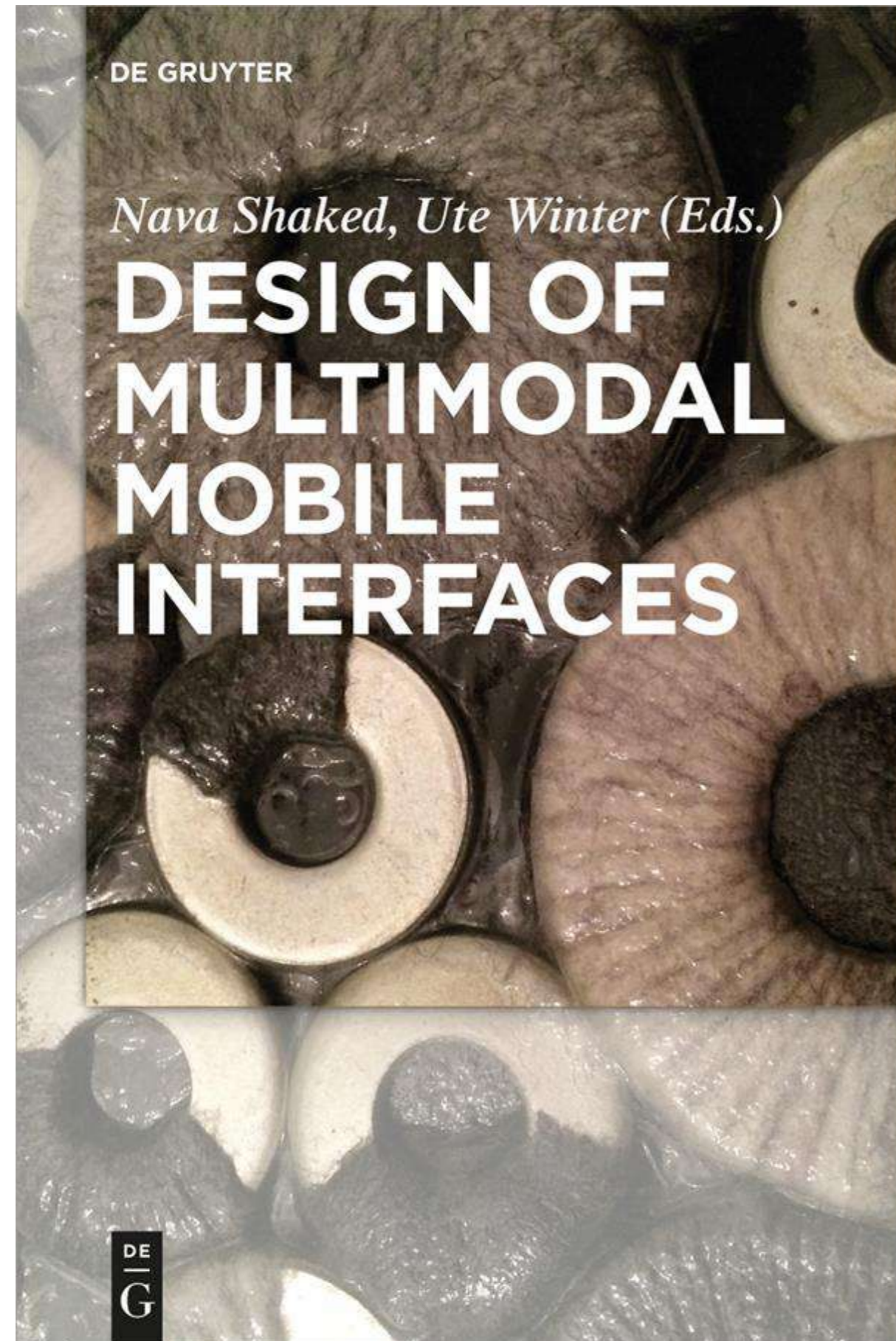


BOTS & AVATARS

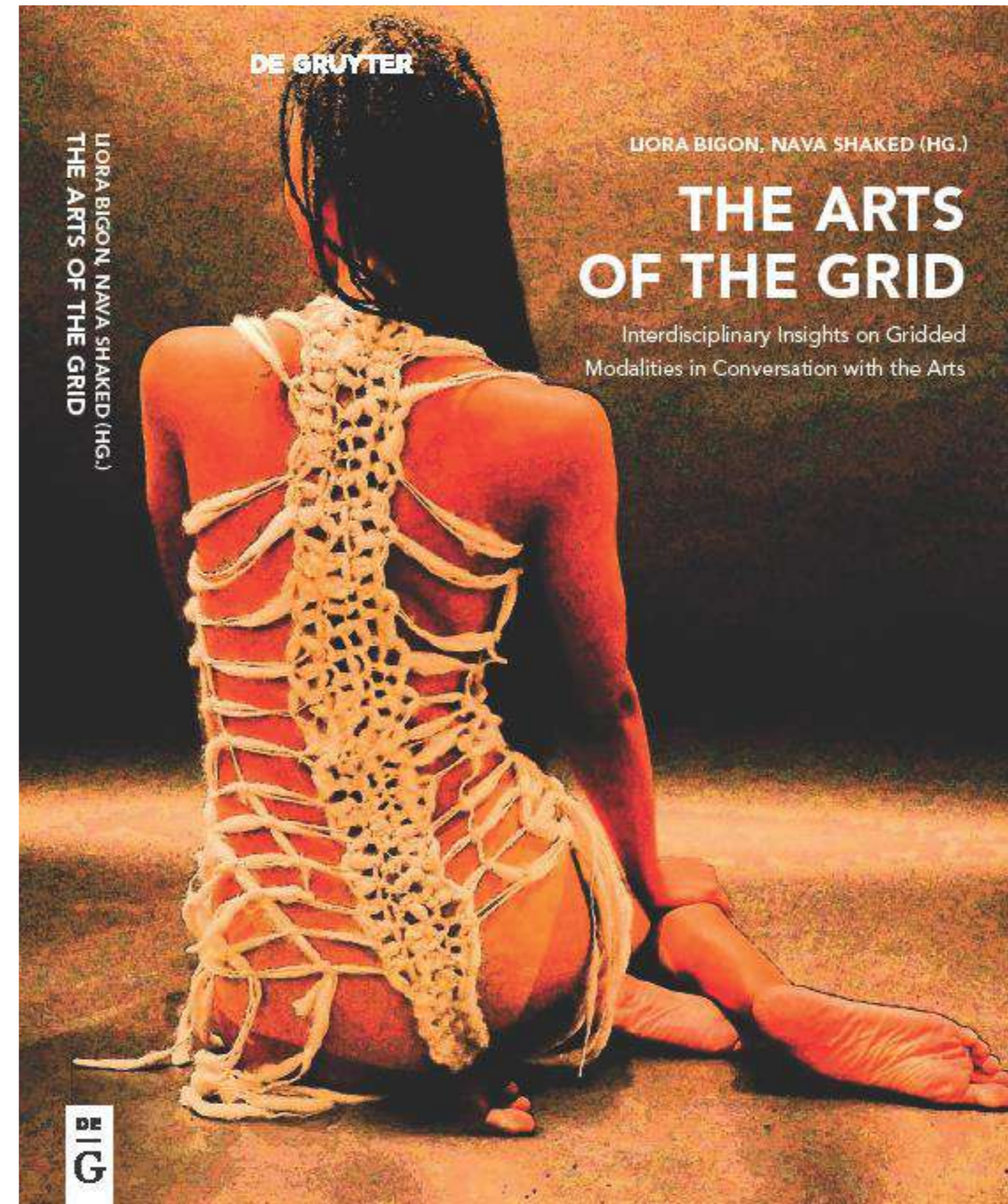
Speech processing



2016



2021



# What is the key for academic education in 2024

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# What does industry wants in the area of Digital Computing and AI?

- Agility
- Self learning
- Soft skills
- Adaptivity
- Leadership & Teamwork
- Contribution



# The Power of the Grid (definition)

## The challenge of Multi- Inter- Trans - Disciplinary education

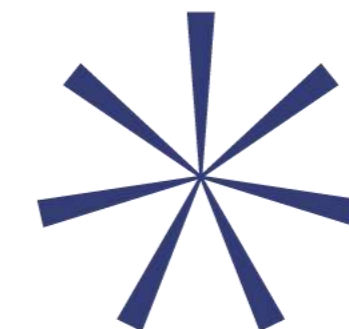
## Variations on the Theme

# Comfort



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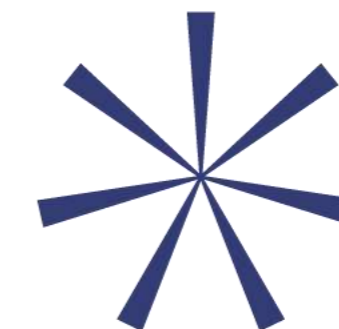


# Welcome to the School of Multidisciplinary Studies

2015 - cluster of courses

Jun 2018 - Department

Sep 2021 - School







Over **4000**  
students a  
year

**45** Lecturers

**60** courses offered

**30-50**  
students in  
class

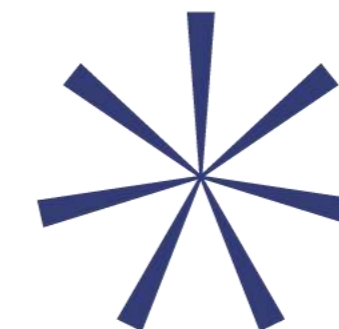
Average student  
feedback **5.3** (out  
of 6)

**90%** of the lecturers are DR. or  
Prof. level

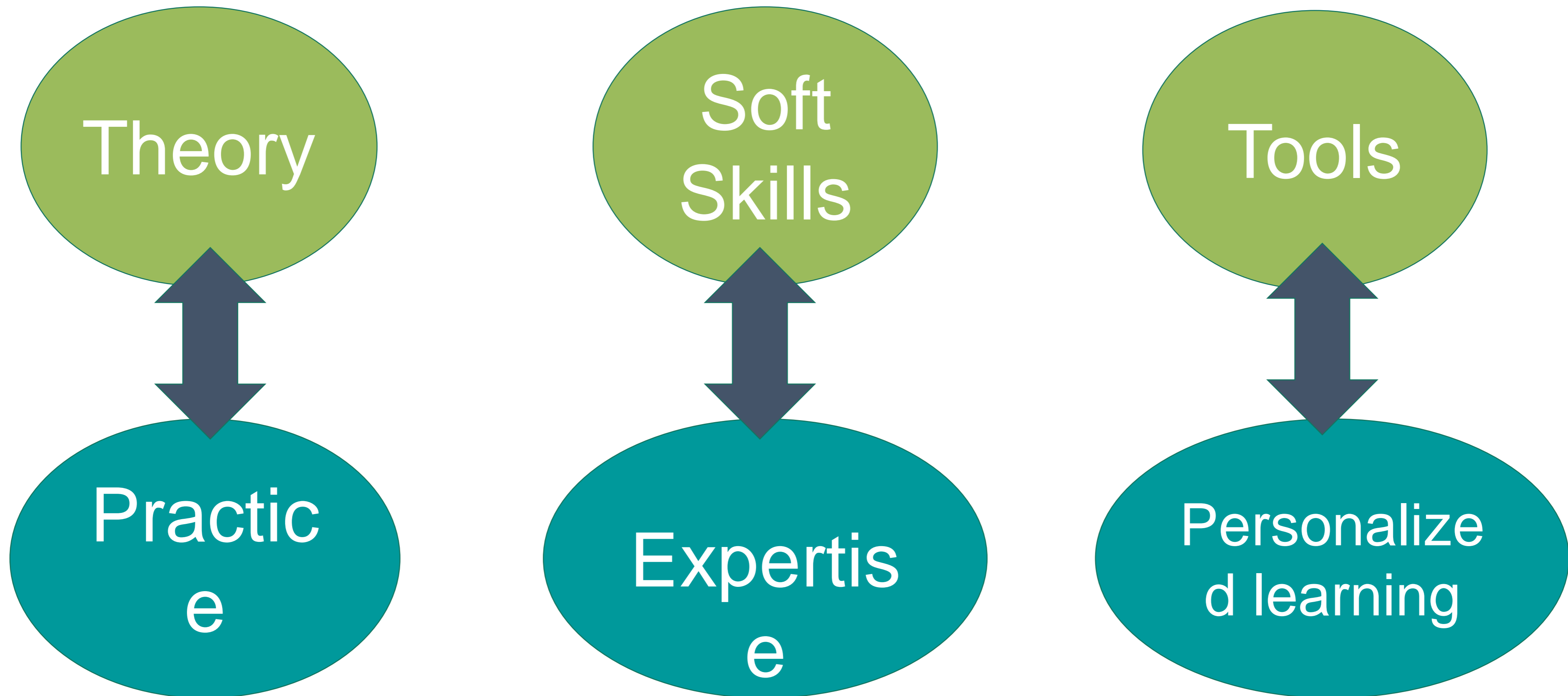
**Multidisciplinary – a choice, diversity,  
new knowledge**

**Interdisciplinary – skills, tools,  
combined knowledge**

**Transdisciplinary – dialog, practice,  
creativity**



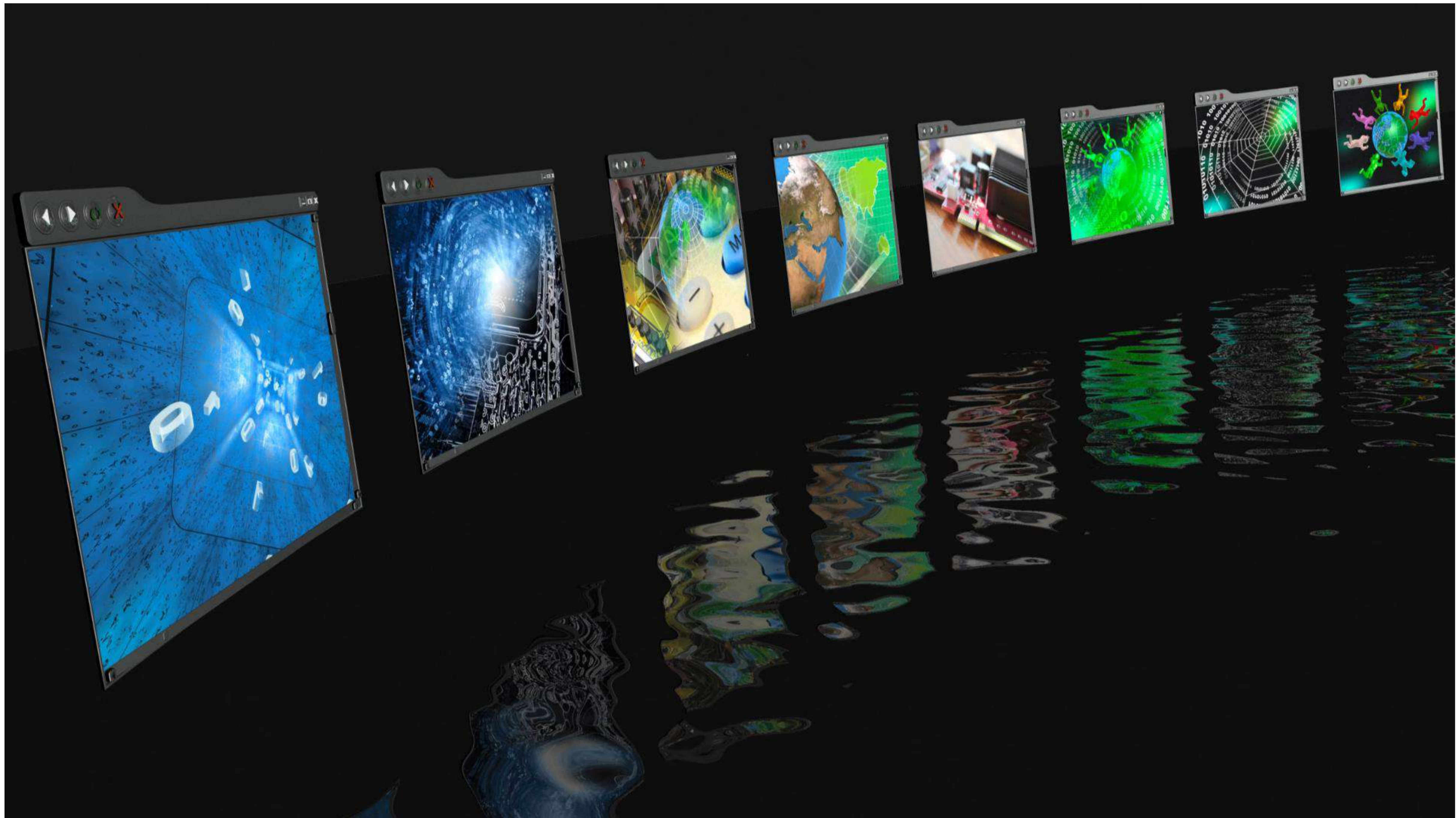
# The MSD Paradigm



# Step 1 - Meeting Point

**Students**  
**Lecturers**





# Step 2- Developing MD Language

- ✓ **Various points of view**
- ✓ **Professional Aspects**
- ✓ **Meeting point**





**What is the advantage  
of teaching together?**

# Step 3- new, combined and creative knowledge



**Biomimicry**

**Decision making**

**Wearable computing**

**Bio-Ethics**

**Freedom Fighters**

**Well being in a  
digital world**

**Innovation & new media**

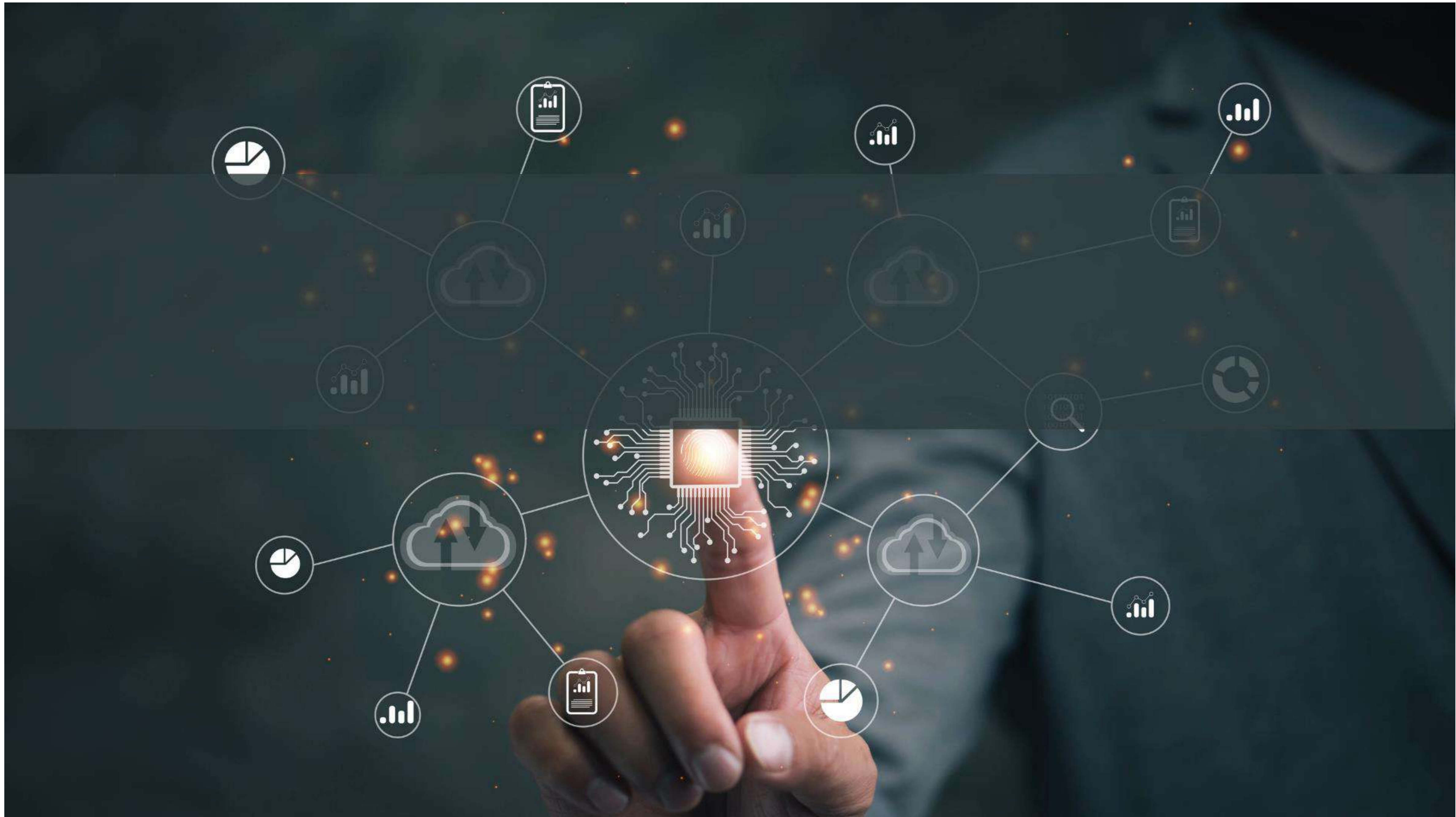
**How to evaluate a startup**

**Making Sense of complexity**

**Cyber**

**Political Campaigning**

**Technology and Market forces**



# Step 4: Teamwork

- ✓ PBL
- ✓ Multidisciplinary teams
- ✓ Critical thinking & debate
- ✓ Industry challenges





# Step 5: International Activities

Set of online courses in English

Cooperation for grants, research, and workshops

Erasmus mobility, blended, mundus

Publications of articles, scientific work and academic reports



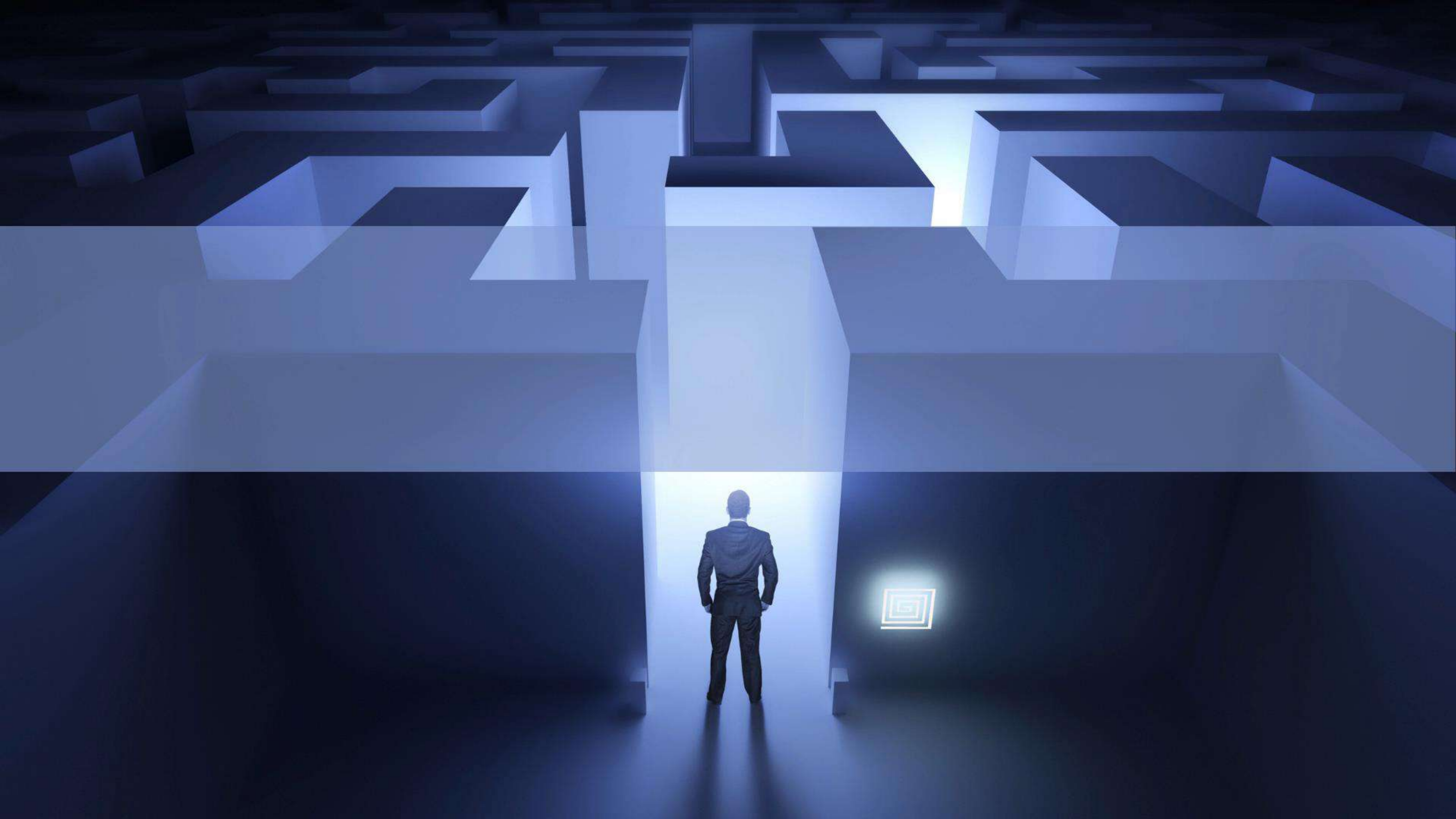




# Step 6: Facing the Challenges

- ✓ Creating a multidisciplinary Language
- ✓ Enabling creative & design thinking
- ✓ Project practice & teamwork
- ✓ Lecturing in tandem
- ✓ Hybrid & digital unites
- ✓ Quality Assessment
- ✓ Cooperation – inside & outside





**Social  
Science &  
Humanities**



**Teaching  
quality  
program**



**Industry  
orientation**



**Academic  
cooperation**



**International  
projects**



**Technology,  
Innovation &  
Entrepreneurship**



**Research**



**English Courses**

Why it grows better in the forest?



Its never competition, Its always collaboration

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πολύ!

