Propositions attached to the thesis

Creating Sustainable Industrial Clusters; How policy becomes durable

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- 1. While policy actors prefer to launch new policies, policy durability is more important for desired policy outcomes. (this thesis)
- 2. The policy to create sustainable industrial clusters requires, next to cooperation between departments, persistent commitments of one single 'policy champion'. (this thesis)
- 3. Although adaptability to changing environments is a positive feature for a durable policy, stability as the other positive feature contribute more to the wide diffusion of sustainable industrial clusters. (this thesis)
- 4. A good strategy to create durable policy ideas is materializing them. (this thesis)
- 5. Integrated interdisciplinary research, just as a policy process, is a translation process. (this thesis)
- 6. Environmental protection is a long-term challenge, but to deal with it policy actors need to focus on the present.
- 7. When the concept of sustainable industrial clusters is spread widely, it runs the risk of hollowing out.
- 8. It is easier to comprehend the policies of foreign countries than those of one's home country.
- 9. The chats in elevators show the significance of the sun to the Dutch and of food to the Chinese.
- 10. The moment that you think it is too late to do something is the right moment to do it.
- 11. Marriage is more than finding a right person, because one's understanding of the "right" person evolves with the unfolding of the marriage.