



Title of the project: Practice based research to enhance the innovation capacity of SMEs through learning and ICT supported collaboration

Key Action: Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices

Action: Strategic Partnerships

Field most impacted: Strategic Partnerships for vocational education and training

Main objective of the project: Development of Innovation

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ReInnovate a key element for innovation, training and formation

Practice based research learning material

Online learning material will be developed to allow the curriculum for a higher certificate in practice based research to be delivered to employees in SMEs in their workplace environment without having to spend long periods away from the workplace. It will be based on the learning methodology and curriculum identified in IO1

The main objectives are:

1. Develop the relevant learning material and learning support to deliver an Online program in practice based research for SMEs
2. Develop a tutor handbook to provide a structure and best practice approach to successfully deliver the modules
3. Translate the learning material and tutor handbook into five languages so it can be delivered in multiple countries

Learning material will be developed in the form of:

- 1) Videos
- 2) Text based material
- 3) Multimedia content
- 4) Sample research projects conducted in SMEs

In addition a tutor handbook will be developed for each module to guide the teacher delivering the module to ensure it is done so in line with best practice.

Currently research skills are integrated in overall award programs such as a degree, masters or PhD. This program aims to use research skills to teach employees in SMEs how to gather the knowledge they require to implement new opportunities in their organisation. They will be focused on developing context specific knowledge based on the innovation challenges raised by SMEs in the needs analysis. It will also develop an entrepreneurial culture through an inquiry led approach.

The higher certificate will be delivered Online over a 12 month period in which the individual will have to conduct a research project in their organisation through a guided process requiring them to

1. Reflect on their current work/function/organisation, using reflective research identify new opportunities which will add value for the customer and the business (Module 1)
2. Focusing on the opportunity which provides greatest value identify and develop a new process/product/service to avail of the opportunity (Module 2)
3. Examine models for offering the new concept to customers, implement this (Module 3)
4. Evaluating its success (Module 4)

The learner will be assigned a weekly schedule detailing what learning material needs to be covered and what tasks need to be completed. In addition they can avail of a weekly Online tutorial. They will be able to contact the course tutor via email or through the ICT platform messaging system. They will also be assigned an academic mentor to guide them through the process. In addition they will be able to avail of a peer learner network via the ICT platform

The learner will be required to produce a portfolio of work which will be assessed throughout each module. They will be given regular feedback

Learning material will be translated into all partner languages and will be made available through a variety of channels:

1. Project website
2. Collaborative ICT platform
3. You tube channel for the project

Training on Innovation Management and Technology Transfer- Synergies with others projects

Green SummerSchool, 25-28September 2018, Wien, Austria

In the framework of the Interregg Danube Transnational Programme [Ecolnn Danube](#) – Eco-innovatively connected Danube Region, *Green Summer School* was organized by the [EC Network of BOKU - Universität für Bodenkultur Wien](#), partner of Made in Danube project and Economicalnsitute of Economic research.



Ecolnn's overall aim is to boost ecoinnovation development by supporting cooperation between innovators, scientists and enterprises in the Danube Region.

In this context, Made in Danube Project was introduced to the participants as an example for transnational cooperation to promote Bioeconomy in the Danube Region, followed by a brief discussion.

The *Green Summer School* was meant for everybody interested in eco-innovation – students, green startup and entrepreneurs. It provided the necessary energy for individual ambitions, accompanied by an interactive programme for introducing into the concept of eco-innovation and visits to a start-up and UNIDO. Workshops took place for idea development and rhetorics to get mature for presentations to experts.

More... <http://www.boku.ac.at/en/fos/technologietransfer/ecn-entrepreneurship-center-network/green-summer-school/>

Leveraging Finance 4 positive Social Change

Finance4SocialChange brings together a multi-disciplinary quadruple-helix partnership of 14 partners from 12 countries, 6 ASPs from across Europe to deliver improved policy learning, and develops practical solutions on impact investing to better shape the regulatory framework for the proper functioning of the social financing sector in the Danube region. Finance4SocialChange works towards creating the first "Social Impact Investment Strategy for the Danube region" by paving the way for promoting more social innovations and social impact investment ready social enterprises.

Made in Danube was presented during Kick-Off for [Finance4SocialChange](#), Budapest, Hungary, 26-27 September 2018 and informed about our activities within the [#capitalization](#) strategy of the INTERREG [#DanubeTransnationalProgramme!](#)



Transnational Cluster Cooperation based on Smart Specialization Approach in Danube region – Danube S3 Cluster, Kick-Off event, Sinaia, Romania, 25-26 September



The project addresses the unbalanced distribution of innovation performances between Western part of the region with a high level of development and the Eastern part that is lagging behind, most of the countries belonging to the Modest Innovators group with more than 17% of enterprises producing only 3% of added value. Cluster cooperation policies based on the smart specialization concept are at the core of delivering the EUSDR strategy, as they help take the geographical/thematic context into account in order to boost growth.

At the Kick-off event participated more than 100 representatives of national/local public administration, business environment, agricultural research and development institutes, cluster representatives, chambers of commerce in the South-Muntenia

region, as well as the Danube S3 Cluster project partners. Made in Danube was presented as a partner project

More... <http://www.interreg-danube.eu/approved-projects/danube-s3-cluster>

Calls/

ProESOF call for proposals. Deadline February 2020

The call for proposals are launched by the TESI Local Programme Committee and is aimed to collect ideas, to support the development of initiatives which will enhance dissemination, education, networking, training from now on to 2020.

The Euroscience Open Forum (ESOF) is the largest interdisciplinary science meeting in Europe that offers a unique framework for interaction and discussion for scientists, innovators, policy makers, entrepreneurs and the general public.

Within the proESOF call, it is possible to submit proposals that fit in a big international programme of events on natural, social sciences and humanities and on science & society relationships, such as conferences, seminars, round tables, cultural events, etc. The projects will be evaluated every 3/4 months.

More... <http://www.proesof2020.eu/CallProEsof>; <http://www.proesof2020.eu/CallProEsof#programme>

Cooperation Programme – Central and Eastern Europe and Baden-Württemberg. Deadline 9 November 2018

The Programme European Cooperation for Future-Oriented Science and Education is focused on improving the knowledge base in research and innovation through mutual learning and to increase participation in excellent EU research and innovation activities. The programme will enable the participants from the EU-13 states and the partner countries of the Strategy for the Danube Region to gain insight into the higher education and research environment in Baden-Württemberg and to establish or deepen their relationships with partners from Baden-Württemberg.

The cooperation programme will take place in Baden-Württemberg from 5th to 9th November 2018, whereby the application must be submitted electronically to Baden-Württemberg International by 16th July 2018.

More... https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHS-11-version1-en_guidelines_cooperation_programme.pdf

Selection for your Agenda

- [COSME-call-co-financing-of-consortia-for-public-procurement-of-innovation](#). Deadline: 11 December 2018
- [Eureka-network-projects](#). Deadline: 31 December 2018
- [Eurostars-Eureka-transnational-network-R&D-projects-in-energy-field](#) Deadline 31 December 2018
- [Copernicus-incubation-programme](#) Deadline: 16 November 2018
- [Cosme/cos-ppi-2018-2-TETRAMAX-entrepreneurial-technology-transfer-experiments](#) Deadline: 11 December 2018
- [Alpine-space-open-calls-for-project-proposals](#) Deadline: 12 December 2018
- [H2020-Innovative-training-network](#) Deadline: 15 January 2019
- [Coalition-S-launch-plan-for-open-access/](#)

Events in the field of bioeconomy, technology transfer, innovation and business finding partners



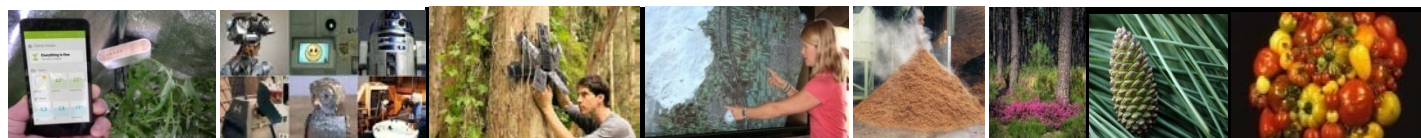
Brokerage Event Pollutec "Green Days" Lyon, France, 27-30 November 2018

Pollutec Lyon is the most important International Exhibition in environmental, energy equipments, technologies, services. In 2016, Pollutec Fair received 2,206 exhibitors and 60,834 visitors coming from 33 countries. The Brokerage event brought together 261 participants from 28 countries. 279 profiles were published, 634 bilateral meetings were organised. [More... https://www.b2match.eu/greendays2016-pollutec](https://www.b2match.eu/greendays2016-pollutec)

Selection for your Agenda

- 16-17 October, [From-linear-to-circular-how-R&I-can-transform-the-future-of-food-systems](#), Bruxelles, Belgium
- 17-18 October, [European Business Development Conference for Biotech](#), Hanover, Germany
- 17-18 October, [b2match-Marketplace-Austria-Food](#), Wien, Austria
- 22 October, [Sustainable-and-circular-Bioeconomy-the-European-way](#), Bruxelles, Belgium
- 24-25 October, [Smart-Energy-World-Summit](#), Milan, Italy
- 7-8 November, [European-biomass-to-power-Conference](#), Stockholm, Sweden
- 10 November, International SME Conference on Untapped Resources, <https://www.mbw.md/ro/schedule/>, Chisinau
- 4-6 December, [International Phytobiomes Conference](#), Montpellier, France
- December, 4th Edition of the National Forum of Women from Moldova, www.odimm.md, Chisinau

Technology Offers; Technology Request



Technology Offers

Biomass detection system in aquaculture based on optical sensors and neural networks	Spain
Platform based on QR codes for dynamic content management.	Spain
Power optimizer for photovoltaic modules	Germany
Lithuanian medical software manufacturer offers intelligent solution allowing a connection	Lithuania
Fault identification in direct current (DC) grids	Germany
Romanian company that delivers high-performance IT&C platforms for capital market....	Romania

Technology request

A Spanish company developing an industrial innovative material is looking for providers...	Spain
Spanish SME seeks partners providing a railway track section in Germany...	Spain
A German metal and plant construction company is looking via research cooperation for ...	Germany
Lithuanian governmental organization is seeking a solution how to create a real-time...	Lithuania
Lithuanian governmental organization is looking for a solution on how detect unsafe...	Lithuania
A Polish construction company is looking for a technology partner to develop a modular	Poland

Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Selection for your Agenda

- [Draft report on the Specific Programme implementing "Horizon Europe"](#)
- [Roadmap-ESFRI-2018-European-Research-Infrastructure](#)
- [UK-Food-Standards-Agency-completes-first-blockchain-pilot](#)
- [Norway-opens-the-first-digital-seafood-innovation-lab-in-the-world](#)

Clusters & SMEs



European Cluster Collaboration Platform

It is an open community. It is a service facility aiming to provide cluster organisations with modern tools that allow to:

- make efficient use of networking instruments (search/find potential partners and opportunities)
- develop collaboration trans-nationally (within Europe) and internationally (beyond Europe)
- support the emergence of new value chains through cross-sectorial cooperation
- access the latest quality information on cluster development
- improve their performance and increase their – as well as their members' - competitiveness.

[More... https://www.clustercollaboration.eu/](https://www.clustercollaboration.eu/)

Selection for your Agenda

- [Cluster-collaboration.eu/cluster-internationalisation](https://www.clustercollaboration.eu/cluster-internationalisation)
- [Shaping-the-future-of-Europea's-energy-policy](#)
- [Bleak-future-agricultural-innovation](#)
- [Biopilots4u.Open-acces-pilot-and-multipurpose-demo-infrastructures-for-the-European-Bio-economiy.eu](#)
- [Irish-institute-named-the-first-regional-cluster-for-smart-farming](#)

ReInnovate web site: <http://www.reinnovate2017.eu/>