



CLUSTERS3 Leveraging Cluster Policies for successful implementation of RIS3

Project background (WHY?)

Regional authorities across Europe are aware of the challenges and issues regarding SMEs dimension. And they know the importance of the contribution that can be expected from competent cluster organisations supported by a cluster policy.

CLUSTERS3 project engages seven regional and national authorities. All of them are willing to learn and improve their practices from this project. Participation of the global TCI Network of practitioners and experts as advisory partner reveals also the interest of this issue at a larger scale.

Project objective (WHAT?)

CLUSTERS3 main objective is to improve the implementation of cluster policies and their coordination with other competitiveness related policies, in the framework of RIS3, boosting Growth and Job creation through the insertion of SMEs in Global Value Chains.

TOPICS

- Design and deployment of Cluster Policy
- Implement the Policy through specific support instruments & programmes
- Development of Cluster Policy & Alignment with RIS3
- Monitoring & Evaluation of cluster performance & cluster programmes.
- Internationalisation of Cluster Organisations
- Building the Capacity of Cluster Organisations

Project methodology (HOW?)

Phase 1: EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE

IWs-Interregional Workshops including SG meeting, study visit and workshop to exchange experience



Intra-regional Meetings with regional stakeholders to share and validate

1. Regional Diagnosis
SWOT & Interviews

Joint Policy Learning Document
(Regional Cluster and policy
SWOT analysis and agenda)

2. Peer Review Exercises
in 6 regions

Policy Learning Document
(Peer Review exercises.
Lessons learnt)

3. GP's identified
and transferred

Joint Policy Learning Document
(Good Practises and IWS summary)

1 ACTION PLAN PER REGION

Phase 2: IMPLEMENTATION

Project partners (WHO?)

1. SPRI Society for Competitive Transformation (Business Development Agency of the Basque Government) ES
2. Tecnalía Research & Innovation Foundation ES
3. Lubelskie Voivodeship PL
4. Piedmont Region IT
5. Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia LV
6. Hajdú - Bihar County Council HU
7. Highlands and Islands Enterprise UK
8. Invest Northern Ireland UK
9. TCI Network

General facts

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Technological Development
and Innovation

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Improving innovation
delivery policies

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