

Newsletter

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Made in Danube: Bioeconomy a key element for smart and green growth in Europe and the Danube Region

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the first edition of the newsletter of the **Made in Danube** project. **Made in Danube** is a strategic project implemented by the INTERREG Danube Transnational programme co-financed by European Union funds. Its objective is to promote Bioeconomy in the Danube Region by supporting 3 viable innovation hubs in the field of forestry, agriculture and biofuel. **Made in Danube** has started in January 2017 and this 1st newsletter presents the project's progress so far, highlighting meetings, events, new calls and synergies with other projects. But we also look on the future of the project by delivering updates and information on recent events, offers and requests in the field of Technology Transfer and Bioeconomy. Our newsletters will inform you quarterly about the progress of the project. We welcome your contributions and inputs. Stay tuned and enjoy reading!

Yours sincerely,

Made in Danube consortium

Made in Danube Project

The rising population and associated demand for renewable biological resources make **Bioeconomy** (agriculture, forestry, bio-energy) a key element for smart and green growth in Europe and the Danube Region. Successful development of innovative services and new products in this field highly depend on an efficient collaboration between research and innovation organizations and regional companies. **Made in Danube** will try to improve the conditions for the cooperation by:

- *Developing a "Common Strategy to transform ideas into marketable products and services for the regional Initiatives";*
- *Integrating three existing regional initiatives:*
 1. Smart and innovative precision farming (Nitra, Slovakia);
 2. Competence Center in Wood Sector (Vukovar, Croatia);
 3. Biofuel (Novi Sad, Serbia)
- *Support good practices exchange in technology transfer/innovation partnerships by establishing a transnational network*
- *Developing tools and services (Innovation Audits, Technology Offers / Technology Request, Brokerage Events and Training Tool KITs) to implement concrete transnational collaboration projects.*

Made in Danube will further implement the developed tools and aims to facilitate knowledge sharing between research institutions and companies, towards building a total of 15 sustainable bioeconomy-based innovation partnerships involving 40 regional companies. **Made in Danube** will not only contribute to the competitiveness of SMEs in the South-Eastern Danube Region but also generate significant change for the entire area by supporting regional Smart Specialization Strategies.

Involving 15 project partners and 3 associated strategic partners from 10 Danube Region countries, **Made in Danube** will generate significant changes throughout the entire Danube Region in order to improve framework conditions for innovation and support the implementation of regional Smart Specialization Strategies.

More... <http://www.interreg-danube.eu/made-in-danube>



Made in Danube - March, 21st - 22nd, 2017, International Kick-Off Meeting and Kick-Off Event, Stuttgart, Germany



Lead partner Steinbeis-Europa-Zentrum and the consortium of the Interreg project **Made in Danube** organized the international Kick-off Meeting and Kick-Off Event.

Both events marked the official launch of the project and brought together around 80 participants from all Danube Region.

During the Kick-Off Event, project stakeholders, representatives from regional SMEs, higher education and research institutions, innovating centers, regional public authorities as well as the general public had the opportunity to meet and share their perspective on **Bioeconomy**, focusing on sustainable agriculture, forestry and bioenergy. Participants had the opportunity to take part in one of the three following parallel sessions:

1. **Smart and innovative precision farming** – held by Transfer Center at Slovak University of Agriculture, Nitra, Slovakia
2. **Competence Center in Wood Sector** – held by Vukovar-Srijem County Development Agency HRAST, Vukovar, Croatia
3. **Biofuel** – held by University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Technical Sciences, Novi Sad, Serbia

The presentations and a selection of pictures are available [here](#) ; Pictures from the Kick-Off Meeting are available [here](#)

More... <http://www.interreg-danube.eu/news-and-events/project-news/263>



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 <https://www.facebook.com/Made-in-Danube>

 <https://www.linkedin.com/in/made-in-danube>

Website <http://www.interreg-danube.eu/made-in-danube>

Synergies with others projects: DanuBioValNet

DanuBioValNet - Cross-clustering partnership for boosting eco-innovation by developing a joint bio-based value-added network for the Danube Region

The transition of a fossil-based to a bio-based industry addresses some of the main challenges identified in the Danube region. The dependency on fossil resources will be reduced and climate change targets be supported by reducing the GHG emissions. Furthermore the eco-innovations will support the regional development by diversifying the local economy and creating new employment opportunities.

The development of new bio-based value chains from primary production to consumer markets needs to be done by connecting enterprises from different regions and industries. But due to a missing holistic transnational approach Danube actors in bio-based industry still operate disconnected and cannot properly benefit from the potential.

Therefore the aim of this project is to develop new methods and tools to connect enterprises transnationally. Clusters as the representatives of many enterprises are chosen to organise the industry cooperations and creation of new value chains, because they are sustainable partners and guarantee the upgradeability in the dimension industry, sciences and politics.

DanuBioValNet – Kick off Conference, and C2C brokerage event, 30/3/2017 in Prague

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

Bioeconomy Forum

Europe is setting course for a resource-efficient and sustainable economy

The goal is a more innovative, low-emissions economy, reconciling demands for sustainable agriculture, fisheries, food security, the sustainable use of renewable biological resources for industrial purposes. The EC has set a [Bioeconomy Strategy](#) and action plan which focuses on three key aspects: developing new technologies/processes for the bioeconomy; developing markets/competitiveness in bioeconomy sectors; pushing policymakers/stakeholders to work closely together.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/research/bioeconomy/index.cfm?pg=policy>

The Bioeconomy to 2030: designing a policy agenda

The biological sciences are adding value to a host of products/services, producing, the bioeconomy that refers to the set of economic activities relating to the invention, development, production, use of biological products/processes.

More... <http://www.oecd.org/futures/long-termtechnologicalsocietalchallenges/thebioeconomyto2030>

ManagEnergy initiative

In the next 3 years the "ManagEnergy" initiative will organize Master classes and peer-to-peer coaching to raise the skills of local and regional energy agencies in energy efficiency, financing and project development.

A first Master Class is expected to be held in Brussels by the end of 2017, so call for applications should start after summer.

More... <https://web.archive.org/web/20160129220819/http://www.managenergy.net/>, EASME-Energy@ec.europa.eu.

Danube-INCO.NET position papers related to Bioeconomy

2 position papers have been elaborated by Danube-INCO.Net 2016: DanuBioNet position paper for the development of Bioeconomy in the Danube region and Bioeconomy for the Danube region.

More... <https://danube-inco.net/object/document/18543>

What's New in the Geothermal, Biomass and Hydropower Industries

A quick check-in on the renewable technologies that will keep the lights on when the world runs on 100 percent renewable.

More... <http://www.renewableenergyworld.com/articles/bioenergynews>

Calls

Joint Programming Initiatives (JPIs)

The joint programming concept was introduced by the European Commission in July 2008 to support the implementation of the European Research Area. The objective of joint programming is to 'increase the value of relevant national and EU R&D funding by concerted and joint planning, implementation and evaluation of national research programmes'.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/research/bioeconomy/index.cfm?pg=policy&lib=jpi>

HORIZON 2020 - Work Programme 2016-2017, Food security, sustainable agriculture, forestry, and the bioeconomy

This call will encompass the production, mobilization, use of biomass including new business/service models, to sustainably secure raw material supply for industrial products taking into account potential trade-offs of competing land-uses. It will consider stakeholders engagement/demand-side measures supporting market development of bio-based products.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/wp/2016_2017/main/h2020-wp1617-food_en.pdf#page=157

H2020 backs 8 new energy efficiency with multimillion euro funding

The European Commission has announced the details of eight new energy efficiency projects that have won €18m in funding from Horizon 2020. According to the EU institution, the projects aim to 'facilitate the implementation of nearly-zero energy buildings; enhancing sustainable energy and deploying a new generation of intelligent district heating and cooling networks.'

More... <http://horizon2020projects.com/sc-energy/h2020-backs-energy-efficiency-with-multimillion-euro-funding/>

Biotechnology for a sustainable bioeconomy, full stage, Deadline: 22 May 2017

The aim of the co-funded call is to contribute to transforming the global economy from a dependence on fossil raw material to a sustainable bio-based economy. The submitted pre-proposals must be multidisciplinary.

More... <http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/funding/filter/biotechnology-for-a-sustainable-bioeconomy/>

EUREKA – EUROSTARS programme

EUREKA is an intergovernmental organization for market-driven industrial R&D. It is a decentralized network facilitating the coordination of national funding on innovation aiming to boost the productivity & competitiveness of EU industries. The network integrates over 40 pan-European economies, but also includes Israel, South Korea, and Canada. Following a bottom-up approach with projects being in any technological area, including agriculture, forestry, bio-energy, with a civilian purpose, **EUREKA** has been the driving force of innovation in Europe for over 30 years.

More... <http://www.eurekanetwork.org/> ; <http://eureka.cmail20.com>

EUREKA - Danube region call for projects

Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary and Romania are announcing the 2nd Call EUREKA Danube for Proposals for joint R&D projects, focusing on developing innovative products and applications in all technological and application areas. Applicants are expected to develop ready to market solutions or projects which have strong market potential for all involved participants.

More... <http://www.eurekanetwork.org/content/danube-region-call-projects>

3rd call for Interreg Europe project proposals is now open

Interreg Europe is calling for project proposals dealing with one of four topics: research and innovation, SME competitiveness, low-carbon economy, or environment and resource efficiency. The call is open until 30 June 2017.

By supporting interregional cooperation projects, Interreg Europe helps local, regional and national governments and public authorities across Europe develop and deliver better policy by sharing solutions with each other.

More... <http://www.interregeurope.eu/projects/apply-for-funding/>

Erasmus+ Programme - Call for Proposals 2017. Deadline: October 4, 2017

General call for proposals for the Erasmus+ Programme in 2017, containing the indicative budget and deadlines.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/calls-for-proposals-tenders/2016-eac-a03_en

Secure, Clean and Efficient Energy

The Energy Challenge is structured around seven specific objectives and research areas:

- Reducing energy consumption and carbon footprint
- Low-cost, low-carbon electricity supply
- Alternative fuels and mobile energy sources
- New knowledge and technologies
- Robust decision making and public engagement
- Market uptake of energy and ICT innovation.

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/Secure-Clean-and-Efficient-Energy>

FET Funding Opportunities - FET Open funding opportunities for Research projects

Under Horizon 2020, FET Open continues its mission to support early-stage joint science and technology research around new ideas for radically new future technologies, in all technological areas.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/fet-open>

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



Invitation: 2nd Priority Areas (PA) Cross-fertilization Workshop, 25 April 2017, Vukovar, Croatia

It is our pleasure to invite you to the 2nd PA Cross-fertilization Workshop on 25th April 2017 in Vukovar/Croatia. Steinbeis-Europa-Zentrum, as Working Group "Innovation and Technology Transfer" Coordinator in Priority Area 8, and Work Package Leader in the [DANUBE-INCO.NET](http://danube-incoco.net) project will organize the event together with EKO-SUSTAV Ltd and Competence Centre (Vukovar, Croatia).

The objective of the Workshop is to open PAs Cross-fertilization perspectives on Competitiveness and Internationalization of SMEs in Bioeconomy in Danube Region with the participation of relevant representatives of the area of R&I.

The event will be organized in the Conference Hall in Vukovar-Srijem County (Županijska 9, 32000 Vukovar, Croatia).

More... please contact: Isabel Trömel, Email: troemel@steinbeis-europa.de, Tel: +49 721 93519 133

Information & Networking Event on the 2017 funding opportunities for green technology, nature conservation and climate projects under the EU's LIFE programme, May, 31, 2017, Brussels

As part of the EU Green Week, the European Commission is organizing information and networking event to advise applicants on the [LIFE programme's 2017 call for traditional projects](http://ec.europa.eu/life-programme/2017-call-for-traditional-projects).

The call for proposals will be launched on 28 April, with deadlines in September 2017.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/news/information-networking-event-life-2017-call-project-proposals>

E² Tech4Cities Brokerage Event 2017, during the EU Sustainable Energy Week, June, 23, 2017, Brussels

Find your next research, technology or financial partner. One movement to Brussels, multiple business opportunities!

What's in for you as a potential participant?

- Find & meet **your next research & technology partner** @ E² Tech4Cities Brokerage event
- Take the chance to meet **potential investors** to develop your project idea
- Pave the way to **long-term technological, R&DI collaborations** based on tech transfer, innovation and research activities, to develop, market sustainable, **efficient solutions for cities**, in line with your business development strategy
- Participate in the matchmaking event & follow the presentations, workshops, exhibitions held during the EU Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) since the brokerage is near the heart of the European District.

More... <https://www.b2match.eu/e2tech4cities2017>

Close-to-market EUREKA event, Barcelona 15-19 May 2017

Join the biggest close-to-market event in Barcelona with a focus on smart technologies such as Clean Tech, Digital Society, Bioeconomy, Health&Biomedical, Industry 4.0, advanced materials and Smart transport and Infrastructure.

More... http://www.cdti.es/index.asp?idioma=2&MS=193&MN=3&IDR=2550&r=1920*1080;

London Space Week, 4th and 5th of October 2017, Glaziers Hall in London

The event is based on **pre-planned Business2Business meetings**, with conferences and a Startup Challenge dedicated to our pre-selected 18 start-ups who are going to pitch about their latest innovation.

This event allows you to get in touch with other companies actively working in the **space industry**.

More... Maxine BENACOM phone: +33 146 901 902 email: maxine@london-space-week-meetings.com

6th International Bioeconomy Conference, May 10-11, 2017 - Halle, Germany

The conference is regarded as one of the most important bioeconomy events in Germany. Every year it brings together internationally renowned representatives of science and industry to discuss the latest research findings, innovations and current developments on the market.

More... <https://www.bioeconomy-conference.de/index.php?id=2&L=1>

Horizon 2020 Societal Challenge Info week, Brokerage event, 14-17 November 2017, Brussels

The Research Executive Agency (REA), the Directorate-General for Research and Innovation (DG RTD) and the Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development (DG AGRI) of the European Commission are co-organizing an Info Week on Horizon 2020 Societal Challenge 2 (SC2) 'Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry and the bioeconomy'.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/news/horizon-2020-societal-challenge-2-infoweek>

Green chemistry and White biotechnology: Industry of the future, May 22-23, 2017 - Mons, Belgium

The purpose of the conferences is to take stock of the innovative technology used to boost activities in the fields of green chemistry and white biotechnology around the world, to share knowledge and encourage the creation of new R&D projects involving the academic world, research centers and industrial players in the sector.

More... <http://www.greenwin.be/fr/event/consult/115>

European Biomass Conference & Exhibition, June 12-15, 2017 - Stockholm, Sweden

As one of the world's leading R&D conference combined with an international exhibition, the **EUBCE** represents the leading platform for the collection, exchange and dissemination of scientific expertise in the field of biomass.

More... <http://www.eubce.com/home.html>

Biotech/Bioeconomy IP Training for Exploitation of EU funded project results, 10-11 May 2017, Prague, Czech Rep.

You are hereby invited to a free, EU funded training seminar on IP in the fields with a focus on better exploitation and use of results of EU funded projects. This seminar is organized by the European IPR Helpdesk, Enterprise Network Europe, and Fit for Health 2.0. The deadline for registration is 2nd of May 2017.

Registration, **More....** https://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/event/3908-FFH2.0_EUIPRHD_Prague_2017

Virtual classroom sessions on technology commercialization; 8 – 24 May 2017, online

The European Patent Academy is organizing a series of virtual classroom sessions introducing technology commercialization. The lessons are based on ip4inno training modules, specifically designed for companies, business advisors, technology transfer offices and others aiming to utilize intellectual property in their businesses.

More... <https://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/event/3967-technology-commercialisation>

The European Capital of Innovation 2017 is open! - Bioeconomy a key element for smart and green growth in Europe

It was launched the 3rd edition of the European Capital of Innovation award: <https://twitter.com/Moedas/Status>

If you have any question about the competition, you can contact: RTD-I-CAPITAL@ec.europa.eu

Deadline for applications: 21 June 2017, 17:00 (Brussels time).

More... www.ec.europa.eu/icapital

Workshop “Role of Science, Technology Parks, Incubators in Innovation Ecosystems”, May 23-24, 2017, Thessaloniki, Greece

The main focus of this workshop organized by the EC is the exchange of good practices for the development and management of Science and Technology Parks (STPs) and Incubators in the Danube and Adriatic-Ionian Macro Regions.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/event/workshop/science-technology-parks-and-incubators-innovation-ecosystems>

Interreg Central Europe Annual Conference 2017, September 21-22, 2017, Berlin, Germany

20 years ago the first transnational Interreg programme was launched for central European regions and cities. What started with Interreg IIC CADSES has evolved into today's Interreg CENTRAL EUROPE. Since 1997 transnational cooperation helped hundreds of great ideas come true. This anniversary will be celebrated with a major conference in Berlin.

More... http://www.interreg-central.eu/Annual-Conference-2017.html?utm_source=phplist23&utm

Selection for your Agenda

[Removing Cultural Barriers to Innovation](#), 9-10 May, in Berlin

[Innovation Life Cycle Management Process](#), 29-30 May, Berlin

[5th UNI-SET Energy Clustering Event](#), 31 May – 2 June, Leuven

[Unitary Patent & Unified Patent Court Conference](#), 5 July 2017, Munich

[European Biotech Week](#), 25 September - 1 October 2017

[European Forum for Industrial Biotechnology and the Bioeconomy](#), 9-11 October, Brussels

[Intellectual Property Summit 2017](#), 7-8 December 2017, Brussels

[Managing Export Control in University Research and Technology Transfer](#), on-demand video, DVD, or PDF Transcript

Technology Offers; Technology Request;

Technology Offer

Title of Profile	Country
Sequential evaporation of digestate with regulated or controlled condensate fractionation	Germany
Innovative device intended for improvement of watering and irrigation systems	Bulgaria
Method for intensifying biological agricultural production	Latvia
Biodegradable polymer composites for consumer goods manufacturing	Ukraine
Patented combined agricultural machine for tillage with rotating plow, fertilization, preparation & stabilization...	Serbia
Croatian university is looking for joint venture agreement or license agreement for its omega 3 enriched eggs.	Croatia
New growth regulators for plant biotechnology	Czech Rep.
Soil microorganisms as a tool for fast forecasting of the impact of arable practices on soil quality	Moldova
Livestock feeders made of antibacterial polymer concrete	Hungary

[Tailored battery packs with high performance, reliability and lifetime for applications in e-mobility, power tools ...](#)
[Development of superior varieties of wheat](#)
[Device determining somatic cell counts in milk - universal instrument for measuring the viscosity of liquids](#)

Austria
Slovenia
Slovakia

Technology Request

[Remotely Piloted Aircraft \(RPA\) and software for precision agriculture](#)
[Looking for a technology investment support in agriculture with joint venture](#)
[Partners sought in the field of agriculture and civil security to integrate existing sensor-based solutions into...](#)
[Predictive algorithms modeling to forecast diseases and pests in crops plantations](#)
[Lithuanian company is looking for partners who have the tech to purify humic and fulvic acids from organic...](#)
[Romanian company from agriculture sector is looking for a new technology to extract fibers from hemp](#)
[Fused salt liquid heat transfer fluids](#)
[Desalination of liquid foodstuff by means of electrodialysis or similar technology.](#)
[Device for cutting mesh hose to create filter covers sought](#)
[Romanian company from the poultry farming sector is looking for a technology to recycle chicken manure](#)
[A company is looking for partners to co-develop a DSS system for the environment based on GIS...](#)

Spain
Macedonia,
France
Italy
Lithuania
Romania
Israel
Switzerland
Poland
Romania
Greece

Research & Innovation

The insider's guide to Horizon 2020 with expert funding tips to help increase your odds of success

To succeed at Horizon 2020, you need a good road map not just for the fundamentals of applying for grants, but to the many policy, political nuances you need to know. This guide provides expert funding tips that will increase your odds of success.
More... <http://sciencebusiness.net/horizon2020/theinsidersguide/#sthash.rYofw0sX.dpuf>

Bioeconomy in Horizon 2020

Under H2020, the EU identified seven priority challenges where targeted investment in R&I can have a real impact. The calls "[Innovative, sustainable, inclusive Bioeconomy](#)", "[Sustainable Food Security](#)" and "[Blue Growth](#)" contribute to cover important areas of the Bioeconomy. The budget for the three calls will serve to further implement the Bioeconomy in EU where at least five countries (Finland, Germany, Ireland, Sweden and Norway) already have approved strategies at governmental level.
More... <https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/bioeconomy>

The LaunchPad: bridge the gap between innovation and explosive growth

The LaunchPad offers solutions to validate hypotheses, testing for value and accelerating time to market through a set of tools such as a Technology Platform, a hub for collaborating on Lean initiatives and keep track of the progress toward product-market fit; Immersion Programs, customized workshops to rethink how to bring ideas to market and Advisory Services to adapt Lean innovation to one's business priorities.
More... <https://www.launchpadcentral.com/>

Bioeconomy research community

Bioeconomy research community Oulu is a researcher-driven network of active research groups within the domain of biomass conversion and valorization. Together we possess a strong knowledge base in biology, chemistry, biomass conversion technologies, allowing research to proceed through the biomass value network.
More... <http://www oulu.fi/bioeconomy/>

Agricultural biotech - The Green G-Nome's Guide to GM Crops & Policies in the EU

The Green G-Nome is ready to guide you to new heights of knowledge about GM crops and policies in the EU. The new pocket-sized [guide](#) released this week by EuropaBio's Agricultural Biotech team is a must read for anyone wanting to understand the important role and untapped potential of agricultural biotechnology in Europe.
More... <http://www.europabio.org/agricultural-biotech/publications/green-g-nomes-guide-gm-crops-policies-eu>

Turning organic waste into a source of value

Turning organic waste into a source of value is the main focus of the recently published [report](#). Entitled *Urban Biocycles*, this paper examines the significant/largely untapped opportunities of better using the large flows of organic matter in our cities.
More... <https://ilbioeconomista.files.wordpress.com/2017/03/urban-biocycles-ellenmacarthurfoundation2017.pdf>

EC provides compendium on R&D in European Semester Country Reports 2017

The European Commission's Directorate General for Research and Innovation has drawn up a compendium covering the research and innovation (R&I) aspects in the European Semester Country Reports 2017.
More... http://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/2017-european-semester-country-reports_en#file_translations-38153

New European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity

The EC has received the new European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity aimed at promoting the responsible conduct of research to help improve its quality and reliability.

More... http://ec.europa.eu/research/openscience/pdf/facsheet_integrity_code_2017.pdf

Clusters & SMEs

COSME Programme

COSME is the EU programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and SMEs running 2014 - 2020 with a planned budget of €2.3bn.

COSME will support SMEs in the following area:

1. [Improving access to finance for SMEs in the form of equity and debt](#)
2. [Improving access to markets](#)
3. [Improving framework conditions for the competitiveness and sustainability of Union enterprises](#)
4. [Promoting entrepreneurship and entrepreneurial culture](#)

More... [Cosme/calls-for-proposals](#)

EUREKA Clusters

Initiated by European industry, EUREKA Clusters are long-term and strategically significant initiatives that develop technologies of key importance for European competitiveness.

Addressing the needs of both large companies and SMEs, they are the engine for industrial innovation and economic growth.

More... <http://www.eurekanetwork.org/content/eureka-clusters>

Cluster Excellence Programme

This Call for proposals is the first action in the framework of the Cluster Excellence Programme to be supported under COSME, and aimed to promote cluster excellence across the EU for the benefit of European SMEs involved in clusters.

The action will assist cluster organizations, business networks and their managers to provide high quality services to SMEs in different areas, including access to foreign markets.

More... <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/cosme/topics/18094-cosme-12-2015.html>

ECCP platform, the leading web platform for European clusters

This platform provides online information and networking support for clusters aiming to improve their performance and increase their competitiveness through the stimulation of trans-national and international cooperation, build communication bridges, facilitate cluster cooperation.

You can register your cluster organization on the platform.

More... <http://www.clustercollaboration.eu> ; support@clustercollaboration.eu

Cluster collaboration & business support tools to facilitate entrepreneurship, cross-sectorial collaboration

The European Cluster Observatory is a single access point for statistical information, analysis and mapping of clusters and cluster policy in Europe that is foremost aimed at European, national, regional and local policy-makers as well as cluster managers and representatives of SME intermediaries.

More... the Guide... <http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/initiatives/cluster/observatory/2014-10-10-eco-report-d4.1.pdf>

Enterprise Europe Network – Sector Groups

The Network helps small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) make the most of business opportunities in the EU and beyond (all Made in Danube countries). They offer many services, free of charge by 600 member organizations.

More... <http://een.ec.europa.eu/>

TED - Tenders Electronic Daily dedicated to European public procurement

TED provides free access to business opportunities. TED Tenders Electronic Daily is the online version of the 'Supplement to the Official Journal of the EU, dedicated to European public procurement. How can I benefit from TED?

Information about every procurement document is published in the 24 official EU languages.

More... <http://ted.europa.eu/TED/main/HomePage.do>

Practical Guide to EU Funding 2014-2020

Having trouble finding the right EU fund for your project? The Research Centre of the European Parliament, also known as the EP Think Tank, has published the latest Guide to EU funding for the period 2017 -2020.

Readers can look for simple information about funding opportunities for the most relevant EU funds.

More... <https://epthinktank.eu/2017/02/20/guide-to-eu-funding-2014-2020/>

Your Europe Business - Practical guide to doing business in Europe

[Your Europe Business](#) is an EU portal designed to help Small and Medium-sized Enterprises do business cross-border and take advantage of the European Single Market.

More... <https://ec.europa.eu/easme/en/your-europe-business>

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