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Abbreviations

- IGA Innovation and Growth Alliance
- TIA Transnational Innovation Activities
- TEP Transnational Exploitation Plan
- TNN Transnational Thematic Network
- TOS Transnational Open Space





1 INTRODUCTION

CHAIN REACTIONS project addresses the challenge for industrial regions not benefitting from innovation activities from large leading corporations to increase regional capacity to absorb new knowledge and turn it into competitiveness edge and business value. There is a strong need to help SMEs to overcome capacity shortages for innovation and integration into transnational value chains. The project aims at empowering regional ecosystems with the knowledge and tools to help businesses overcome those barriers and generate sustained growth through value chain innovation.

The transnational thematic network (TTN) is the final output of WP4, and it will become a sustainable open space for collaboration. The following document will specify the working principles and commitments of the TTN in each of the 5 specific sectors.

In order to create transnational open spaces for collaboration (e.g. value chain based) the activities for Building open collaboration spaces for transnational RIS3 implementation (WPT4), are be based on previous project activities, mostly IGAs established in each of the target regions (O.T2.1) and Value chain innovation models and instruments implemented in each target region as a driver to S3 (O.T3.2), as well as Thematic industrial innovation roadmaps (O.T4.1) and Thematic innovation agendas (O.T4.2).

More specifically, Transregional exploitation plan (D.T4.3.1-5) for each sector are the key deliverable upon which the **Transnational open space for collaboration** for each of respective sectors will be based.

Overall, the **Transnational open space for collaboration** are part of the third outputs within the WPT4, linking the identified potential with plans for transnational exploitation:

- O.T4.1 Thematic industrial innovation roadmaps;
- O.T4.2 Thematic innovation agendas;
- O.T4.3 Thematic transnational exploitation plans and open collaboration spaces.





2 Transnational open space (TOS) for collaboration in ICT and electronics sector

2.1 Background

The TOS is based on the previous project activities:

- D.T4.1.2 establishing transnational networks of innovations stakeholders for the ICT and electronics sector,
- D.T4.1.6 transnational industrial innovation roadmap workshop,
- D.T4.1.8 transnational industrial innovation roadmap for the ICT and electronics sector,
- D.T4.1.17 industrial innovation workshop for the ICT and electronics sector in the regions of Croatia and Košice,
- D.T4.2.4 Transnational industrial innovation agenda for the ICT and electronics sector D.T4.3.2 Transregional exploitation plan for the ICT and electronics sector.

2.2 Constitution of TOS

The TOS for collaboration in ICT and electronics sector will consist of the following stakeholders:

Stakeholder	Region	Role within TEP	
CCE-ZCC	Croatia	Organizes and finances trainings; coordinates the activities of all Croatian stakeholders	
ICT Cluster	Croatia	Informs cluster members about TEP activities; delegates expert	
Croatia		speakers in the field of ICT and electronics at national and trans-national events	
Culmena	Croatia	Provides expertise in the implementation of ICT innovative ideas in	
d.o.o.		the field of advanced industrial production	
Inovativni	Croatia	Shares the acquired knowledge in the digitalization of the local com-	
Zadar d.o.o.		munity with interested users	
DIGITALI	Croatia	Promotes the inclusion of women in ICT and electronics	
Kodium Pro	Croatia	atia Encourages the innovation of ICT and electronics at educational	
d.o.o.	events organized by CCE-ZCC		
KEITVA	KEITVA Slovakia Organizes and finances trainings; coordinates the activities or		
		vakian stakeholders	
Deautsche	utsche Slovakia Provides an expertise and knowledge on a topics of the workshops		
Telekom IT	Provides an experts to further develop ICT activities.		
Solutions	ns		
GlobalLogic	Slovakia	Provides expertise in the implementation of ICT innovative ideas.	
Slovakia	Support the educational activities.		
Indexmag	Slovakia	Promotes the inclusion of women in ICT and electronics and all the TEP activities.	





The following stakeholders will commit to jointly pursue the common goals stated below, with proactive networking to expand the cooperation to other interested members of the quadruple helix, that could further contribute to achieving these goals.

Common goals of in the ICT and electronics sector of Croatia and					
Košice Region					
Name of TIA	Transnational stakehold- ers	Common goals of Croatia and Košice Region			
Trainings and seminars to encourage women in IT at the transnational level in Croatia and Slovakia	Kosice IT Valley, Croatian Chamber of Economy - Zadar County Chamber, Global Logic Slovakia, DIGITALI Deutsche Telekom IT So- lutions Slovakia	The common goal is to Encourage women to study and work in IT and to encourage them. It will be also very important to exchange experience. This action should tell us more of the status of the women in ICT sector in Slovakia and Croatia. In the workshop we have realised that we have similar issues. The action content of educational and inspirational workshops/webinars.			
Series of net- working events to help developed the transnational and cross-sec- toral relation- ships between Slovakia, Croa- tia and Czech Republic	KEITVA, CCE-ZCC RDA Pilsen, Various stakeholders, IGAs members of KEITVA	Series of networking events held Online/physical that will be present transnational partners and cross-sectoral members of each cluster. The events should deepen the relationship between Slovak and Croatia SMEs. The impact of the activities should be deepen relationship amongst Slovak, Croatia and Czech republic SMEs, exchange of knowledge and creating positive transnational environment.			
Extension of virtual demo- centre	RDA Pilsen, KEITVA, CCE-ZCC, CCEs hackathon partici- pants	The demonstrators are promoting utilisation of different techniques and technologies that can boost the digitisation activities in SMEs. On one hand the demonstrators can trigger the innovation activities in companies and on the other hand they can promote specific solution providers and theirs products or services.			





2.3 Commitment to sustainability

Based on the joined activities the "Memorandum of cooperation" (see annex 1) among the responsible entities for sustainability of the TOS will be signed.

The responsible entities are primarily the project partners, who will commit to cooperation beyond the project implementation period and any stakeholder committing to continuation of the activities within the TOS.

It is additionally expected that key entities of each region, that share the interest of implementation of TIA, will also sign the memorandum.

Other entities can join the memorandum and further support the activities; however, they can directly join the implementation of TIA, through their cooperation with entities that are already signatories of the memorandum. CCE-ZCC and KEITVA together with RDA Pilsen agreed to implement innovative activities after the formal completion of the project.





ANNEX: MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This template for the memorandum is a suggestion for partners, to be used as the final document, reaching the O.T4.3. However, it can be modified (by having more parties as the signatories, or by specifying more concrete activities – although the activities should be defined within TEP – see document D.T4.3.1-5).

TEMPLATE

PREAMBLE

This Memorandum of Agreement was prepared by the project partnership of the Chain Reactions project as Output O.T4.3: **Thematic transnational exploitation plans and open collaboration spaces**, in order to set up the open collaboration spaces and ensure the post-project implementation of exploitation plans prepared within the project duration.

This Memorandum of Agreement is made between

[insert partner 1 name and adress]

and

[insert partner 2 name and adress].

The purpose of this Memorandum is to agree upon the terms and conditions, scope of work and responsibilities for future collaboration in the [insert sector] as agreed between the signatories in the Transnational Exploitation Plan (TEP) prepared within the Chain Reaction Project.

AGREEMENT

The signing parties see the benefits of jointly implementing the activities set up in TEP of this project, have a desire to pursue the set activities and thus ensure the sustainability of the Chain Reaction projects outcomes.

[partner 1] from the [region 1] will ensure the continuation of activities and will proactively promote the transnational collaboration in the [insert sector] as part of the transnational innovation agenda.

[partner 2] from the [region 2] will ensure the continuation of activities and will proactively promote the transnational collaboration in the [insert sector] as part of the transnational innovation agenda.

By this, both partners have established a collaboration space that will ensure a joint effort in implementation of TEP.

Both partners agree to keep expanding the network of potential interested parties that will contribute to the implementation of the TEP, thus ensuring the openness of the collaboration space.





Both partners agree to actively search for funding opportunities in order to implement TEP. Furthermore, they agree to involve the stakeholders of the collaboration space into implementation of TEP and actively search for additional stakeholders, who could further contribute to the TEP implementation

FUNDING

Each of the signatories will use their own resource, or ensure funding for the implementation of the activity of proactively promoting the cooperation in TEP within their respective region and to support the implementation of activities agreed to be conducted as TIA within the TEP.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND SIGNATURE.

This Memorandum of Agreement shall be effective upon the date of the last party to sign this MOA below. The parties indicate agreement with this Memorandum of Agreement by their signatures below.

[insert partner 1 name and adress] [insert partner 2 name and adress]

Signature of representative and stamp of partner

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