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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 has become a sustainable open space for collaboration. The following document specifies the working principles and commitments of the TTN in health sector.

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), were 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.T4.3.4) has been the key deliverable upon which the **Transnational open space for collaboration for health sectors** is based.

Overall, the **Transnational open space for collaboration** is a 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 Health

### 2.1 Background

The TOS is based on the previous project activities:

- D.T4.1.4 establishing transnational networks of innovations stakeholders for the health sector,
- D.T4.1.6 transnational industrial innovation roadmap workshop,
- D.T4.1.10 transnational industrial innovation roadmap for the health sector
- D.T4.1.17 industrial innovation workshop for the health sector in the regions of Veneto-Italy and Upper Silesia-Poland,
- D.T4.2.6 Transnational industrial innovation agenda for the health sector
- D.T4.3.4 Transregional exploitation plan for the health sector

#### 2.2 Constitution of TOS

The TOS for collaboration in Health (MedTech and bio economy subsectors) will consist of the following stakeholders:

| Activity par-<br>ticipant   | Region             | Short description of the participant   |
|---|--------------------|--|
| Galileo Vi-<br>sionary Dis-<br>trict                                  | Veneto             | provides experience in the connection between science represented<br>by start-up companies, R&D designers, spin-off university and busi-<br>ness represented by traditional companies. |
| CCIAAPD   | Veneto             | provides experience in the connection to companies and other stakeholders.   |
| Tech4life   | Veneto             | supports R&I in the biomedical sector and the internationalization processes   |
| OBV – Ve-<br>neto Bio-<br>medical Ob-<br>servatory                    | Veneto             | supports companies in the biomedical sector and the access to knowledge on legal framework changes   |
| GAPR / Med-<br>Silesia  | Upper Sile-<br>sia | provides experience in the connection to companies and other<br>stakeholders & supports R&I in the MedTech sector and the interna-<br>tionalization processes of companies             |
| Health ob-<br>servatory in<br>Upper Silesia<br>(with its<br>partners) | Upper Sile-<br>sia | supports companies in the MedTech sector and the access to<br>knowledge on business opportunities and the legal framework<br>changes   |

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 Health of Silesia-Poland and Veneto-Italy  |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| Name of TIA   | Transnational stake-<br>holders  | Common goals of Veneto and Silesia  |
| Developing<br>and testing<br>new transna-<br>tional busi-<br>ness model in<br>the field of de-<br>sign for medi-<br>cal devices<br>and equip-<br>ment | MedSilesia Cluster &<br>Galileo Visionary  Up-<br>per Silesia & Veneto               | Developing new business model of market driven de-<br>sign services in MedTech  |
|   | MedSilesia Cluster &<br>Galileo Visionary  Up-<br>per Silesia & Veneto               | Identifying one/more opportunities to draft projects<br>to be submitted to the EU (horizon EU) concerning the<br>advanced technologies applied to the health sector |
|   | GAPR   Upper Silesia   | Facilitating the business model with / through cluster members  |
|   | Galileo   Veneto   | Providing best practice and offering knowledge on the services  |
| Developing<br>MedTech com-<br>petence cen-<br>tre   | MedSilesia Cluster &<br>Regional Innovative<br>Network   Upper Sile-<br>sia & Veneto | Sharing opportunities (mutual) to strengthen interna-<br>tionalization of SMEs belonging to the network for It-<br>aly and Silesia Region                           |
|   | MedSilesia Cluster &<br>Regional Innovative<br>Network   Upper Sile-<br>sia & Veneto | Identifying one/more opportunities to draft projects<br>to be submitted to the EU (horizon EU) concerning the<br>advanced technologies applied to the health sector |
|   | MedSilesia Cluster &<br>Regional Innovative<br>Network   Upper Sile-<br>sia & Veneto | Sharing communication and information concerning opportunities to be offered to both the members of the network and the observatory                                 |
| Transnational<br>observatory<br>alliance  | Health Observatory<br>and Biomedical Obser-<br>vatory   Upper Sile-<br>sia & Veneto  | Sharing data/information between the 2 observato-<br>ries to monitor the innovation in the MedTech/Bio-<br>medical sector   |
|   | Health Observatory<br>and Biomedical Obser-<br>vatory   Upper Sile-<br>sia & Veneto  | Sharing relevant initiatives and news   |
|   | Health Observatory<br>and Biomedical Obser-<br>vatory   Upper Sile-<br>sia & Veneto  | Once a year plan a call to update the relationship and imagine common initiatives / projects  |





#### 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 has been 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.





## **ANNEX: MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**

This Memorandum of Agreement is made by and between Padova Chamber of Commerce Industry Crafts and Agriculture (CCIAA), 35137 Padova, Piazza Insurrezione 1/A and Upper Silesian Accelerator for Commercial Enterprises Ltd. (GAPR), 44-100 Gliwice, Wincentego Pola 16.

The purpose of this Memorandum is to agree upon the terms and conditions, scope of work and responsibilities for future collaboration in the health 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 this project, have a desire to pursue the activities and thus ensure the sustainability of the Chain Reaction projects outcomes.

CCIAA PD from the Veneto region will ensure the collaboration of activities of implementation of TEP and will proactively promote the transnational collaboration to ensure a truly open space for regional actors in the Biomedical sector to cooperate in the activities agreed as part of the transnational innovation agenda.

GAPR from the Silesia region will ensure the collaboration of activities of implementation of TEP and will proactively promote the transnational collaboration to ensure a truly open space for regional actors in the biomedical sector to cooperate in the activities agreed as part of the transnational innovation agenda.

#### 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.

| Padova Chamber of Commerce Industry Crafts<br>and Agriculture (CCIAA), 35137 Padova, Piazza<br>Insurrezione 1/A | Upper Silesian Accelerator for Commercial En-<br>terprises Ltd. (GAPR), 44-100 Gliwice, Wincen-<br>tego Pola 16 |
|---|---|
| Signature of representative and stamp of partner  | Signature of representative and stamp of partner  |
| 31/03/2022  | 31/03/2022  |