OUTPUT FACT SHEET

Innovation networks

Version 2

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Summary description of the established innovation network explaining its structure, functions and transnational character

Transnational network of innovations stakeholders for the ICT and electronics sector builds its strategy on the performed Value Chain Analysis and developed Transnational Pilot, which deepens their knowledge of value chain innovation processes in general and a deep understanding on how they apply specifically in regional businesses and value chains. Innovation potential of the sector is huge, especially the digital startups can significantly help to attract the young generation.

In Croatia companies in the computer programming sub-sector mostly fall, by size, into the micro-enterprise category. Small businesses, especially software start-ups, are the largest generator of new jobs in the IT industry. Connecting the Croatian IT sector with foreign business partners is of great importance, especially in the context of the current business situation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

In Košice the ICT industry has become more significant in the regional economic structure in the last two decades. The IT sector in Košice includes a wide range of services: systems architecture, design and development of databases, networking, application development, testing, documentation, maintenance and hosting, operational support and security services.

NUTS region(s) concerned by the innovation network (relevant NUTS level)

NUTS regions on NUTS2 level that are involved in the implementation of the roadmap are: Jadranska Hrvatska (HR03) in Croatia, and Východné Slovensko (SK04) in Slovakia.

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Expected impact and benefits of the innovation network for the concerned territories and target groups

The IGA members and other partners and representatives of the ecosystem discussed the issues and plans where the 10 goals were identified to be influenced through the innovation network:
- Strengthening innovation potential by building a qualified workforce,
- Knowledge transfer in regional digital strategies,
- Attracting industry through ICT skills,
- Technology development and transfer – especially R&D,
- Fostering innovation through collaboration of businesses and education,
- Raising competences through connection between industry and education,
- Promotion of innovators,
- Development of Greed Economy and Digital Transformation,
- Fostering cooperation between IGA members to better reach ICT stakeholders,
- Development of regional development strategies that include development in ICT sector.

Sustainability of the innovation network and its transferatbility to other territories and stakeholders

Transferability between both territories within the dual partnership will be assured by the cooperation of companies and other stakeholders within both regions.
The good practice for sharing knowledge and experience can be used in other regions that want to transfer good practices or knowledge, especially among stakeholders, according to the same model.
Also, the platform that was established for transnational workshop will continue with its function within the transnational exploitation plan and the partners will sign a Memorandum for further cooperation after to project implementation period.

References to relevant deliverables and web-links
If applicable, pictures or images to be provided as annex

List of relevant deliverables and outputs:
D.T4.1.6_CCE-ZCC - workshops conducted by PP4 (CCE-ZCC) in collaboration with PP8 (KEITVA) for the preparation of industrial innovation roadmap in the ICT and electronics sector
D.T4.1.6_KEITVA - workshops conducted by PP8 (KEITVA) in collaboration with PP4 (CCE-ZCC) for the preparation of industrial innovation roadmap in the ICT and electronics sector
D.T4.1.8 – transnational industrial innovation roadmap for the ICT and electronics sector
D.T4.1.17_CCE-ZCC – Industrial innovation workshop conducted by PP4 (CCE-ZCC)
D.T4.1.17_KEITVA – Industrial innovation workshop conducted by PP8 (KEITVA)
O.T4.1_3 - Thematic industrial innovation roadmap for the ICT and electronics sector presented.
The deliverables and outputs can be found under the section of DELIVERABLES on the project website:
https://www.interreg-central.eu/Content.Node/CHAIN-REACTIONS.html