6th KETGATE Newsletter
CE1188 Central European SME Gateway to key-enabling technology
infrastructures – sparking a new transnational KET Innovation Ecosystem

Project Aim

Enabling a Central Europe - wide access to highly competent KET technology and
infrastructure services for SMEs irrespective of their location

PROJECT NEWS

APPLY FOR THE M-ERA.NET CALL 2019!

The aim of the call is to fund ambitious transnational RTD projects addressing materials research and innovation including materials for low carbon energy technologies and related production technologies. M-ERA.NET aims to strengthen the contribution of materials R&D to energy-related applications where applicable.

Deadline for Application: 18 June 2019, 12:00, noon Brussels time
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PRESENTATION OF KETGATE DURING THE WORKSHOP "THE EUROPEAN DIGITAL SINGLE MARKET PLAN"

The European Digital Single Market plan, business digitalization, and the new European strategies to encourage innovation were the main subjects at the meeting organized in Mestre last 24th May.

The KETGATE project encouraged the discussion when it presented the model of cooperation created to foster the connection between companies and research and technology centres.

Last 24th May in Mestre Veneto Innovazione organized the workshop "The European Digital Single Market Plan - new forms of aggregation and specialization among Digital Innovation Hubs" in the frame of SMART SPACE project financed by Interreg Alpine Space Programme.

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IN THE LAND OF KEY TECHNOLOGIES - AUSTRIAN INNOVATIONS

On the occasion of the international day of light on 16 May 2019, Joanneum Research Institute together with Photonics Austria has organized the event "High lights". More than 120 guests were invited to the MCI University of Maximilianstrase in Innsbruck (former Post Office) to offer insights into future technology.

EXCHANGE OF KNOWLEDGE BETWEEN JSI
AND HORIA HULUBEI NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR R&D IN PHYSICS
AND NUCLEAR ENGINEERING (IFIN-HH)

Between 7th and 10th May 2019 the Jožef Stefan Institute (JSI) hosted a delegation from the Center for Technology Transfer and Marketing of the Romanian Horia Hulubei National Institute for R&D in Physics and Nuclear Engineering (IFIN-HH).

During the study visit guests learned about the operational areas and approaches of the Center for Technology Transfer and Innovation at the JSI – helping provide research services to industry, protection, and marketing of intellectual property, support in connecting researchers with industry, support in creating spin-out companies, as well as project work and promotional activities.

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KETGATE INFODAY AT JOANNEUM RESEARCH INSTITUTE

On the 8th of April, another very successful info event took place in Nikalsdorf, Austria at JOANNEUM RESEARCH. In cooperation with the technology platform "Additive Manufacturing Austria" JOANNEUM RESEARCH introduced the participants from Voestalpine, Wild, Fraunhofer AT, Kepler Universität Linz, RPD and others to KETGATE. Emphasis was placed on the development of new projects and possible cooperation.

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MEET THE BUSINESS SUPPORT ORGANISATIONS

NATIONAL CLUSTER ASSOCIATION - CZ

The National Cluster Association – CZ (NCA) brings together cluster organisations and other pro-cluster institutions with the purpose to coordinate the sustainable development of the cluster concept in the Czech Republic. It creates a competent and long-term platform for the development of cluster organisations in the Czech Republic and an active interface for their internationalization.

The NCA was established in 2008 and currently associates twenty leading cluster organisations (representing altogether some 450 members, i.e. enterprises, educational and research institutions) and eight cluster supportive institutions, such as a university, regional development agencies, innovation infrastructure bodies, and consultants. The NCA strives for creating conditions for effective utilization of cluster merits in accordance with the development policy of the European Commission (cluster management excellence, intelligent specialization of regions, inter-cluster cooperation support for the EU competitiveness, etc.) and provides promotion, education, consultancy and awareness building activities for the member cluster organisations.
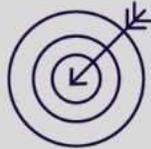
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KETGATE POINT SERVICES

Within the following newsletters, we would like to give you an overview of the different services offered by the KETGATE Points in Central Europe. The KETGATE project partners have elaborated two service packages: One service package dedicated to SMEs and one service package for Research and Technology Organsiation (RTO).

SME SERVICE #1:
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GOALS: To suggest and advice how to improve innovation strategy, to valorise potentialities and to overcome weaknesses. To identify the best approach to serve companies in coherence with "innovation maturity".

In each KETGATE point BA (Business Advisor) is responsible to perform the innovation assessment. Performing a company visit, allows the BA to collect profound insights on the businesses & infrastructure on the company.

THE METODOLOGY: Innovation performance based on a structured methodology allows BAs to collect data, asses the company's performance and possibly benchmark the individual outcomes with the performance of the other companies. Fine-tuned tools ready to assess innovation generate automatically graphics, showing the company "position" accordingly to the specific scores and indicators. The resulting repots and the recommendations for improvement are stricly connected with benchmarking criteria and the methodology behind each specific tool.

FAVOURITE READS ON KETS

THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION 4.0 AND ITS POSSIBILITIES REVEALED

Additive manufacturing, collaborative robotics, production planning tools, artificial vision, process simulation, operational intelligence, IoT, and the Key Enabling Technologies - also known as an intelligent industry, are considered to be the fourth industrial revolution. Are we ready for the digital transformation?

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Wednesday, 27 March 2019

EUROPEAN PHOTONICS ROADMAP "EUROPE'S AGE OF LIGHT!" HANDED OVER TO THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

In preparation of the new EU framework programme Horizon Europe the new European photonics roadmap "Europe's age of light! How photonics will power growth and innovation" was presented and handed over to Carl Bugh, Deputy of Head of Cabinet of Commissioner Gabriel, European Commission by the members of the Photonics21 Executive Board.

(Download the pdf version of the photonics roadmap)

RECOMMENDED EVENTS

EU BROKERAGE EVENT ON KETS NMBP – CALL 2020 & 360°

27. June 2019 | Palais de la Musique et des Congrès (PMC) - Strasbourg Convention & Exhibition Center

The National Contact Points (NCPs) Network and Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) of Grand E-nov in collaboration with Enterprise Europe Network Rheinland-Pfalz co-organise the 7th edition of KETs' EU Brokerage Event.

Mainly dedicated to the Key Enabling Technologies in NMBP, the event will target the following thematic fields:

> Nanotechnologies and Advanced Materials
> Biotechnologies
> Advanced manufacturing and processing
> Energy efficiency in Buildings (EeB)
> Factories of the Future (FoF)
> Sustainable process industries (SPIRE)
> Open Innovation Test Beds (OITB)

For more information and registration see: https://kets-360.b2match.io/

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PROJECT DURATION: 01.07.2017 - 31.08.2020

PROJECT BUDGET: 2,02 mln €

ERDF CO-FINANCING: 1,66 mln €