



Who we are

Called SCALE UP, the project is overseen by Interreg Europe and contributes to European competitiveness and acceleration of regional economic growth through improvement of policy and its delivery. It is designed to support SMEs' capacity to grow and to enable regional and local authorities to respond adequately to key obstacles which may hamper SMEs on their path to growth.

The seven partners are: the Regional Development Agency of Murcia, Spain; Regionalmanagement Nordhessen GmbH, Germany; Regional Development fund on behalf of the Region of Attica, Greece; Lazio Innova, the regional company of European programs for innovation, Italy; Województwo Lubelskie, a Polish regional authority; Nottingham City Council, UK; and the European Association of Development Agencies (EURADA), based in Brussels, Belgium.

Rising to the Covid-19 challenge: How the Scale Up consortium is redefining Study Visits



Study visits are a crucial part of the learning process for any Interreg project. Recognized by the Interreg Europe programme as a good practice, Scale Up's online study visit methodology was a result of the question: how are we going to evaluate the potential for learning and transfer of a good practice if physical study visits to the region implementing it cannot be done

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Attica Region and the Industry 4.0

Greece and the region of Attica, following the guidelines of Europe in general, is moving towards the 4th Industrial Revolution, having lost a bit of the 3rd Industrial Revolution. The 3rd revolution brought forth the rise of electronics, telecommunication and computers. Through the new technologies, the 3rd industrial revolution opened the doors to space expeditions, research and biotechnology.

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Innovative business ideas awarded – promotion NordHessen presented the winners

There are a number of policy instruments supporting the innovation of SMEs in Hesse, one of them being the business and startup competition "Promotion NordHessen". This initiative awards new findings and entrepreneurial activities as well as promoting and awards specific innovation prizes such as the mobility solutions prize. The jury had to award the best out of a total of 42 entries. They were spoilt for choice from a wealth of top high-tech and creative ideas.

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Nottingham: responding to the challenge of Covid-19

Early in 2020, the future looked promising for UK's scaleups. Despite the uncertainties and challenges of brexit, business confidence had begun to grow. However, following the development of Covid-19, economic markets began to fall, supply-chains slowed or became dismantled and sales for businesses on the high street started to drop or in many cases stopped altogether.

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Region of Murcia's contingency plan

The Region of Murcia is carrying out an ambitious Contingency Plan to minimize the impact of the coronavirus on the regional economy, especially in SMEs. The Regional Development Agency is coordinating an overall plan with three actions lines.

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ItalyUp, call for post Covid-19 innovative projects

Lazio Innova has joined "ItalyUp", a call launched to select startups and independent projects to develop innovative solutions to respond to the Covid-19 emergency. This programme aims to accelerate the development of projects and technologies that will anticipate the transformations of the Italian socio-economic fabric, concretely contributing to its restart and relaunch.

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