



Project Management

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Roadmaps (from proposal)

1) CMDM Roadmap: This will detail how each region will improve the development of Critical Mass of the innovation ecosystem within their region. What has already been achieved, how will funding synergies be increased and what can OP ERDF contribute to this development?

2) Human Resources: How far are the various EQF (European Qualifications Framework) levels represented in the education profiles of the region, connected with the innovation ecosystem? How far is awareness at school stimulated? Is entrepreneurship integrated into the education profiles? Which elements are concretely missing? Can these be addressed through OP ERDF? Other instruments or support programmes?

3) Internationalisation Roadmap: in which areas is internationalisation of the innovation ecosystems required? Is there a need for student or staff exchanges? Is there a possibility for interregional collaboration regarding environmental challenges? e.g. research or demonstration projects. Is it possible to formalise cooperation between innovation ecosystems, to support start-ups, students, researchers or research projects? Can internationalisation contribute to critical mass development in participating regions? Can any of these measures or ideas already be supported? What is missing? Can OP ERDF support any of these developments?

Deliverables

- Regional Self Assessment (T_0 has been performed, T_1 to be planned)
- 3 Roadmaps
 - Critical Mass Development 1 or 2 A4 per partner (home work)
 - Human Capital Development 1 or 2 A4 per partner (home work)
 - Interregional Collaboration 1 or 2 A4 per partner (home work)
- 3 Action Plans
 - Critical mass Development 1 or 2 A4 per partner (In Crete)
 - Human Capital Development 1 or 2 A4 per partner (In Crete)
 - Interregional Collaboration 1 or 2 A4 per partner (In Crete)

Outputs in Semester 2

- 1 project meeting
- 7 regional stakeholders meetings (1 per region)
 - 10 to 20 stakeholders
- 1 – 2 good practices identified
- Project website update, 1 newsletter, 28 announcements (4 per region)
- News posted on 9 websites
- Drafts of roadmaps

Interregional Workshops

1. Understanding of the CMDM and its stages

- i. Has been addressed during the kick-off meeting in Leeuwarden (September 2018)
- ii. Regions are asked to implement the outcomes and lessons learned, improving OP ERDF, plenary updates April 2019
- iii. Will be addressed again to measure improvements and share experiences, date t.b.d.

2. Human Capital Development

- i. During kick-off meeting WaterCampus Talent programme was introduced
- ii. Explored potential for collaboration in Centers of Vocational Excellence (CoVE)
- iii. To be developed: collaboration with Master students (discussion in Crete, April 2019 and Iasi, June 2019)
- iv. To be developed: collaboration with Bachelor students (discussion 2020)
- v. Other dimension ?

3. Interregional Collaboration

- i. Opportunities offered by Component V: Industrial Modernisation
- ii. Ideas and wishes from partner regions (discussion in Crete, April 2019 and Iasi, June 2019)
- iii. Opportunities through collaboration projects and programmes
- iv. Opportunities through interregional collaboration by using ERDF programme

Next meeting(s)?

- **iWatermap meeting: Week of Innovation regions in Europe (WIRE2019 Conference) in Romania; 25-28.06.2019**
- EU Cluster Conference, Bucharest; May 14-15
- Wetsus Congress; October 7-8
- European Week of Regions and Cities, Brussels; October 7-10
- VET Excellence Conference, Helsinki; October 17
- Aquatech Amsterdam; 5-8.11.2019