

# FOUNDATION

Interreg Europe

FOUNDATION will provide a framework and roadmap for regions facing industrial closures, job losses and uncertainty, to develop economic resilience through collaboration.

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## About the FOUNDATION Project

[FOUNDATION](#) is an Interreg Europe funded SME Competitiveness project that brings together nine partners in a consortium led by Cork Institute of Technology. The project is focused on supporting regions pre and post shocks and closures of anchor tenants in their industrial ecosystems. The impacts of a closure of course go beyond direct employees and ripple, wave like throughout the regional services sector and economy. Management of such anticipated structural change requires proactive renewal of business approaches and policy supports.

In the wake of COVID-19 the FOUNDATION partnership wishes to share information, training opportunities and good practices with external stakeholders to support them in accessing information to plan for the future. Whilst our medical professionals fight this pandemic on the front line, collaborative sharing by regional stakeholders can support resilience of all regions across Europe and further afield in enabling them to adapt to what is unprecedented change.



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# Developing Resilience in your Firm



## Resilient Leadership Tips - COVID-19

This article from Deloitte outlines five fundamental qualities of resilient leadership which distinguish successful CEOs as they guide their enterprises through the COVID-19 crisis. Tips to enable your organization to emerge stronger. [Read more...](#)



## Build Resilient Supply Chains

In the face of COVID-19 EY suggests how do you plan for sudden disruption and build resilience into your supply chains with staff shortages, restrictions in delivery routes, changes in buying patterns etc. [Read more...](#)



## COVID-19 and the New Leadership Agenda

## Leadership amid COVID-19

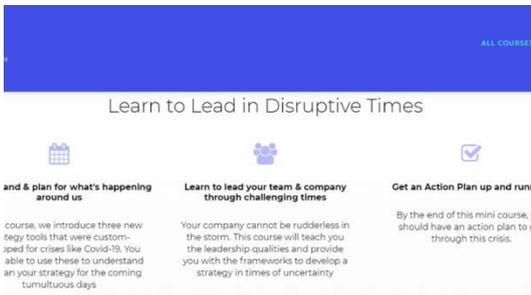
The Boston Consulting Group outlines how as the world mobilizes to mitigate the impact of COVID-19, uncertainty abounds. One thing is clear, the COVID-19 outbreak underscores the need for business and society to be resilient and prepared. [Read more...](#)



## Embedding Resilience - COVID-19

The rapid outbreak of the coronavirus is having a profound impact on business. As viruses know no borders, the impacts will continue to spread. KPMG have gathered the major Covid-19 related themes that their clients are discussing. [Read more...](#)

# Resilience Training



## Leading Through Disruption

Leading Through Industry Shifts is a FREE mini-course on how to be a leader in the face of the ongoing COVID-19 situation. Over four modules, you will learn how to better tackle the situation and lead in times of disruption. [Read more..](#)



## Business Continuity Planning

The NZ government showcase tips for contingency planning in preparing for all types of disruptions, e.g. an earthquake, broken equipment, losing a supplier or battling a worldwide pandemic — and how to quickly get back on your feet. [Read more](#)

# Clusters & Industry Sector Responses



## Mobilizing the TCI Network

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of March the [TCI network](#) gathered in a virtual meeting “Mobilizing the TCI Network to face COVID-19” to discuss and share how member clusters around the world are helping businesses to cope with the COVID-19 crisis. [Read more...](#)



## UNWTO Response to COVID-19

Tourism is currently one of the worlds’ most affected sectors and UNWTO underscores the importance of international dialogue and the opportunity to show how solidarity through cooperation can go beyond borders. [Read more...](#)

# Good Practices from Partners Regions



## Lidl & Aldi recruiting in Ireland

Supermarkets Lidl and Aldi have both launch recruitment drives to support those employees who lost their jobs in the tourism and hospitality sectors due to the restrictions laid down by government to limit the COVID-19 outbreak in Ireland. [Read more...](#)



## Austrian Dealers Help Dealers

Austrian Minister of Economics Margarete Schramböck launched a collaborative job initiative "Dealers Help Dealers". To secure the employment of as many employees out of work by being able to work in the food trade until the end of the Corona crisis. [Read more...](#)

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