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Evolution of the project

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RELOS3 focuses on making regional Smart Specialization Strategies work at the local level by actively involving local authorities, innovation actors and companies



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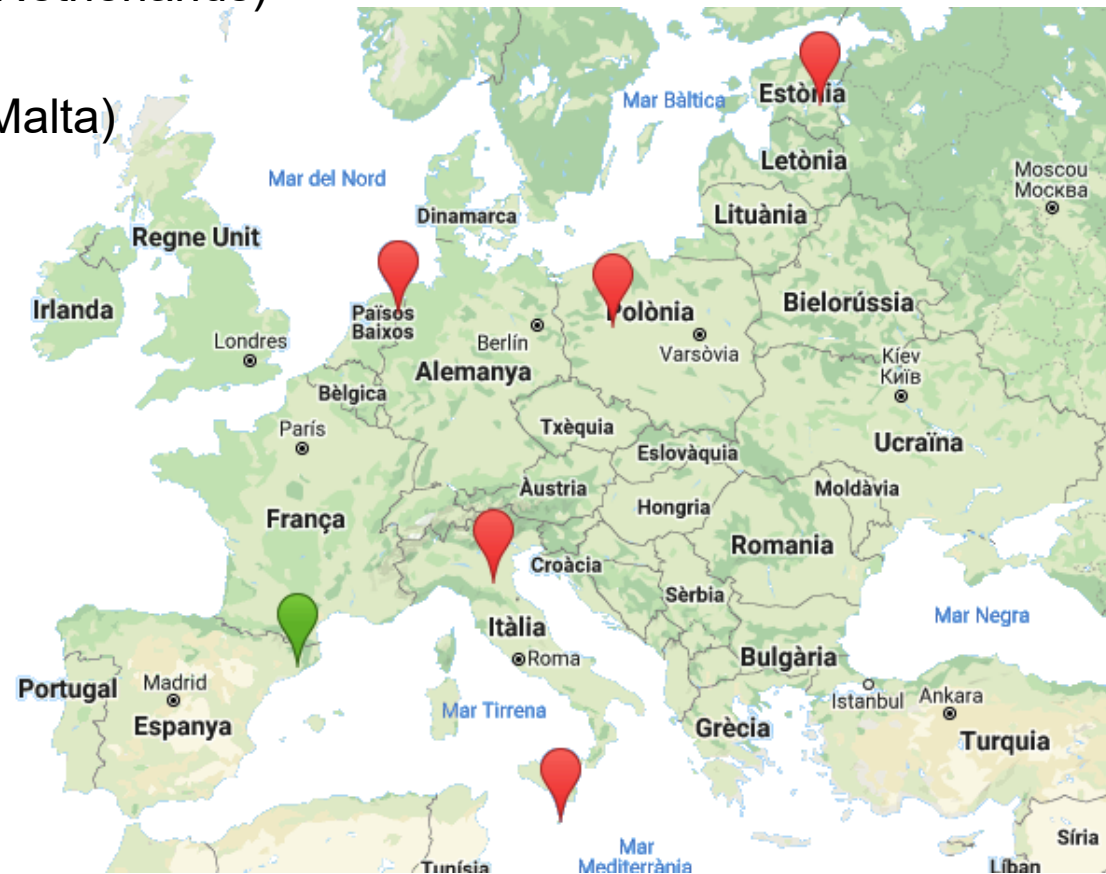
from 1 Jan 2017
to 31 Dec 2021

TOPIC

Research and innovation

The project has six partners from six countries:

- Economic Development Agency of Sabadell (Sabadell)
- Metropolitan City of Bologna (Italy)
- Wielkopolska Region (Poland)
- Local authority of Emmen (the Netherlands)
- Tartu City Government (Estonia)
- Malta Enterprise Corporation (Malta)



- RELOS3 focuses on implementing regional Smart Specialization Strategies in a local context by actively involving local authorities, innovation actors and companies. This is crucial in creating innovation in EU regions.
- Most of the partner's specializations are connected to industrial systems, advanced manufacturing, applied industrial design and ICT specializations.
- RELOS3 is an unique opportunity to develop and contrast local RIS3 strategies. The findings will contribute to improve ERDF operational programs with priority investments dedicated to RIS3 deployment and therefore to promote delivery of innovation.

Partners have been following these objectives by:

- Demonstrating the importance of the role of local authorities' involvement in RIS3 strategies implementation.
- Analyzing the awareness of each partner' territories on the importance of the S3 strategy and its relevance on competitiveness and innovation, by elaborating a study and a collection of good practices.
- Carrying out interregional learning exchanges among partners.
- Producing local/regional action plans on the basis of the transnational exchange and co- produced with relevant local/regional actors.
- Undertaking capacity building activities for policy owners, policy makers, practitioners and relevant stakeholders.

Project approach (I)

In 2 different phases:

Phase 1 (2,5y):
March 2017-August 2019

**Exchange of
experiences**

Phase 2 (2y):
Sept. 2019-August 2021

Monitoring



Project approach (II)



Monitoring studies: Good Practice



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RELOS 3 From Regional to Local:
Successful deployment of the Smart
Specialization Strategies

Results of the first evaluation survey

December 29, 2017

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BEST PRACTICE ANALYSIS

December 2017

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Monitoring studies: Baseline study



BASELINE STUDY

June 2018

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Key factors:

- Strategic vision: Adapting some actions/strategy to partners local context
- Coordination with each partner's managing authority
- Learning from other regions strategy
- Communication

Key factors:

- Governance
- Local stakeholders

Pla d'Acció: Esquema general del Action Plan RELOS3
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ACTION PROPOSED	SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES	GOOD PRACTICE IDENTIFIED	SPECIFIC LEARNINGS	WEAKNESSES TO BE ADDRESSED
ACTION 1: A MORE EFFICIENT MODEL OF RIS3CAT GOVERNANCE	A1.1 Improvement of the existing information platform RIS3-MCAT	Implementing the Entrepreneurial Discovery Process to practice	Structures and systems to stimulate, guide and drive the local EDP and promote agents' participation	GOVERNANCE ISSUES
	A1.2 Organisation and holding of the RIS3CAT agents, PECT and Communities, online meeting	Multilevel Governance in RIS3 Basque Country	Inter-departmental and multigener cooperation for the S3 deployment	
ACTION 2: IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUADRUPLE HELIX COLLABORATION	A2.1 Pilot 1: showroom about Smart Specialization in the area	SPARK Demo	Showcase the capabilities and strengths of local and regional companies located with focus on S3 domains	SUSTAINABILITY OF 4H COOPERATION & INVOLVEMENT OF PRIVATE SECTOR
	A2.1 Pilot 2: Entrepreneurship Month (online)	iSTARTUp Day Business Festival Tortu Entrepreneurship Week	Collaboration between stakeholders from traditional business sectors, IT and biotechnology start-ups, business support organisations, government and media Business culture and attitude towards entrepreneurship	
	A2.2 Dissemination of an Action Guide	SPARK Demo, iSTARTUp Day Business Festival, Tortu Entrepreneurship Week	Need to point out the value of actives in one's territory to facilitate networking across value chain. Actions to promote must be guided by some kind of publication.	

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Quim

Some walls to tear down

- COVID 19
 - ✓ Reschedule calendar
 - ✓ New formulas to held meetings



But some opportunities and learnings to share

- How to react to this new situation
- Strategies to overcome limits





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Thank you!

Questions welcome