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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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Webinar – Resilient Rural Regions

After a long period of webinars, it was possible to organize a hybrid seminar at the University of Oulu bringing stakeholders to discuss how to support SMEs in the most rural regions to overcome challenges of growth and internationalization. [Read more](#)

Business Recovery & Future Growth



PROGRESS21: A landmark event for Greater Manchester

PROGRESS21 is one of the first large scale in-person events of 2021, on Thursday 24 June, offering a wide-ranging programme of support to residents and businesses across Greater Manchester. [Read more](#)



R2B OnAir thinks of the future

On the eve of the implementation of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (2021-2027), the R2B OnAir thinks of the future by reviewing the current state of research and new technologies and innovations that will shape future scenarios. [Read more](#)

Post-Covid Initiatives



Incubation Program for Entrepreneurs

Incubation program was implemented within DanubeChance2.0 project for assisting micro and small entrepreneurs, who appeared to be in crisis or drifting towards bankruptcy because of COVID restrictions. [Read more](#)



New ways of securing skilled workers

Despite the Corona-related rise in unemployment, firms in Upper Austria have a need for skilled labour. To bring unemployed back into employment & to provide companies with skilled workers, a pilot project is launched. [Read more](#)

Building Resilience Through Innovation



Digital City- The Transformation of Lithuania's Capital

Lithuania rated first in Europe in Euromonitor's International Recovery Index, where it was also named one of the five countries expected to fully recover with consumer demand. ['Read more'](#)



National Recovery and Resilience Plan 2021

Ireland's National Recovery and Resilience Plan

The Irish government publishes the National Recovery and Resilience Plan which outlines how they plan to invest €915million over the coming years. ['Read more'](#)

Social Support after Covid



36 New Activities added to Covid Solvency Grant Line

15,000 companies and 20,000 self-employed people in the region of Murcia could potentially benefit from the direct aid provided for business to tackle Covid-19. ['Read more'](#)



New Clinic for Covid Convalescents in Rzeszów

The first clinic for people who recovered from the coronavirus in Podkarpacie Region and whole Poland was opened in Rzeszów on 1 July. ['Read more'](#)

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