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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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Upcoming Events



Virtual company visit to Nokia

Register to join City of Oulu & Nokia host the world's biggest virtual company visit on May 5th for students & educators of all ages and education levels. [Read more](#)



SME internationalisation perspectives

The SME internationalization perspectives in the pandemic will be online on 31st March 2022. The invited experts from Europe will represent their point of view and the results of the investigation focusing on SME actions and policy responses. [Read more](#)

Improving The Business Environment



Skills Intelligence Emilia-Romagna

Skills Intelligence Emilia-Romagna is an interactive tool that detects data relating to skills and professional profiles sought by companies in Emilia-Romagna, processed through artificial intelligence techniques and algorithms. [Read more](#)



Sustainability drives change in economy and society

Full of new ideas & many new contacts - and in an optimistic mood. This was the conclusion of the two-day OÖ Zukunftsforum 2022 on 9 March. 45 expert lectures & workshops, in which 400 participants dealt intensively with the topic of sustainability. [Read more](#)

Ukraine Crisis



Special act on support for Ukrainian citizens is already in force in Poland

In Poland, an act on assistance to Ukrainian citizens in connection with an armed conflict in the territory of that country was passed. Laws regulating, inter alia, issues related to the legality of stay of Ukrainian refugees in Poland, as well as the assistance provided to them, entered into force. [Read more](#)



Lithuania cuts economic ties with Russia

As Lithuanian companies are severing ties with Russia, the effects will be felt by some sectors more than by others: according to Statistics Lithuania, trade with Russia amounted to over 8 billion euros last year.

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