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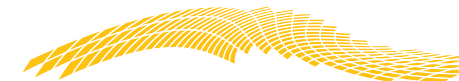


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ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE OPEN INNOVATION SYSTEM
OF THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION

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IT- Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Friuli Venezia Giulia Region, Central European Initiative (Regional intergovernmental forum based in Italy)

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The OIS-AIR project pursues the final goal of establishing the Open Innovation System of the Adriatic-Ionian Region (OIS-AIR), a single marketplace for technology and innovation competitive and attractive at macro-regional level.

OIS-AIR intends to strengthen the development of industrial and entrepreneurial activities within a virtuous circle involving relevant stakeholders from different sectors in Adriatic-Ionian Region, from research institutions to SMEs and public administration.

IN PARTICULAR, THE PROJECT WILL:

-  Improve skills and competencies of R&D centers in stimulating the creation of innovation networks beyond borders;
-  Stimulate SMEs access to research infrastructures and facilities and increase business investments in R&I, with a specific focus on those sectors characterizing the competitive advantage of the region;
-  Valorize research results and establish durable links and synergies between enterprises, R&D centers and research infrastructures;

The OIS-AIR approach is based on a Hub&Spoke scheme integrating two operational levels: local & transnational. Locally established Innovation Centers scout research results, gather SMEs needs, promote opportunities. At transnational level the Hub coordinates Centers' activities and acts as a gate matching demand and offer of services and research results, offering specialized services and infrastructures.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

OIS-AIR unlocks the innovation potential of the Adriatic-Ionian Region as a whole by:

-  Generating the first macro-regional Smart Specialization Strategy dedicated to the Adriatic-Ionian Region aimed at defining key macro-regional development trajectories based on regional S3;
-  Creating a Hub&Spoke innovation network to support organizational and physical facilities open to research and companies;
-  Developing the OISAIR Hub, a web-based portal, an area for knowledge, innovation, technology, initiatives and opportunities exchange developed and fed by its users and beneficiaries;
-  Delivering specialized innovation services to SMEs, such as technology and innovation audits carried out by local Innovation Centers;
-  Organizing a Proof of Concept Call to valorize research-based innovation;
-  Delivering innovation vouchers to support the best trans-regional research-driven innovation projects developed jointly by research Institutions and SMEs embedded into the pilot Adriatic-Ionian S3.

MAIN RESULTS

The project offers several benefits for SMEs and for the whole R&D system of the Adriatic-Ionian area:

- Development of the **OISAIR platform** (www.oisair.net);
- Definition of the **OISAIR Network**, composed of **7 Innovation Centers** and open to new members;
- Definition of a **Pilot macro-regional S3** for the Adriatic-Ionian Region;
- Organization of **7 local Open Innovation workshops**;
- Delivery of **150 innovation services** to SMEs;
- Organization of the **Proof of Concept Call**;
- Delivery of **10 Innovation vouchers**.