

## International Conference "Culture and Creativity: paving the way to the future EU policies

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## ChIMERA

Innovative cultural and creative clusters in the MED area

**CULTURE • CREATIVITY • INNOVATION** 

#### **Opportunities for CCIs:**

- ➤ Big investment opportunities in Cultural Tourism.
- Increase the private projects in creative tourism, film and audio-visual production industry, fine art management, video games, applications and digital content, mobile applications and Start Ups.
- > Tourism product diversification and development of the industry experience.
- Exploiting synergies with other regions (Attica-Thessaly) for the use of innovation infrastructure and technology transfer.
- Improving cooperation, creating synergies and increase the level of partnership of local actors between public and private organizations.



#### Threats for CCIs.

- > Negative economic environment due to the crisis.
- > Lack of liquidity in the bank sector because of the economic and financial crisis.
- > Significant barriers to entrepreneurship and Internal Market Collapse due to the negative economic environment.
- > Huge information gap due to the lack of communication between the investors.



#### **Living Labs Innovation:**

Four basic principles of construction and organization of the innovation ecosystem:

- **≻**Complexity
- ➤ Self-organization
- ➤ Co evolution and
- ➤ Adaptation.



#### Living Labs Results:

Our service belongs to the category collaborative innovation.

#### It's goals:

- Creating a vibrant environment of diversified entities from the creative sector and culture in order to meet market demands related to: innovation, globalization, international mobility, sharing economy and cross-innovation,
- Systematizing relations with policymakers on a regional, national and European level,
- ➤ Promoting creative sector and culture in order to include them in the strategic policy of regional development, unlocking its huge potential.



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1 Set up the cluster	50 members	Region of Sterea		ROP of Sterea Ellada
	at initiation	Ellada	3/2020	
2 Open Living Labs	4 Open Living	Region of Sterea	4/2020 –	ROP of Sterea Ellada
	Labs in first	Ellada	4/2021	
	year of			
	operation			
3 Building online	Website,	Cluster members	4/2020 –	ROP of Sterea Ellada,
presence	mobile		9/2020	Cluster members resources
	application			
	and digital			
	content			
4 Capacity building	100 people	Region of Sterea	4/2020 –	ROP of Sterea Ellada,
	utilizing	Ellada, Cluster	4/2021	Cluster members resources
	capacity	members		
	building			
	services in			
	total			
5 Innovation project	1 innovation	Cluster members	10/2020 –	External funding schemes
funded	project funded		10/2021	such as VCs, micro-loans,
				crowd-funding, business
				angels e.t.c.
				₹ Cr



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