

# **REGIONAL SWOT ANALYSIS**

Partner: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF TERRASSA





### **S**TRENGTHS

- Character dynamic sector.
- Good reputation outside of the Catalonia and Barcelona brands, in particular, of the creative sector.
- Quality professionals:
  - Professionals with good technical preparation.
  - Flexibility and adaptability to customer needs.
  - High or creativity, motivation and entrepreneurship.
- Existence of specialized schools and training programs of high quality and great demand.
- Existence of regional clusters that bring together industry, training and research.

The capacity of the sector to incorporate technological digital and innovations.

### **W**EAKNESSES

- Inadequate funding and inaccessible to public support policies.
- Little sector and inter sectorial cooperation and lack of utilization of synergies despite the existence of collaboration initiatives.
- Poor co-operation public-private as consequence of the weak coordination between the bodies involved.
- Strong entry barriers in the industry.
- Difficulties of access to the international market.
- Difficult adaptation of the professional training to the new business needs.
- The companies are mostly small size.
  Difficulties for finding channel marketing and international promotion.

#### **O**PPORTUNITIES

- The Evolution of the technology.
- Continue development of new business opportunities and market niches untapped.
- Large size of the digital content market.
- New and attractive ways to distribute content to the public.
- Creative Industry 4.0: Opportunities related to the evolution of technology: new sources of income (crowdfunding), the streaming offer, the online marketing, collaborative economy, increased demand for audiovisual products.
- Current favourable economic environment locally and globally.
- Existence of international opportunities in a global market.
- The possibility for collaborating and working in an international network.
- Trend proximity and the "hand-made" for the craft sector.

### **T**HREATS

- Unfavorable legal environment for the sector: Law patronage.
- The consequences related to the VAT rate associated with cultural products, despite repeated intentions announced by the government to amend it at the reduced rate.
- Excessive dependence on public support policies (subsidies).
- Lack of evaluation of creative work from the point of view of the consumer (low cost).
- Large global competition both emerging economies such as large-scale international companies that can lead to job insecurity, the decline of labor and the flight of talent.
- Piracy and lack of culture of payment. Violation of intellectual property ownership and lack of models for economic evaluation.
- The delay in payment.
- Rapid technological change requires a continuous and rapid adaptation for remaining competitive.
- Low valuation of the local culture.







## **FINAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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