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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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COVID-19 SPECIAL NEWSLETTER 12 - 16/12/2020

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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Labour Market & Social Scene during COVID



Creating a Post COVID New Economy

A study in how community wealth building can help deliver a shared prosperity following the Covid crisis. ['Read more'](#)



COVID Disrupts 40% of Irish Jobs

EY report that 40% of jobs in Ireland have been disrupted by the Covid-19 pandemic, either been lost or supported by government interventions, including the Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme and Pandemic Unemployment Payment. ['Read more'](#)

National Support Programmes after COVID



Technological investments COVID19

Contribute to mitigate the effects on economic and employment activity caused by the COVID-19 pandemic or other similar contingencies that may occur in the future. ['Read more'](#)



Funds for liquidity loans available now!

The funds under the liquidity loans granted by the Podkarpackie Development Fund are available to SMEs. By introducing new loans, the institution meets the expectations entrepreneurs who are strongly affected by pandemic. ['Read more'](#)

Construction Industry Resilience



SEED call for the construction industry

METABUILDING project finances cross-sectoral innovation in the construction industry cooperating with additive manufacturing, nature-based solutions, digital industry, circularity and recycling. ['Read more'](#)



The Construction Site during COVID

ART-ER, the Emilia-Romagna Joint Stock Consortium, has created an operational team with the aim of disseminating information and good practices related to the building sector to

protect and safeguard workers on construction sites during the pandemic. ['Read more'](#)

Digitalization on COVID Times



What computers & slicers have in common

SME Accelerator assists crafts businesses in daily life to get fit for future with digitization.

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Virtual flight to visit Santa

Families will soon be able to fly with Finnair to see Santa in Lapland, thanks to the magic of virtual reality (VR). From 25 December,

Finnair will offer eight 'flights' using virtual reality to visit Santa in his hometown of

Rovaniemi. ['Read more'](#)



How robots disrupt the labour market

Most new jobs created in Lithuania have an expiration date and might easily be replaced by robots, a study by ISM University of Management and Economics has found. ['Read](#)

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