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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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Business Recovery

'Look For Local' to help local recovery

A new campaign by Local Enterprise Offices is urging consumers to look local when they are shopping for products, services and experiences this summer. This as a method to help local businesses recover from the negative impact of Covid-19. 'Read more'

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Optimism & a thirst for action. That's what Upper Austrians are all about. We want to show our province, its companies & employees want to & can overcome consequences of the Corona pandemic better & faster than other regions. 'Read more'

Innovative Services

Co-designed innovative services

A project to co-design with youngsters innovative services that help them to discover the educational/professional opportunities in the ER Region and learn new methodologies (Design Thinking and Service Design) to cope with the new global scenario. 'Read more'

Greater Manchester Business Growth Hub due to launch Technology Adoption Service

The Technology Adoption Service is a brand new website platform that enables businesses to search for, discover and compare tech tools to make improvements and efficiencies in the day to day running of their business operations. 'Read more'

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Distant working at tourism centres

Covid-19 pandemic has increased remote working, so many tourist destinations have offered packages with good connections and service packages especially for those who wish to combine work and hobby at the same time. 'Read more'

Economic & Labour Market Prospect

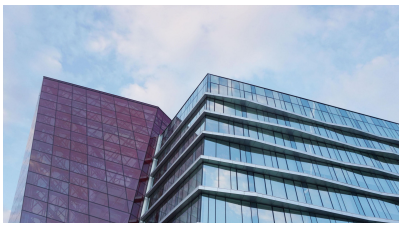
COVID-19's effects on women entrepreneurs

WOMEN IN BUSINESS project prepares a study on the effects of Covid-19 on female entrepreneurs in the Danube Region to better support them in finding solutions to overcome the negative effects of the pandemic. The Survey is open till 31 July. 'Read more'

The prospects of Lithuanian manufacturing

While Continental and Hella established production sites in Lithuania, recently Yazaki announced the closure of the plant in Lithuania. It is worth looking more closely at what determines the decisions to establish or close factories in Lithuania. 'Read more'

Technology in post Covid Times



New grants for R+D+I projects in Industry 4.0

Spanish government launches grants of up to 40 million euros for R+D projects contributing to digital transformation of industrial companies and the improvement of their environmental sustainability as a consequence of their digitalisation. 'Read more'

The future of Podkarpacie belongs to hydrogen technologies

Creation of the Carpathian Hydrogen Valley dealing with the production, supply, storage of hydrogen, hydrogen production with the use of renewable energy sources and staff training. 'Read more'

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