Project background (WHY?)

Regional authorities across Europe are aware of the challenges and issues regarding SMEs dimension. And they know the importance of the contribution that can be expected from competent cluster organisations supported by a cluster policy.

CLUSTERS3 project engages seven regional and national authorities. All of them are willing to learn and improve their practices from this project. Participation of the global TCI Network of practitioners and experts as advisory partner reveals also the interest of this issue at a larger scale.

Project objective (WHAT?)

CLUSTERS3 main objective is to improve the implementation of cluster policies and their coordination with other competitiveness related policies, in the framework of RIS3, boosting Growth and Job creation through the insertion of SMEs in Global Value Chains.

TOPICS

Design and deployment of Cluster Policy
Implement the Policy through specific support instruments & programmes
Development of Cluster Policy & Alignment with RIS3
Monitoring & Evaluation of cluster performance & cluster programmes.
Internationalisation of Cluster Organisations
Building the Capacity of Cluster Organisations
Project partners (WHO?)

1. SPRI Society for Competitive Transformation (Business Development Agency of the Basque Government) ES
2. Tecnalia Research & Innovation Foundation ES
3. Lubelskie Voivodeship PL
4. Piedmont Region IT
5. Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia LV
6. Hajdú - Bihar County Council HU
7. Highlands and Islands Enterprise UK
8. Invest Northern Ireland UK
9. TCI Network

General facts

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